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EDUCATION

- 2024 **Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)**
Anthropology and Environmental Policy
University of Maine, Orono, ME
Dissertation: *Reframing Adaptation: A Multilevel Analysis of Collective Action, Power, and Politics of Climate Change Adaptation in one of the World's Most Climate Vulnerable Regions, Karnali Nepal*
Committee: Drs. Cindy Isenhour (Advisor), Paul Mayewski, Christine Beitzl, Prem Neupane, Sandra de Urioste-Stone
- 2020 **Masters of Arts (M.A.)**
Anthropology and Environmental Policy
University of Maine, Orono, ME
- 2021 **Graduate Certificate**
Interdisciplinary Climate Studies
Climate Change Institute
University of Maine, Orono, ME
- 2016 **Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in Forestry**
Institute of Forestry, Tribhuvan University, Nepal
Thesis: *Assessment of conservation threats and habitat management of Chinese pangolin (Manis pentadactyla) in Balthali Kavre, Nepal.*
- 2012 **Technical Certificate (ISc.) in Forestry**
Institute of Forestry, Tribhuvan University, Nepal

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

- August 2025- Current **Assistant Professor**
School of Politics, Security, and International Affairs
University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL
- Sept 2024- July 2025 **Postdoctoral Scholar**
School of Public Administration
Resilient, Intelligent and Sustainable Energy Systems (RISES) Center
University of Central Florida, Orlando, FL
- June 2023- Aug 2024 **Graduate Research Assistant**
Margaret Chase Smith Policy Center (MCSPC)
University of Maine, Orono, ME

2018–2022

Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant

Department of Anthropology
University of Maine, Orono, ME

2017–2018

District Climate Change Specialist

Adaptation for Smallholders in Hilly Areas of Nepal
Ministry of Forests and Environment, Nepal

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

[Google Scholars](#)

1. **Acharya, S.** (2025). Unintended Consequences: The Erosion of Traditional Collective Action and Social Capital by Externally Imposed Climate Adaptation Programs. *Environmental Science & Policy*, 171, 104167. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.envsci.2025.104167>
2. Dhungana, N., Lee, C. H., & **Acharya, S.** (2025). Adaptive watershed management in a changing climate: an importance-performance analysis of user perspectives in central Nepal. *Journal of Water and Climate Change*, jwc2025067. <https://doi.org/10.2166/wcc.2025.067>
3. Kc, N., Chhetri, V. T., Bhattarai, S., Subedi, S., Karki, M., Bhandari, B., ... & **Acharya, S.** (2023). Climate change knowledge among community school students in Sindhuli district of Central Nepal. *Banko Janakari*, Nepal. <https://doi.org/10.3126/banko.v33i1.49013>
4. Ranabhat, S., **Acharya, S.**, Upadhaya, S., Adhikari, B., Thapa, R., Ranabhat, S., & Gautam, D. R. (2023). Climate change impacts and adaptation strategies in watershed areas in mid-hills of Nepal. *Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences*, 1-13. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s13412-023-00817-w>
5. Subedi, P. B., Ojha, P., Adhikari, A., **Acharya, S.**, & Acharya, S. (2022). Mapping of Major Land Use Land Cover Dynamics and Its Driving Factors: A Case Study of Nepalgunj Sub-Metropolitan City, Banke, Nepal. *Indonesian Journal of Social and Environmental Issues (IJSEI)*, 3(1), 67-80. <https://doi.org/10.47540/ijsei.v3i1.468>
6. **Acharya, S.** (2021) Roles of Renewable Energy Technologies in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation: A Brief Review from Nepal. *Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews*, 151 (2021): 111524. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.rser.2021.111524> (Impact Factor 16)
7. Adhikari, D., Prasai, R., Lamichhane, S., Gautam, D., Sharma, S., & **Acharya, S.** (2021). Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation Strategies in Trans-Himalaya Region of Nepal. *Journal of Forest and Livelihood*, 20(1). <https://doi.org/10.3126/jfl.v20i1.59631>
8. Poudyal, B., Upadhaya, S., **Acharya, S.**, & Khanal Chhetri, B. B. (2021). Assessing Socio-Economic Factors Affecting the Implementation of Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES) Mechanism. *World*, 2(1), 81-91. <https://doi.org/10.3390/world2010006>
9. **Acharya, S.**, Sharma, H.P., Bhattarai, R., Poudyal, B., Sharma, S., & Upadhaya, S. (2021) Distribution and Habitat Preference of Chinese Pangolin (*Manis pentadactyla*) in Mid-Hills of Nepal. *Journal of Threatened Taxa*, 13(8), 18959-18966. <https://doi.org/10.11609/jott.3952.13.8.18959-18966>
10. Sharma, H. P., Rimal, B., Zhang, M., Sharma, S., Poudyal, L. P., Maharjan, S., Kunwar, R., Kaspal, P., Bhandari, N., Baral, L., Dhakal, S., Tripathi, A., Karki, N., Khadki, B., Thapa, P., Acharya, B. K., **Acharya, S.**, Baral, K., & Katuwal, H. B. (2020). Potential Distribution of the Critically Endangered Chinese Pangolin (*Manis pentadactyla*) in Different Land Covers of Nepal: Implications for Conservation. *Sustainability*, 12(3),

