

# AMRAPALI MAITRA

## Education and Training

- 2018 – present      **Resident Physician, Internal Medicine, Brigham and Women’s Hospital  
Clinical Fellow in Medicine, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA**  
BWH-Atrius Residency Program in Primary Care and Population Medicine
- 2012 – 2018      **PhD, Anthropology, Stanford University, Stanford, CA**  
“The Work of Love: Domestic Violence and Bodily Experience in Kolkata, India.”  
Advisor: Dr. Tanya Luhrmann
- 2010 – 2018      **MD, Stanford University, School of Medicine, Stanford, CA**
- 2010      **BA History and Literature, *cum laude*, Harvard College, Cambridge, MA**  
Senior Thesis: “Madness as a Language and a Language for Madness: Readings of  
Indian Literature” (Highest Honors in Department)

## Awards and Honors

- 2019      David M. Levine Award, Johns Hopkins University Division of General Internal Medicine,  
Baltimore, MD (for outstanding research in healthcare disparities by a resident physician)
- 2019      Dunne Award, Internal Medicine, Brigham and Women’s Hospital. Boston, MA (for  
extraordinary compassionate care of patients by members of the internship class)
- 2017      Mellon Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, Stanford Humanities Center, Stanford, CA
- 2017      Clayman Institute Graduate Dissertation Fellowship, Stanford University, Stanford, CA  
(declined due to concurrent fellowship offers)
- 2015      National Science Foundation, Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant
- 2015      Wenner Gren Foundation, Dissertation Fieldwork Grant
- 2015      American Institute for Indian Studies, Rachel McDermott Junior Dissertation Fellow.
- 2015      Gold Humanism Honor Society
- 2013      Paul and Daisy Soros Fellowship for New Americans  
<<https://www.pdsoros.org/meet-the-fellows/amrapali-maitra>>
- 2013      Bernard Siegel Memorial Prize for Excellence in Written Expression, Department of  
Anthropology, Stanford University, Stanford, CA.
- 2012      Best Speaker, Transcending Borders in Global Health, University of Western Ontario,  
London, ON, Canada.
- 2012      Best Poster, Parikh Memorial Symposium for Health and Justice, University of Michigan,  
Ann Arbor, MI.
- 2012      First Runner-Up, Medicine and the Muse Global Health Essay Competition, Stanford  
University, Stanford, CA. Judged by Dr. Sheri Fink, Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *Five  
Days at Memorial*.
- 2012 – 2018      Medical Scientist Training Program (MSTP), Stanford University, Stanford, CA.

2009 Oliver Dabney Junior Essay Prize, Department of History and Literature, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.

## Publications

### *Peer-Reviewed Publications*

Brown-Johnson CG, Schwartz R, **Maitra A** et al. What is Clinician Presence? A qualitative interview study comparing physician and non-physician insights about practices of human connection. *BMJ Open* 2019; 9: e030831.

**Maitra A.** Going Home. *JAMA*. 2019;321(21):2075–2076.

**Maitra, A** and Freniere A. Reviewed by Rittenberg E. MGH PCOI (Primary Care office Insight): Trauma-Informed Care. 2019. (Guideline)

Schwartz R, Haverfield MC, Brown-Johnson CG, **Maitra A**, Tierney A, Bharadwaj S, Shaw JG, Azimpour F, Israni ST, Verghese A, Zulman DM. Transdisciplinary Strategies for Physician Wellness: Qualitative Insights from Diverse Fields. *Journal of General Internal Medicine*. 2019 Apr 29:1-7.

