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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Hawaii Pacific University, Honolulu, HI

Department Chair (2023-Present):

History, Humanities, and International Studies

Associate Professor: (2022-Present)

International Studies/Political Science/Diplomacy & Military Studies
Chair and Creator of Human Rights Minor (Fall 2021-Present)

International Studies Program Chair (2018-2023)

Assistant Professor (2017-2022)

University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, India.

Senior Fulbright-Nehru Research Scholar (May-December 2022)

Department of Political Science

Project: Building Peace through Interactions and Institutions.

EDUCATION

University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY

M.A (2012) Ph.D. (2015)

Political Science: Comparative Politics and International Relations

The New School, New York City, NY

September 2007-May 2008

MA International Affairs

University of Bridgeport, Bridgeport, CT

September 2005-May 2007

Bachelor of Arts International Political Economy & Diplomacy

Bachelor of Arts Political Science

Summa Cum Laude

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Foreign Service Institute** (US Dept of State): India and Pakistan Politics, Religion and Communalism
- International Relations of Asia
- Politics of South Asia,
- Democratization and Human Rights (Graduate and Undergraduate)
- Seminar: Diplomacy and International Relations (Graduate)
- Global Systems and Development
- Civil Resistance and non-Violent Movements
- Religion and Nationalism
- Global Environmental Politics
- Social Science Research Methods
- International Security
- Introduction to Politics
- Introduction to International Relations
- Introduction to Comparative Politics
- Politics of Terrorism (Graduate and Undergraduate)
- Islam and Politics

Peer Reviewed Scholarship

Books

Religious Nationalism in Contemporary South Asia. Summer 2022. Cambridge: Cambridge University Press Elements. <https://www.cambridge.org/core/books/religious-nationalism-in-contemporary-south-asia/041691105FDA51E0B36024B47A956AB0>

Peer Reviewed Articles

- “Climate Conflict: South Asia and the Growing Risk of Climate Refugees.” With Cidney Hopkins and Laurabell Obana. *Terrorism and Political Violence*. (May 2022).
<https://doi.org/10.1080/09546553.2022.2069448>
- “Understanding India’s Uneven Sex Ratios: A Comparative Religions Approach.” *Journal of Religion and Violence*. (April 2022) <https://doi.org/10.5840/jrv202241890>
- “Overcoming Intersecting Isolations in an Interdisciplinary Department.” With Dr. Ngoc Phan. *Journal of Political Science Education*. (April 2022)
<https://doi.org/10.1080/15512169.2022.2051534>
- “The Securitization of Love Jihad.” *Religions*, Vol. 12 (12): (December 2021).
<https://doi.org/10.3390/re12121074>
- “Gendered Islamophobia: The nature of Hindu and Buddhist nationalism in India and Sri Lanka.” *Studies in Ethnicity and Nationalism*, 1–22. (September 2021).
<https://doi.org/10.1111/sena.12350>
- “COVID-19 in India: An Assessment of Kerala’s Development Model.” 2021, with Shelli Israelsen *Progress in Development Studies*. (September 2021).
<https://doi.org/10.1177/14649934211030462>
- “People Don’t Want a Mosque Here: Contested Architecture as a Strategy of Nationalism.” *Journal of Religion and Violence*. Volume 9 (1): (Spring 2021)
<https://doi.org/10.5840/jrv202142086>
- “Supporting Junior Women: Strategies for Men Colleagues.” With Emily Farris and Julia Marin Hellwege. *PS: Political Science and Politics*. (July 2021).
<https://doi.org/10.1017/S1049096521000068>
- “The Rise of Hindu Nationalism and its Regional and Global Ramifications.” (Spring 2019). *Education About Asia: Asian Politics*. Volume 23:1 39-43
- “Bombs or Ballots?: How do Separatist Groups Determine their Strategy and Why is it Important for All of Us?” *Aviation Security International*. Summer 2014.