1282. <https://doi.org/10.3390/su12031282>
11. Lamichhane, S., Aryal, C.M., Karki, J., & **Acharya, S.** (2020) Natural and Anthropogenic Correlates of Habitat Use of Wild Ungulates in Shuklaphanta National Park, Nepal. *Global Ecology and Conservation*. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.gecco.2020.e01338>
 12. Ghimire, P., Raut, N., Khanal, P., **Acharya, S.**, & Upadhaya, S. (2020) Species in peril: Assessing the status of Pangolin trade in Nepal. *Journal of Threatened Taxa*. <https://doi.org/10.11609/jott.5698.12.8.15776-15783>
 13. Bhattarai, R., Sharma, P., Wagle, B., Adhikari, A., & **Acharya, S.** (2020) Revision and Compilation of Health Management Plan of Khair (Acacia catechu). *Grassroots Journal of Natural Resources*. <https://doi.org/10.33002/nr2581.6853.03012>
 14. Khanal, P., Wagle, B. H., Upadhaya, S., Ghimire, P., & **Acharya, S.** (2019). Perceived Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation Strategy of Indigenous Community (Chepang) in Rural Mid-hills of Nepal. *Forestry: Journal of Institute of Forestry, Nepal*. <https://doi.org/10.3126/forestry.v16i0.28353>
 15. **Acharya, S.**, Rayamajhi, S., Sharma, S., Upadhaya, S., Joshi, S., & Lamichhane, S. (2018). Anthropogenic Threats to Survival of the Critically Endangered Chinese Pangolins (*Manis pentadactyla*) and their Habitat in Kavrepalanchowk. *Journal of Biodiversity & Endangered Species* 6:3 <https://doi.org/10.4172/2332-2543.1000218>
 16. Sharma, S., & **Acharya, S.** (2018). Human-Rhesus macaque conflict at Pumdivumdi/ Tallokodi, Pokhara, West Nepal. *Banko Janakari*, 27(2), 46-50. <https://doi.org/10.3126/banko.v27i2.21222>

JOURNAL ARTICLES IN PROGRESS

1. **Acharya, S.** (2025). Expanding the Concept of Differential Vulnerability: Lessons from one of the World's Most Climate Vulnerable Regions, Karnali Nepal. (**Under Review in Climatic Change**)
2. **Acharya, S.** (2025). The Politics of Climate Adaptation: Authority, Knowledge, and Resource Inequality in Nepal's Multi-level Climate Governance Framework. (**Under Review in World Development**)
3. Entress, B., Stevens, K., & **Acharya, S.** (2025). Strengthening Resilience: Florida Resident Voices on Resource Needs During Power Outages. (**Submitted to the Public Administration Quarterly**)
4. Pandey, S., **Acharya, S.**, Bandari, S., & Running, K. (2025). Evaluating the effectiveness of Local Adaptation Plans of Action (LAPAs) in reducing climate change vulnerability using the Livelihood Vulnerability Index: A case from western Nepal. (**Submitted to the Journal of Rural Studies**)