Venkataramani R, **Maitra A**, Hennessey E, Rizvi A. 547: Rare Neurological Presentation of Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome Implications of Eculizumab Therapy. *Critical Care Medicine*. 2018 Jan 1;46(1):258. (Abstract)

### *Peer-Reviewed Audio Publications*

**Maitra A**, Lawton A, Nakagawa S, and Trivedi S. Inpatient Goals of Care During COVID-19. *Core IM podcast*. April 22, 2020. Impact: 19,044 downloads (as of July 28, 2020). <<https://www.coreimpodcast.com/2020/04/22/goc-on-inpatient-service-during-covid-19/>>

Al-Mondhiry J, **Maitra A**, and Robertson M. Outpatient Advance Care Planning During COVID-19. *Core IM podcast*. May 6, 2020. Impact: 19,050 downloads (as of July 24, 2020). <<https://www.coreimpodcast.com/2020/05/06/outpatient-advanced-care-planning-during-covid-19/>>

### *Magazine and Media Publications*

**Maitra A.** The First Nerve. *The Yale Review*. 21 July 2020. <<https://yalereview.yale.edu/first-nerve>>

**Maitra A** and Savage-Borne J. Intimate Partner Violence During Covid-19—Expanding Our Understanding of Safety. *BMJ Opinion*. July 1, 2020. <<https://blogs.bmj.com/bmj/2020/07/01/intimate-partner-violence-during-covid-19-expanding-our-understanding-of-safety/>>

**Maitra A.** Our Lives During the Pandemic. *Boston Globe*. 29 May 2020. <<https://www.bostonglobe.com/2020/05/29/lifestyle/our-lives-during-pandemic/>>

**Maitra A.** Through the Looking Glass. *McSweeney's Internet Tendency*. 7 May 2020. <<https://www.mcsweeneys.net/articles/through-the-looking-glass>>

Kidia K and **Maitra A.** Connecting Through PPE: Patient Communication During COVID-19. 13 May 2020. *KevinMD.com* <<https://www.kevinmd.com/blog/2020/05/connecting-through-ppe-patient-communication-during-covid-19.html>>

**Maitra A.** Care at a Distance. *AAMC Insights*. 29 April 2020.  
<<https://www.aamc.org/news-insights/care-distance>>

**Maitra A.** In Kolkata, This Survivor of Domestic Violence Sought Justice—Through the Restoration of Her Property. *Catapult*. 5 June 2019. <<https://catapult.co/stories/in-kolkata-this-survivor-of-domestic-violence-sought-justicethrough-the-restoration-of-her-property>>

**Maitra A.** Contributor to Stanford Medical School's *Scope*, February 2015 – June 2016.  
<<https://scopeblog.stanford.edu/author/amrapalimaitra/>>

**Maitra A.** The Quietest Thing. *Intima: A Journal of Narrative Medicine*, Fall 2013.

#### *Peer-Reviewed Poster Presentations*

Venkat R, **Maitra A**, and Hennessey E. Rare Neurologic Presentation of Hemolytic Uremic Syndrome: Implications of Eculizumab Therapy. Poster presented at: Society for Critical Care Medicine Meeting; February 26, 2018; San Antonio, TX.

**Maitra A**, Jayaraman T, Jowell A, Zhou B, Barry M. An Interdisciplinary Approach to Gender in an Indian Megacity. Poster presented at: 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Stanford Global Health Research Convening; February 9, 2018; Stanford, CA.

Schwartz R, Johnson C, Haverfield M, Tierney A, Bharadwaj S, Zions D, Romero I, Piccininni G, Shaw J, Safaeinilli N, **Maitra A**, Thadaney S, Azimpour F, Verghese A, and Zulman D. Fostering Patient-Provider Connection During Clinical Encounters: Insights from Non-Medical Professionals. Poster presented at: Society for General Internal Medicine Regional Meeting California-Hawaii; January 20, 2018; Stanford, CA.

**Maitra A**, Mandyam M, and Ahuja N. Scleroderma Renal Crisis. Poster presented at: American College of Physicians, California Regional Meeting; October 18, 2015; Monterey, CA.

**Maitra A.** Screening for Violence Against Women. Poster presented at: Asian Pacific American Medical Students Association (APAMSA) Conference; October 15, 2011; Stanford University, Stanford, CA.

#### **Conference Presentations**

##### *Accepted Talks*

**Maitra A.** Clinical Proximities: Hearing Stories of Domestic Violence Through the Stomach. Paper presented at: American Anthropological Association (AAA) Annual Meeting; November 16, 2018; San Jose, CA.

