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Thaatchaayini's research interests are generally in Law & Society scholarship or sociolegal studies, and specifically in the areas of law and social movements, as well as law and race/ethnicity. Her research focus is in investigating whether the law matters in racial identity construction, and to what extent the law is useful as a mobilizing tool and political strategy by aggrieved collectives or groups. Thaatchaayini uses qualitative methodology and takes an empirical approach to analyse how the law operates in contentious politics and society.

Teaching Experience: Been teaching law subjects for undergraduates since 2006. Subjects taught include Equity & Trust, International Law, Media Law, Malaysian Constitutional Law, Business Law, Introduction to Law, and Law & Society. Have also taught non-law subjects such as Communications Policy and Global Cities.

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Publications:

Book chapter entitled 'The Marginalization of Indians in Post-Colonial Malaysia' in a forthcoming publication, edited by Professor James Chin and Dr. Wong Chin Huat (Monash University, 2015).

Book chapter entitled 'A Sociolegal Study of the Indian Minority in Malaysia' in a forthcoming publication, edited by Denison Jayasooria and Professor K.S. Nathan (Institute of Ethnic Studies (KITA), Universiti Kebangsaan Malaysia, 2015).

Reviewed a PhD dissertation by Lynette Chua on the 'Legal Mobilization of Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transsexual and Queer (LGBTQ) groups in Singapore' at *Dissertation Reviews*, 23rd October 2012.

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