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Domains of Research and Academic Interest:

Political History, Political Economy, International Studies, Human Rights, Marxism, Social Democracy, Post-Soviet Studies, European Studies, Indian Politics, and Cultural Studies.

Currently I am working on the Influence of Soviet Union and the Development of Socialist Movements in Kerala, India.

Scholarships: Received Erasmus+ Scholarship of European Union in 2019, Erasmus+ student to Kaunas University of Technology (KTU), Lithuania (January to June 2019).

Higher Education:

2016-2022 **PhD** in Political Science from the Centre for Russian and Central Asian Studies (CRCAS), School of International Studies (SIS), Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi (awarded in February 2023).

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2014-2016 **MPhil**in Political Science from the Centre for Russian and Central Asian Studies (CRCAS), School of International Studies (SIS), Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), New Delhi (awarded in March 2017).

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2011 - 2013 MA Political Science, Kerala University Campus, Karyavattam, Trivandrum, Kerala.

2007 - 2010 **BA**Political Science, Maharajas College, Ernakulam, Kerala.

Countries Visited: Russia, Finland, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Czech Republic, Germany, Greece, Italy, Vatican, Netherlands, and France.

Academic Visits:

- International Institute of Social History (IISH), Amsterdam, Netherlands
- Leibniz-Zentrum Moderner Orient (ZMO), Berlin, Germany
- National Centre for Scientific Research (CNRS), Paris, France
- University of Gdansk, Gdansk, Poland
- Vilnius University, Vilnius, Lithuania
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Paper Presentations

- University of Gdansk, Poland, topic: "Non-violent Political Movement and National Liberation: The Role of Gandhism in the *Sajudis* Movement in Lithuania", Conference on Baltic Studies in Europe, June 2019.
- Institute of Asian and Trans-Cultural Studies, Vilnius University, Lithuania, topic: "Soviet Influence on the Ideological and Cultural Imaginations in India: A Case Study of Kerala", South Asia Research Seminar, May 2019.
- European Union Project with Bukim Pazjstami (NGO), Lithuania, Lectures on "Indian Cultural Diversities" to 5 educational institutes of Lithuania – Kyabartai, Jurbakas, Taurage, Pagegiai Gymnasiums, Marijampole College, and Sakiai Third Age University, May 2019.
- Science and the City, Faculty of Social Sciences, Kaunas University of Technology, Kaunas,
 Lithuania, topic: "Non Violent Political Struggle for Freedom: Lithuania's Sajudis Movement
 and India's Gandhism.", February 2019.
- The 19th World Festival of Youth and Students by World Federation of Democratic Youth (WFDY), Sochi, Russia,October 2017.

- Special Section of Kerala History Congress, MG University, topic: "Higher Education in India: Crisis and Crossroads", January 2020.
- Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) and Centre for European Studies, JNU, topic: "Non-Violent Political Movement and National Liberation in Lithuania and India: Role of Gandhism in a Comparative Perspective", the conference on Celebrating 100 Years of Baltic Independence: Baltic Nationalism, Historical Evolution, Current Challenges and the Way Forward, November 2018.
- Jean Monnet Chair in European Economic Integration and Energy Security and Centre for Russian and Central Asian Studies, JNU, topic: "Indian Philosophical and Cultural Influences in Baltic States", International Research Scholar's Seminar, January 2019.
- Russian Science &Cultural Centre, Kerala History Congress and Government College for Women, Trivandrum, topic: "Russian Political Influence in Malayalam Literature: A Historical Perspective", the conference on Russian Literature in Kerala History and Malayalam Literature, December 2019.
- Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia, International Online Winter School on Sustainability of Political Systems in Eurasia, Faculty of Political Science, December 2020.
- Department of Malayalam, the University of Kerala "Soviet Ideological Influence in the Early Modern Malayalam Literature and Arts", March 2021.
- Department of Political Science, University of Kerala, topic: "China in Russia", International Webinar on Mapping China's Rise: Regional Assessments, Department of Political Science, University of Kerala, January 2022.

Academic Publications

- Pushkaran, Amal Pullarkkattu and Olnidian, AkhilBharathan. (2023), "Populism and Persistence of Religion", in Joseph Chacko Chennattuserry, Madhumati Deshpande and Paul Hong (eds.), Encyclopaedia of New Populism and Responses in the 21st Century, Berlin: Springer -Forthcoming.
- Pushkaran, Amal Pullarkkattu (2021), "Book Review K.B. Usha (Ed.), Nation Building in the Baltic States: History, Memory and Identity, New Delhi: Adroit Publishers, 2018, pp. xiv-236, ISBN: 978-81-87393-42-9, US\$45 (Hard Cover)", International Studies Sage, 58 (1): 122-23, URL: https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/pdf/10.1177/0020881720984671.

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 A Historical Analysis", Indian Journal of Politics and International Relations (IJPAIR MG University), 13 (2): 188-205.
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- Pushkaran, Amal Pullarkkattu (2022), "The Historical Relations of the Russia-Ukraine War",
 VijnanaKairali Kerala Bhasha Institute, 54 (5): 40-51.
- Pushkaran, Amal Pullarkkattu (2023), Amber Shores and Baltic Tales: A Travel Sketch of post-Soviet
 Lands and People Travelogue, Kottayam: SPCS Forthcoming.
- Pushkaran, Amal Pullarkkattu (2023), "C. Keshavan: On the Life and Contributions of a Radical from the Margins", Malayalam Literary Survey – Kerala Sahitya Akademi, 43 (1): 97-109.

Journal Reviewer:

• Cogent Social Sciences, Taylor & Francis.

Work Experience

- Research assistant at Media and Parliamentary Studies, Kerala Legislative Assembly (currently working).
- Research assistant at Muziris Heritage Projects, Department of Tourism, Government of Kerala (August to December 2019)
- Research assistant at Speaking Tiger Publishing House, New Delhi (June to September 2018)
- The organizer of the Annual International Studies Convention, 22-23 March 2015 titled
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