

I graduated in Commerce with Honours in Accounting in 1996 from St. Xavier's College in Calcutta, which is one of the premier colleges in India. Then I did an MBA from the Institute of Business Management affiliated to Jadavpur University which is a premier Indian University and secured a First Class along with a standing amongst the top five students of the graduating class of 1999. I came to Australia in 2000 and joined Bond University on the Gold Coast on a Dean's merit tuition scholarship as a postgraduate student in Information Technology. I subsequently moved over to the Business School and completed a Master of Commerce (part coursework – part thesis) with an overall Distinction in the coursework component. I published my first research article in a peer-reviewed academic journal while pursuing my Master of Commerce degree which came out of my Masters thesis. I was encouraged to take on PhD studies by my respected supervisor Dr. Kuldeep Kumar who is a stalwart in the field of Statistics and Computational Mathematics. I won a prestigious and highly competitive Postgraduate Fellowship jointly funded by the Schools of Business and Information Technology in October 2001 and completed all formalities for award of a PhD in Information Technology in 2004. I worked thereafter for about a year as a lecturer in the School of Accounting, Economics and Finance at Deakin University (Geelong campus) before moving to the USA to take over as the Program Director of MBA-Global Finance at Alaska Pacific University. After spending some three years in the USA, I returned to Australia in 2008 to join as a Research Fellow in the UQ-KPMG Centre for Business Forensics, UQ Business School, The University of Queensland before accepting my current position as a Senior Lecturer in the Deakin Business School from July, 2009. I presently live in Melbourne with my wife who works as a Research Scientist at CSL Limited. Our parents live in Calcutta, India. We have settled in Australia and I formally acquired Australian citizenship on 2nd March, 2010.