BOOKS & BOOK CHAPTERS

1. **Acharya, S.** (2023). Reviving Chinese Pangolin Conversation: A Brief Knowledge Sharing. In *Endangered Species- Present Status*. IntechOpen. <https://doi.org/10.5772/intechopen.113118>

BLOGS & OUTREACH

1. Acharya, A., & **Acharya, S.** (2025). Our Appeal to Young Climate Activists. <https://aacharyaaaditya.wordpress.com/2025/04/29/appeal-to-young-climate-activists/>
2. **Acharya, S.** (2023). Renewables and Climate Change in Nepal. The Kathmandu Post.

<https://kathmandupost.com/columns/2023/03/18/renewables-and-climate-change-in-nepal>

3. Acharya, S. (2014). Introduction to pangolins in Nepal. Bimba, 20, 69-71. Institute of Forestry, Pokhara, Nepal.
4. Acharya, S. (2015). Pains of Pangolin. The Kathmandu Post
<http://kathmandupost.ekantipur.com/printedition/news/2015-02-21/pains-of-the-pangolin.html>
5. Acharya, S. Radio interviews highlighting the status and need of biodiversity conservation in Nepal in several districts of Nepal.
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=v6E1yNUtbTM>
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u2ULUqaYSsE&t=494s>

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

2025 (Fall)	University of Central Florida, Orlando Assistant Professor POS 6736: Conduct of Political Inquiry and INR 6356: Environmental Security
2025 (Spring)	University of Central Florida, Orlando Teaching Assistant PAD 5887: Energy Policy and PAD 4351: Issues in Environmental Programs <i>Lectured, mentored students, led class discussion, and graded assignments in energy policy and environmental topics.</i>
2022 (Nov-Dec)	University of Maine, Orono Instructor, ANT400 <i>Basic Social Theory in Cultural Anthropology</i> <i>Lectured, mentored students, led class discussion, and graded assignments on classic and contemporary social theories management.</i>
2022-2023	University of Maine, Orono Teaching Assistant, PHY 122 <i>Physics for Engineers and Physical Scientists</i> (3 sections) FA 2022 and SP 2023 <i>Lectured, mentored students, graded lab reports, proctored exams, and supported students in regular office hour.</i>
2020–2021	University of Maine, Orono Teaching Assistant, ANT101 <i>Human Origins and Prehistory</i> (2 sections), FA 2020 Teaching Assistant, ANT102 <i>Introduction to Cultural Anthropology: Diversity of Cultures</i> (2 sections), SP 2021 <i>Lectured, mentored students, proctored exams, and supported students in regular office hours.</i>
2019–2020	University of Maine, Orono

Teaching Assistant, ANT101 *Human Origins and Prehistory*
(2 sections), FA|2019
Teaching Assistant, ANT102 *Introduction to Cultural Anthropology: Diversity of Cultures* (2 sections), SP|2020
Lectured, mentored students, proctored exams, and supported students in regular office hours.

- 2018-2019** **University of Maine, Orono**
Teaching Assistant, PHY 122 *Physics for Engineers and Physical Scientists* (3 sections) FA|2018 and SP|2019
Lectured, mentored students, graded lab reports, proctored exams, and supported students in regular office hour.
- 2010-2015** **Self-Help Environmental Awareness Camp, Pokhara, Nepal**
Coordinated and lectured school level teaching on environment, climate change, wildlife, and forestry.
Assist informal classes to women's groups, farmer's groups and public in lecturing about environment, forestry, and climate change issues.
- 2016** **Kabhre Secondary School, Panauti, Nepal**
Taught environmental education course to students of grades 9 and 10.