**Maitra A.** The Limit Case: Abused Women Workers Who Never Leave. Paper presented at: Society for Applied Anthropology Annual Meeting; April 4, 2018; Philadelphia, PA

**Maitra A.** Violence, Temporality, and Layers of Harm: Broadening the Lens on Domestic Violence. Paper presented at: American Anthropological Association (AAA) Annual Meeting; November 30, 2017; Washington, D.C. Panel co-organizer.

**Maitra A.** Problematizing Visibility: Gender and Violence. Paper presented at: Annual Conference on South Asia; October 27, 2017; University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI. Panel co-organizer.

**Maitra A.** Weary Bodies, Labor, and Domestic Violence in Kolkata. Paper presented at: American Ethnological Society Annual Meeting; April 1, 2017; Stanford University, Stanford, CA.

**Maitra A.** Care and Domestic Violence in Kolkata, India. Paper presented at: Society for Psychological Anthropology Annual Meeting; March 10, 2017; New Orleans, LA.

**Maitra A.** “When Will I Go Home?”: Care and Violence in an Indian Women’s Shelter. Paper presented at: National Conference for Physician Scholars in the Social Sciences and Humanities; April 18, 2015; University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA.

**Maitra A.** Critiques of Home and Aesthetics of Complaint at a Women’s Shelter in Kolkata. Paper presented at: South Asia by the Bay Conference; May 2, 2014; University of California at Santa Cruz; Santa Cruz; CA.

**Maitra A.** Fantasies of Family, Narratives of Dissent: Mental Illness and Domestic Violence at a Homeless Shelter in Kolkata, India. Paper presented at: American Anthropological Association (AAA) Annual Meeting; November 22, 2013; Chicago, IL.

**Maitra A.** Screening for Domestic Violence. Presented at: Transcending Borders Towards Global Health; April 27, 2012; University of Western Ontario, London, Ontario, Canada.

**Maitra A.** Women’s Perspectives Toward Screening for Domestic Violence. Presented at: Sujal Parikh Memorial Symposium for Health and Social Justice; March 24, 2012; University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

*Invited Talks*

**Maitra A** and Savage-Borne J. Intimate Partner Violence. Presented at: PINK Concussions Partner-Inflicted Brain Injury Task Force; July 28, 2020; virtual monthly meeting. <[www.pinkconcussions.com](http://www.pinkconcussions.com)>

**Maitra A.** Domestic Violence in Kolkata, India: Patterns, Perpetrators, and Idioms of Distress. Presented at: Johns Hopkins General Internal Medicine Grand Rounds; December 13, 2019; Johns Hopkins, Baltimore, MD.

**Maitra A** and Savage-Borne J. Intimate Partner Violence. Presented at: Brigham and Women’s Hospital Internal Medicine Residency Noon Conference; November 20, 2019; Brigham and Women’s Hospital, Boston, MA.

**Maitra A.** Presence: A Literature Review. Presented at: Presence Group Meeting; June 28, 2017; Stanford Medical School, Stanford, CA.

**Maitra A.** Screening for Domestic Violence in Dhaka, Bangladesh. Presented at: Physicians for Human Rights Lecture Series; May 8, 2012; Stanford Medical School, Stanford, CA.

**Maitra A.** Violence Against Women. Presented at: Medical Grand Rounds; August 18, 2011; ICDDR,B Centre Scientific Forum, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

