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## **RESEARCH ACHIEVEMENTS/**

**EXPERIENCE** :My research includes experience with fan studies with a special focus on the dissemination of popular cultural artefacts across South Asia with special emphasis on fans of the Boys Love (BL) genre and its connection with LGBTQ+ experience and issues. This is an area that I have published on and that I hope to carry on more detailed research on in the future, focusing then on how fan practices develop and transform between cultural spaces and identities. Further I am interested in Digital Humanities, in particular game studies and the construction of lore and spaces in games.