Book Chapters

- “International Ports and Security Challenges in South Asia.” In *Security Challenges in Contemporary Indo-Pacific*, World Scientific Publishing, Forthcoming Spring 2024.
- “The Covid-19 Pandemic and Religious Marginalization in Sri Lanka” in *The COVID-19 Pandemic in South Asia: Domestic and International Responses*. eds Sumit Ganguly and Dinsha Mistree, Routledge. (Spring 2022)
<https://www.routledge.com/The-Covid-19-Crisis-in-South-Asia-Coping-with-the-Pandemic/Ganguly-Mistree/p/book/9781032163451>

FELLOWSHIPS

Center for Advanced Internet Studies (Bochum, Germany), Project Leader: Tracing global flows of far-right online radicalisation. (July 2023)

Fulbright Nehru Senior Research Scholar, University of Kerala, Thiruvanthapuram, India. Project: “Creating Community in Kerala: Building Peace through Interactions and Institutions.” (May-December 2022)

Council of American Overseas Research Centers (CAORC) INYA Institute Fellow (Myanmar): “Climate and Community: The Challenges Facing Rohingya Refugees in Bangladesh.” (2022)

Tomodachi Kakehashi Inouye Scholars, Faculty Representative to Japan (March 2020)

National Endowment for the Humanities Faculty Development Grant, To carry out a project related to comparative post-conflict reconciliation in Sri Lanka (2020)

International Center on Nonviolent Conflict Curriculum Fellow. To develop an undergraduate and graduate course on Non-Violent Resistance (2019)

GRANTS

National Endowment for the Humanities Faculty Development Grant, To carry out a project related to comparative linguistic nationalism in Catalonia & Basque Country (2023)

National Endowment for the Humanities Faculty Development Grant, To carry out a project related to Muslim women’s experience in post-conflict Sri Lanka (2020)

CSEP Research Grant, To carry out a project related to nationalism in Sri Lanka and India, Hawaii Pacific University (2019)

National Endowment for the Humanities Faculty Development Grant, To carry out a project related to post-conflict nationalism in Sri Lanka Hawaii Pacific University (2018)

AWARDS

Scholar of the Year, Hawaii Pacific University (2022)

Teacher of the Year, Hawaii Pacific University (2021)

Scholar of the Year Department of History and International Studies (2020)

Advisor of the Year Department of History and International Studies (2020)

Outstanding Service, International Studies Department, Hawaii Pacific University (2019-2022)

Teacher of the Year, Department of History and International Studies (2019)

Outstanding Service by a Faculty Member, Hawaii Pacific University Department of History and International Studies (2018)

SERVICE

Department Chair, History, Humanities, and International Studies, HPU (2023-Present)

Program Chair, South Asia in World Politics, *International Studies Association*, (2022-Present)

Program Chair, International Studies, HPU, (2018-2023)

Faculty Senator, College of Liberal Arts, HPU (2020-Present)

Fulbright Program Advisor, HPU (2018-Present)

Advisor Model United Nations Club, HPU (2018-2023)

Critical Language Studies Program Advisor, HPU, (2018-Present)

Marshall Scholarship Advisor, HPU, (2021-Present)

Academic Advisor Chair, History and International Studies, HPU (2019-Present)

Secretary Academic Affairs Committee, HPU (2017-2020)

Political Science Search Committee, HPU (2018; 2022)

Board of Directors, Gandhi International Institute of Peace, Honolulu, Hawaii (2021-2023)

Reviewer (Selected Publications): Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, Routledge, Journal of Politics and Religion, Small Wars and Insurgencies, Journal of Behavioural

Sciences of Terrorism and Political Aggression, Statistics, Politics, and Policy, Global Studies Quarterly, Conflict Resolution Quarterly.