GRANTS

1. Conserving the Chinese Pangolin: Navigating Natural and Human-Induced Threats through an Anthropological Approach to Habitat and Population Protection. Rufford Small Grant for Nature Conservation. 2023-2024. **PI** (\$8,900). (Not funded)
2. Conflict in Paradise: Balancing Conservation and Cordyceps-Based Livelihoods in the Himalayas. Rufford Small Grant for Nature Conservation. 2023-2024. **Co-PI** (\$9,900). (funded)
3. Reframing Adaptation: A Multilevel Analysis of Collective Action, Power, and Politics of Climate Change Adaptation in Climate Vulnerable Communities. Bob and Judy Sturgis Exploration Fund. Climate Change Institute. February 30, 2022 – February 30, 2023. **PI** (\$5,000). (funded)
4. Reframing Adaptation: A Multilevel Analysis of Collective Action, Power, and Politics of Climate Change Adaptation in Climate Vulnerable Communities. Lambda Alpha National Anthropology Honor Society. May 11, 2021 – May 30, 2022. **PI** (\$2,000). (funded)
5. Reframing Adaptation: A Multilevel Analysis of Collective Action, Power, and Politics of Climate Change Adaptation in Climate Vulnerable Communities. Wenner-Gren Foundation. May 1, 2021 – May 30, 2022. **PI** (\$20,000). (passed first stage but not funded)
6. Reframing Adaptation: A Multilevel Analysis of Collective Action, Power, and Politics of Climate Change Adaptation in Climate Vulnerable Communities. Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC). March 28, 2021 – March 30, 2023. **PI** (\$15,500). (not funded)

7. Advancing Climate Change Adaptation: Multilevel Adaptation Governance, and Resilience in Indigenous Farming Communities in Nepal. Churchill Exploration Fund. Climate Change Institute. February 20, 2020 – February 30, 2021. **PI** (\$2,000). (funded)
8. Assessment of conservation threats and habitat management of Chinese pangolin (*Manis pentadactyla*) in Balthali VDC of Kavre Nepal. National Trust for Nature Conservation, Nepal. **PI** (\$350). (funded)

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

John Bodley Travel Award, Society for Applied Anthropology (SFAA) (\$750)	2025
Emerging Scholar Award: Seventeenth International Conference on Climate Change: Impacts & Responses	2025
Professional Development Fund, Preeminent Postdoctoral Program (P3), University of Central Florida (\$5,000)	2024/25
Travel Award, Anthropology Department, UMaine (\$500)	2023
International Travel Grant, Anthropology Department, UMaine (\$1,000)	2022
Graduate Student Government, Degree Related Grant (\$840)	2022
University of Maine, Professional Enrichment Grant (\$1,500)	2022
Chase Distinguished Research Award (\$18,000 + tuition)	2021
Graduate Student Government, Degree Related Grant (\$798)	2021
University of Maine, Professional Enrichment Grant (\$2,000)	2021
Graduate Student Government (GSG), Emergency Grant (\$1,306)	2021
Student Crisis Fund, Office of International Program, UMaine (\$1,300)	2012
International Travel Grant, Anthropology Department, UMaine (\$800)	2020
Sandy and Bobby Ives Research Award (\$500)	2019
University of Maine, Thurgood Marshall Tuition Scholarship (\$20,955)	2018
B.Sc. Forestry Tuition Scholarship (Government of Nepal)	2012-2016
I.Sc. Forestry Tuition Scholarship (Government of Nepal)	2010-2012