## Research Experience

- 2019 – present      **Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Harvard Global Health Institute**  
Scholar of gender-based violence and women’s health in South Asia. Working on a book about domestic violence in India, including cultural differences in patterns of violence, the role of family arrangements, and clinical narratives of abuse.
- 2019 – present      **Interruptions Project, Brigham and Women’s Hospital**  
Along with Dr. Maria Yialamas, leading a study of gender-based communication dynamics during medicine rounds and teaching conferences, such as number of interruptions, to correlate with measures of resident burnout and wellness.
- 2017 – 2018        **Presence-Biomedical Ontology Fellowship, Stanford Medical School**  
Worked with Dr. Abraham Verghese and Dr. Mark Musen to develop an ontology for *presence*, a classification of components of clinical encounters that promote healing and increase patient and provider satisfaction. Manuscript in process.
- 2012 – 2018        **Anthropology Doctoral Research, Stanford University**  
Conducted independent dissertation research on domestic violence, care, and family life in Kolkata, India, with focus on the social context of healthcare in slums and on bodily experience. Ethnographic methods included participant observation, focus groups, interviews, clinical ethnography, and qualitative data analysis (*N.Vivo*, *Dedoose*). Currently writing a book based on these findings about how women’s experiences of domestic violence in India differ from the US in important ways.
- Summer 2011        **Medical Scholars Research Program, Stanford Medical School**  
Designed and conducted a mixed-methods study on attitudes toward screening for domestic violence among slum-dwelling women in Dhaka, Bangladesh. Research revealed that >85% of female patients in this cultural context favored screening for domestic violence by their doctors.
- Summer 2009        **Cultural Competency, Project HEALTH, Harlem Hospital, NYC**  
Researched and implemented a cultural competency curriculum for Project HEALTH hospital volunteers providing resources to low-income patients in Harlem Hospital. Led group reflections on service learning in public health.

## Professional Activities

- 2019 – 2020        **Co-Chair, COVID-19 Wellness Committee, Brigham and Women’s Hospital**  
Led the residency wellness committee initiated during the COVID-19 pandemic to identify challenges to personal and professional wellness and support residents through the development of virtual wellness initiatives. Piloted and facilitated a weekly resident-led virtual debrief group and developed a peer support proposal.
- 2019 – 2020        **Master Clinician Committee, Brigham and Women’s Hospital**  
Member of a resident committee tasked with developing a noon conference series featuring master clinicians from different Internal Medicine subspecialties.
- 2017 – 2018        **Core Programming Committee, Center for South Asia, Stanford University**  
Graduate student member serving on committee to develop academic programs related to research interests in South Asia on Stanford’s campus and beyond it.

- 2017 – 2018      **Fellow, Graduate Voice and Influence Program, Stanford Clayman Institute**  
Selected as a fellow in cohort of 25 women doctoral students across Stanford to foster interdisciplinary engagement, participate in career mentorship, and learn strategies to increase influence of women and minorities in academic discourse.
- 2015 – 2018      **Steering Committee, Medicine and the Muse, Stanford Medical School** Graduate student member on committee promoting arts, humanities, and medicine at Stanford and in the local community.
- 2014 – 2015      **Student Member, Admissions Committee, Stanford Medical School**  
One of two student voting members in faculty committee that reviews all applications and selects incoming medical school class.
- 2011 – 2012      **Manager, Arbor Free Clinic, Stanford University School of Medicine.** Managed operations of student-run, safety-net clinic in Menlo Park VA Hospital. Supervised transition to electronic medical records; developed programs for physician recruitment and cultural competency.
- Summer 2008      **Intern, Support for International Change, Arusha, Tanzania.**  
Developed HIV/AIDS awareness campaigns in rural Tanzania; ran education programs in Magugu ward and organized HIV testing at local health fairs.
- 2008 – 2009      **Director, Room 13, Mental Health Services, Harvard University.**  
Supervised peer counseling group providing in-person and phone-based confidential counseling daily from 7PM-7AM on issues including academic stress, sexual assault, and suicide on Harvard's undergraduate campus.

### Teaching Experience

- Spring 2014      **Teaching Assistant, Intro to Medical Anthropology, Stanford University**  
Worked with Dr. Matthew Kohrman on ANTHRO 82 undergraduate course. Independently taught two weekly discussion sections (total 45 students) for course with focus on cultures of biomedicine, gender, sexuality, and the body.
- 2011 – 2012      **Teaching Assistant, Practice of Medicine, Stanford Medical School**  
Worked 12 hours/week with faculty to teach first-year medical students the clinical skills curriculum, including communication, medical and psychiatric interview, physical exam, empathy, and challenging patient scenarios.

### Skills and Activities

40-Hour Trained Domestic Violence Advocate, Maitri (Bay Area Women's Shelter)  
Indian Classical Dance (Bharatanatyam and Kuchipudi)  
Fluent Bengali, Intermediate French, Beginner Spanish, Beginner Hindi