Public Scholarship

- “Understanding Sri Lanka’s Crisis.” *Inkstick Media*. 27 July 2022.
<https://inkstickmedia.com/understanding-sri-lankas-crisis/>
- “India and Sri Lanka: Subnational Diplomacy Dynamics.” *South Asian Voices: Stimson Center*. 3 September 2021. <https://southasianvoices.org/india-and-sri-lanka-subnational-diplomacy-dynamics/>
- “Jeopardizing Sri Lanka’s Domestic Stability.” *Inkstick Media*. 6 May 2021.
<https://inkstickmedia.com/jeopardizing-sri-lankas-domestic-stability/>
- “How Buddhist Nationalism is Shaping Sri Lanka’s Domestic and Foreign Policy.” *9DashLine* 24 March 2021. <https://www.9dashline.com/article/how-buddhist-nationalism-is-shaping-sri-lanka-domestic-and-foreign-policy>
- “A Coup Can’t Destroy an Ideology. The Future of Buddhist Nationalism in Myanmar.” *Berkley Center for Religion, Peace, and World Affairs, Georgetown University*. March 12, 2021.
<https://berkeleycenter.georgetown.edu/responses/a-coup-can-t-destroy-an-ideology-the-future-of-buddhist-nationalism-in-myanmar>
- “Forced Cremation of Covid Dead in Sri Lanka Further Marginalizes Muslim Community.” *Religion Dispatches*. December, 15, 2020.
- “The Geographic Challenges of Counterterrorism in Northeast India.” 2017. *The London School of Economics: South Asia at LSE*.
- “Trains, Terrain, and Terrorism.” *The Diplomatic Courier*. Winter 2014.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS & LEADERSHIP

- Panel Chair, International Studies Association: Democratization and its Processes in South Asian Countries; The Changing Manifestations of Nationalism in South Asia; The Varied Representations of Nationalism in South Asia, April 2021
- “Religious Nationalism in South Asia: The Overlapping Parallels of Hindu and Buddhist Nationalism.” *International Studies Association*, March 2021
- “Prospects for Peace: An Evaluation and Risk Assessment of the Afghan Peace Process.” *Southern Political Science Association*, Virtual SPSA and WPSA, Spring 2021
- “Teaching Civil Resistance in the Classroom.” *APSA Teaching and Learning Conference*, Virtual, September 2020
- “Gendered Islamophobia: The Parallels of Hindu and Buddhist Nationalism in S. Asia.” *APSA Annual Conference*, Virtual, September 2020
- “Peacebuilding in an era of post-Conflict Nationalism.” 2020 Joint Conference on Human Rights and Foreign Policy, London, June 2020 (Cancelled due to Coronavirus)
- “The Bloody Pulpit: The Impact of Attacks on Religious Spaces in South Asia.” *ISA Annual Conference*, Honolulu, HI, March 2020 (Cancelled due to Coronavirus)
- “Peacebuilding in an Era of Islamophobia and Post-Conflict Nationalism” *East West Center International Graduate Student Conference*, Honolulu, HI, February 2020
- “How does Terrorism Impact Public Foreign Policy Attitudes?” *Southern Political Science Association*, Austin, TX, January 2019.
- “Bombs or Ballots: How Do Aggrieved Ethnic Groups Determine Their Political Strategy?” *American Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL, August 2013
- “A District Level Analysis of Geographic Effects on Terrorism.” *Midwest Political Science Association*, Chicago, IL, April 2012
- “Electoral Consequences of Terrorism in India: A District Level Analysis.” *International Studies Association-Midwest Region Annual Meeting*, St. Louis, MO, November 2011.

- “Seeing the Forest Through the Trees: Terrorism and Terrain in India.” *International Studies Association-Southern Region Annual Meeting*, Elon, North Carolina, October 2011.
- “Economic, Cultural, and Social Determinants of Female Gendercide in India.” *Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Chicago, IL March 2011
- “Bloody vs. Bloodless Terrorism: Determinants of Lethal and Non-Lethal Domestic Terrorism.” *Southern Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, New Orleans, LA, January 2011.

MA THESIS ADVISOR

- Geoff Ross (2021) Effectiveness of the Instruments of National Power by the US in the Arctic
- Pablo Vasquez (2021) Diplomacy in the “Order and Progress” era: Mexican Foreign Affairs During the Military Regime of General Diaz
- Greta Stasiulionyte (2021) Russian Hard and Soft Power: The Case of Ukraine
- Kevin Lin (2020): Water Wars and India-China Power Dynamics
- Laurabell Obana (2020): Climate Change, Destabilization, and Terrorist Recruitment
- Brittany Perry (2020): Hindu Nationalism in the 21st Century
- Edward Cho (2020): Belarusian Foreign Policy in the 21st Century
- Darin Nieuwama (2019): The Impact of Pakistan’s Counter-Insurgency Policies on Internal Violence
- Sarah Thompson (2019): Anarchy, International Law, and Drone Warfare
- Kula Companion (2018): The Russian Sphere of Interest in Eastern Europe