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

1. **Acharya, S.** (2025). Development and Disaster: Exploring a Sustainability Framework. Roundtable Panel Discussion. Nepali Academics in America (NACA) Conference. Appalachian State University, Boone, NC, USA.
2. **Acharya, S.** (2025). Enhancing the Knowledge of Differential Vulnerability: Insights from One of the World's Most Climate Vulnerable Regions, Karnali Nepal. Society for Applied Conference, Portland, OR, USA.
3. **Acharya, S.** (2025). Unintended Consequences: The Erosion of Traditional Collective Action and Social Capital by Externally Driven Climate Adaptation Programs. Seventeenth International Conference on Climate Change: Impacts & Responses. Florida International University, Miami, US.
4. **Acharya, S.** (2025). Navigating Power and Politics: Analyzing Nepal's Multi-Level Governance in Climate Adaptation. 19th Annual Public Administration Research Conference (PARC). University of Central Florida, Orlando, US.
5. **Acharya, S.** (2024). Nepal's Multi-Level Governance System: Analyzing Power and Politics in Climate Adaptation Governance. Borns Symposium. Climate Change Institute,

University of Maine, USA.

6. **Acharya, S.** (2023). Power Trade-off Across Scales in Nepal's Multi-Level Climate Governance System. Nepali Academics in America (NACA). Arizona State University, USA.
7. **Acharya, S.** (2023). Bio-Physical and Sociopolitical Vulnerabilities: A Case Study from World's One of the Most Climate Vulnerable Regions, Karnali Nepal. Borns Symposium. Climate Change Institute, University of Maine, USA.
8. **Acharya, S.** (2020). Review on the Roles of Renewable Energy Technologies in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Among Rural Communities of Nepal. International Knowledge Forum. Netherlands Alumni Association of Nepal (NAAN), Kathmandu Nepal.
9. **Acharya, S.** (2020). Review on the Roles of Renewable Energy Technologies in Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Among Rural Communities of Nepal. Borns Symposium. Climate Change Institute, University of Maine, USA.
10. **Acharya, S., Mann, A., Mereghetti, A., & Reed, C.** (2019). Changing resources in a changing climate: chronicles of livelihood adaptability in the Gulf of Maine. University of Maine Student Symposium. University of Maine, USA.
11. **Acharya, S.** (2018). Assessment of conservation threats and habitat management of Chinese pangolin (*Manis pentadactyla*) in Balthali VDC of Kavre Nepal” on South Asian Conference on Small Mammals “Small Mammals: Sustaining Ecology and Economy in the South Asia”.
12. **Acharya, S.** (2016). Human-Rhesus Macaque conflict in (Pumdivumd/Tallokodi), Pokhara, West Nepal. Seventh National Conference on Science and Technology organized by Nepal Academy of Science and Technology, Kathmandu.

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

1. **Acharya, S.** (2025). Sharing Knowledge: Dissertation Writing to Manuscript Publication (SOC 654). Northern Arizona University.
2. **Acharya, S.** (2024). Exploring Human Dimensions of Climate Change. Nepali Academics in America (NACA).
3. **Acharya, S.** (2024). Qualitative Research Methods: Ethnography. Leading Innovation Policy Course. Daayitwa's Nepal Public Policy Fellowship program.
4. **Acharya, S.** (2023). Implication of Ethnographic Research Methods in Wildlife Research. Wildlife Research Techniques training organized by the Friends of Nature, Kathmandu, Nepal.
5. **Acharya, S.** (2023). Ethnography in Climate Change Study: A Methodological Approach from Nepal. Qualitative Method and Analysis (SOC 654). Northern Arizona University.
6. **Acharya, S.** (2022). Social Science and Research Method: Ethnography. Wildlife Research Techniques training organized by the Friends of Nature, Kathmandu, Nepal.
7. **Acharya, S.** (2022). Introduction to Climate Change, Impacts, and Adaptation Measures in Nepal. Kabhre Secondary School, Kavre, Nepal.
8. **Acharya, S.** (2021). Nepal's Forest Management, Conservation, and Livelihood: Pros and Cons. Self Help Environment Awareness Camp (SHEAC), Institute of Forestry,

