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A. Education: Sura Rath holds a Ph.D. in English from Texas A&M University, two Master's degrees from Tulane University and Utkal University, and a Bachelor's degree from Ravenshaw College.

B. Administrative Experience: He serves as the Director of the University College (2010-) at UNT-Dallas. Prior to coming here, he served as Director of The William O. Douglas Honors College (DHC) at Central Washington University, 2003-2006; as President of the Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association, 2003-05 and 2008-10; as Director of the LSUS India Studies Program, 1994-03, as Chair of the LSUS Department of English, 1992-97, as Assistant to the Provost, LSU-Shreveport, 1988-92; and as English Placement Coordinator, Texas A&M University, 1983-85

C. Teaching Experience: Rath has taught graduate and undergraduate courses in American Literature and Culture, literary theory and criticism, rhetoric and composition, and ESL at Central Washington University, LSU-Shreveport, Texas A&M University, Loyola University, Tulane University, and Newcomb College. In addition, he has served as a visiting professor at Stockholm University and at the Center for Contemporary Theory (India), and as a Fulbright Senior Lecturer at Ravenshaw College (India). He was a Regents Professor of India Studies at LSU-Shreveport.

D. Editorial experience: He has edited nine books, and serves as co-editor of an international journal, *Journal of Contemporary Thought* (1994-). In addition, he serves on the editorial board of *The Flannery O'Connor Review* (Georgia College & State University), 1996-present.

E. Research Supervision: Rath has served as External Examiner for twenty doctoral dissertations from universities in India; directed three master's theses in Liberal Studies at LSUS and two at Central Washington University; and served on the advisory committee annually for 8-10 honors theses for three years at the William O. Douglas Honors College.

F. Work in Progress: Rath has two works in progress--V. S. Naipaul: The Exile's Return

G. Professional Membership: He is a member of the American Literature Association, Regional MLAs: SAMLA, SCMLA, NEMLA, RMMLA; Society for the Study of Southern Literature; Flannery O'Connor Society (President, 1992-2003), and Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society

Publications :. Rath has edited ten books—*Rotations of Unending Time: Selected Poems of Sitakant Mahapatra* (2012), *Space and Spatiality: Public Space, Private Space, Hybrid Third Space*, a collection of essays published as a special issue of the *Journal of Contemporary Thought* (Summer, 2011), *Abraham Lincoln without Borders: Lincoln's Legacy Outside the United States* (2010); *Humanities in the Twenty-first Century*, a collection of essays published as a special issue of the *Journal of Contemporary Thought*. Summer 2009; *Dialogics of Cultural Encounters: Nations and Nationalities in Periods of Conflict* (2009); *U. R. Anantha Murthy's* Samskara: *A Critical Reader* (2008); *Reflections on Literature, Criticism and Theory* (2006); *Theory and Praxis: Curriculum, Culture, and English Studies* (2004); *Sitakant Mahapatra: The Mythographer of Time* (2001); *Flannery O'Connor: New Perspectives* 1996).

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