PANELS, TALKS, AND INTERVIEWS

- VN Express** Interview with Vietnam’s largest newspaper: “Tân Tổng thống khó cứu Sri Lanka khỏi bờ vực khủng hoảng (It will be difficult for Sri Lanka’s new President to save it from Crisis.” <https://vnexpress.net/tan-tong-thong-kho-cuu-sri-lanka-khoi-bo-vuc-khung-hoang-4490330.html> July 21, 2022
- U.S. News and World Reports.** Interview: “Explainer: The Crisis in Sri Lanka.” July 15, 2022. <https://www.usnews.com/news/best-countries/articles/2022-07-15/explainer-how-sri-lanka-descended-into-crisis-and-protests>
- KITV.** On air interview about India and Bangladesh delegation visit to Hawaii; RIMPAC. May 13, 2022.
- Keynote Speaker, *Afghanistan: A Conversation.*** Hawaii Pacific University Liberal Arts Symposium Series
- Panelist, *Center for Chinese Studies, University of Hawaii.*** “India-China Relations: A Source of Rising Concern.” November 18, 2021
- Featured Speaker, *University of Hawaii Department of Geography and Environment Lecture Series.*** “When Home Disappears: South Asia and the Growing Risk of Climate Conflict.” October 14, 2021.
- La Presse.** “Birmanie: Chaude lutte pour la reconnaissance internationale.” (Burma: Heated fight for international recognition). September 13, 2021.
- KITV.** On air interview about the Afghanistan Crisis. August 16, 2021.
- Speaker, *International Women’s History Month,*** Global Challenges Facing Women, Hawaii Pacific University. March, 2021
- Panelist, “Discussing Opposing Viewpoints.”** *Hawaii Pacific University*, February, 2021
- Keynote Speaker “Addressing Violence Against Women.”** *Hawaii Pacific University*, November, 2020
- Adapting Gandhi’s Ideas for 2020,** Gandhi’s Birthday Celebration, Honolulu, HI, October 2020
- Discussant *American Political Science Association:*** Gender and Partisanship in South Asia; Elections and Ethnic Exclusion in India; Fear of Women Winning? Resistance and Backlash to Women’s Increasing Power; San Francisco, September 2020.

Discussant *International Studies Association*: Revisiting Histories of South Asia; Revival of the Far Right; Honolulu, Hawaii, March 2020. (Cancelled due to Covid)

The Continuing Legacy of Gandhi: Civil Resistance in the 21st Century, Speaker, Celebration of Gandhi's 150th Birthday, Honolulu, HI, October 2019

Gun Rights and Gun Control, "Gun Violence Data." Hawaii Pacific University, CLA Symposia, October 2019

Sri Lanka at a Crossroads: The Easter Attacks and 10-year Anniversary of Civil War Cessation, University of Hawaii-Manoa, Reflecting South Asia in Hawaii, April 2019

East-West Center Jefferson Fellow Forum-U.S. Strategic Interests & Asia Pacific Regional Security Challenges, "Trends in Terrorism in South Asia." Honolulu, HI. April 2019

Terror Attacks in Sri Lanka, Live Interview, Channel News Asia, April 21, 2019

Terrorism, Inc.: The Rise, Evolution, and Downfall of the Islamic State. Hawaii Pacific University Global Issues Lecture. February 2018

'Politics and Economic Development in India' with former President of India Abdul Kalam. April 16th 2010.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Languages: English Native, Spanish (Advanced), Hindi (Advanced Beginner), Mandarin (Advanced Beginner), Malayalam (Advanced Beginner), Gujarati (Beginner), Ōlelo Hawai'i (Beginner),

Methods: HarvardX Certification: Data Science: R Basics; Institute for Qualitative and Multi-Method Research (IQMR); Proficient in QGIS

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

American Political Science Association
International Studies Association
Association for Asian Studies