- Pokhara, Nepal.
9. **Acharya, S.** (2021). Drawing a Pathway to the Graduate Studies in the United States of America: A Brief Introduction. Wildlife Research Techniques training organized by the Friends of Nature, Kathmandu, Nepal.
 10. **Acharya, S.** (2022). Highlighting Impacts of Climate Change and Adaptation Strategies in High Himalayas of Nepal. Nepal Climate Change Support Program- II, Humla, Nepal.
 11. **Acharya, S.** (2021). Social Understanding of Climate Change Adaptation. Institute of Forestry, Pokhara, Nepal.
 12. **Acharya, S.** (2021). Introduction to Climate Change, Impacts, and Adaptation Measures in Nepal. Kabhre Secondary School, Kavre, Nepal.
 13. **Acharya, S.** (2021). Nepal's Forest Management, Conservation, and Livelihood: Pros and Cons. Conservation Anthropology (ANT 250), University of Maine. September 20, 2021.
 14. **Acharya, S.** (2018). Local Adaptation Plans for Action (LAPA): Climate Change Adaptation Tool in Nepal. Ecological Anthropology (ANT 564), University of Maine. December 10, 2018.

ACADEMIC ADVISING AND MENTORING

Undergraduate Thesis Advisor Committee Member (Tribhuvan University, Nepal)

Dharmendra Budthapa	Graduated (2025)
Saru Gahatraj	Graduated (2021)
Ritika Shrestha	Graduated (2021)

EDITORIAL SERVICES

Assistant Editor- World Water Policy Journal (May 2025- present)

Editorial Board- Journal of Environmental Studies and Sciences (July 2024- present)

- Manuscript Screening and Initial Assessment
- Peer Review Coordination
- Editorial Decision Support
- Post-Acceptance Processing
- Quality Assurance and Scholarly Integrity

PEER REVIEWER

World Development (x1)

Climatic Change (x2)

Mitigation and Adaptation Strategies for Global change (x3)

Journal for Nature Conservation (x4)

Environmental Studies and Sciences (x3)

Geo Journal (x1)

Current Opinion in Environmental Sustainability (x1)

New Angle: Nepal Journal of Social Science and Public Policy (x1)

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Social Science Researcher (2019- 2024)

Himalayan Conservation & Research Institute

- Capitalized capacity and knowledge in designing research-based projects, literature review, report writing, and research paper writing in the field of human-wildlife conflict/interaction in mountain agricultural ecosystem, environmental change, climate

change adaptation and mitigation, natural resources management, and forest management.

District Climate Change Specialist (June 2017 - July 2018)

Adaptation for Smallholders in Hilly Areas of Nepal (ASHA)

Ministry of Forests and Environment, Nepal

- Strengthened knowledge of climate vulnerability by developing vulnerability risk assessment applying GIS, remote sensing, and social mapping at more than 25 local levels.
- Advised 4 mid-level technicians while planning, preparing, and implementing local-level adaptation projects.
- Heightened knowledge of climate change and energy policies by supporting federal, provincial, and local level climate change adaptation and mitigation policies development.
- Reinforced gender equality and social inclusion by developing more than 25 local adaptation plans of action (LAPA) for inclusive implementation of climate policies and national adaptation program of actions (NAPA).
- Social networking, communication, and building relationships with partners, donors, and stakeholders across scales.
- Established 10 climate knowledge centers in collaboration with local governments, community groups, civil societies, and public/private organizations to promote nature-based solutions.
- Managed multiple projects and designed, and analyzed socioeconomic surveys, interviews, and group discussions.
- Prepared the annual work plan and budget.

Climate Change Officer (Feb 2016-May 2017)

Asian Network for Sustainable Agriculture & Bioresources (ANSAB)

- Actively involved in forest-based nature-based solution project: ‘Community-based REDD+ pilot program in Nepal: Incentive for climate change mitigation and forest conservation measures’ implemented in 3 districts of Nepal, with funding support from the Norwegian Agency for Development (NORAD).
- Assessed and established baseline value of watershed-level forest carbon stock and calculated forest carbon of individual community forests to support carbon payment.
- Conducted field visits for REDD+ project and prepared progress reports.

