

Aashish Kumar

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Prof. Kumar is a social action scholar who directs civic literacy at the Center for Civic Engagement; he is also a documentary filmmaker.

Biography

Aashish Kumar is director of civic literacy and on-campus events at Hofstra's Center for Civic Engagement and associate professor in the Department of Radio, Television, Film at the Lawrence Herbert School of Communication. He is a Fulbright scholar as well as an award-winning documentary filmmaker whose work turns a spotlight on issues such as emerging democracies, social stigmas, globalization, migration, civic engagement, and grassroots advocacy.

Industry Expertise

Motion Pictures and Film, Media Production, Media - Broadcast, Education/Learning, Non-Profit/Charitable

Areas of Expertise

Filmmaking, democratic discourse, Civic Engagement, grassroots advocacy

Education

Brooklyn College, City University of New York

MFA Television Production

Indiana State University

MS Radio/Television/Film

Delhi University

BA/MA Sociology

Accomplishments

Fulbright Specialist

Prof. Kumar was selected to be a Fulbright Specialist in communications and journalism at Durban University of Technology (DUT) in South Africa. He worked with students and faculty at DUT's arts and design school to develop a community media project and a model for a high-school documentary workshop. This was his second Fulbright award.

Fulbright Scholar

As a Fulbright Scholar, Prof. Kumar taught a documentary production course to students in the MA Communication program at the University of Hyderabad. He also did research for a documentary on reverse migration and global cities.

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