Research Assistant

Green Governance Nepal (Project Basis)

- Prepared District Forest Sector Plan for Bhojpur district, Nepal.
- Project design, field-based data collection, analysis, and report writing for – “Study on Possibility of Promotion of Agroforestry Pocket Areas of Jhapa District, Nepal”.

Field Technical Officer (Feb 2013- Dec 2016, part time on university vacations)

Federation of Community Forestry Users Group (FECOFUN), Kavre, Nepal

- Prepared community forest users’ operational plans for 20 community forests.
- Experienced with Initial Environmental Examination (IEE) and Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA)

Environment Journalist (2013-2015, part time basis)

Radio Hemja

- Documented, collected and wrote news related to environment, forestry, climate change, energy, and conservation.
- Developed social media posts for Twitter, Facebook, and Instagram accounts.

OTHER SHORT TERM EXPERIENCES: TRAININGS AND WORKSHOPS

- Six months GIS Course organized by Institute of Forestry (IOF), Pokhara Nepal. February 9 - July 7, 2015.
- Training of Trainers (ToT) on Climate Change Adaptation and Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Integration organized by Adaptation for Smallholders in Hilly Areas (ASHA) Project, DPCU Rolpa. September 5 – 9, 2017.
- Coordinated and participated: Participatory Monitoring, Evaluation and Information Management Training organized by Adaptation for Smallholders in Hilly Areas (ASHA) Project, DPCU Dailekh. November 22 – 26, 2017.
- Coordinated and facilitated: Climate Change Adaptation and Gender Equality and Social Inclusion Capacity Building Training organized by Adaptation for Smallholders in Hilly Areas (ASHA) Project, DPCU Dailekh. March 15 – 18, 2018.
- Training on use of Statistical Tools in scientific research by Institute of Forestry (IOF), Pokhara Nepal. December 12 – 12, 2015.
- Training entitled Significance of Statistical Tools in Research Design and Proposal Writing organized by Communication for Conservation (CFC) Nepal. August 4 – 5, 2013.
- Wildlife Technique Training by Resources Himalaya. October 10 - 11, 2015
- Coordinated The Students' Training on IEE/EIA Report Writing. March 14 – 24, 2013.
- Participated on Forest Inventory and Check List establishment, Pokhara. Feb 14 – 27, 2013
- Training workshop on Capacity Building on Climate Change, Carbon Financing and REDD/REDD+ issues by YAE, Nepal. August 29 - September 2, 2015
- Nepal Climate Convergence. November 18 – 19, 2015
- Wildlife week programs 2013, 2014 and 2015.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qKIOOReDeHo>

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Microsoft Office Suite
- Geospatial analysis using ArcGIS Pro.
- Exploratory and qualitative data analysis using NVivo and Dedoose.
- Basic programming skills for large datasets on Microsoft Excel and SPSS.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Political Science Association (APSA)	2025-Current
Member, International Political Science Association (IPSA)	2025- Current
Member, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM)	2025-Current
Member, Society for Applied Anthropology	2024-Current
Member, The Nature Conservancy	2025- Current
Member, National Association of Resilience Planners	2024-Current
Life Member, Nepali Academics in America (NACA)	2023-Current
Member, Himalayan Conservation and Research Institute	2019-Current
Member, Lambda Alpha National Anthropology Honor Society	2021
President, Self Help Environment Awareness Camp (SHEAC).	2015
Founding Vice-President, Nepali Student Association, University of Maine	2023-2024

Member, Bird Conservation Nepal (BCN).	2010-2016
Member, Bat Friends, Pokhara, Nepal	2010-2016
Member, Society for Wildlife Research and Conservation (SOWREC).	2010-2016

LANGUAGES

Nepali (Native)
English (Fluent)
Hindi (Fluent)