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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Call for Applications

## 2024 Himalayan Studies Fellowships

The [Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies](#) (ANHS) announces its annual Himalayan Studies Fellowships. All ANHS Himalayan Studies Fellowship applicants must be active members of the ANHS or scholars affiliated with an ANHS institutional member.

**Deadline:** 01 March 2024 (11:59 PM US Pacific Time) with an anticipated award date of 01 April 2024.

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## Call for Applications

Applications are requested for a **Reading Seminar on Decolonial Theory and Practice** with **Sanjay Sharma**

**Application deadline:** 25 February 2024

**Seminar dates and time:** 19 March to 7 May 2024 (Every Tuesday) at 7:30–9:30am

**Organiser and venue:** Martin Chautari, Thapathali, Kathmandu

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## Call for Papers

## 21st BNAC Nepal Study Days

The [Britain–Nepal Academic Council](#) (BNAC) invites scholars and practitioners from all disciplines and all career-stages, as well as the curious general public, to participate in the 21st BNAC Nepal Study Days in Edinburgh.

**Abstract submission deadline:** 1 March 2024

**Conference dates:** 13–14 May 2024

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## Call for Papers/Panels

## Chautari Annual Conference 2024

**Abstract submission deadline:** 10 June 2024

**Conference dates:** 27–29 November 2024

**Organiser and venue:** Martin Chautari, Thapathali, Kathmandu

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## Call for Submissions

Applications are invited from eligible candidates for the [Britain–Nepal Academic Council](#) (BNAC)

**PhD Dissertation Prize 2024.**

**Submission deadline:** 16 February 2024

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## Panel Discussion

[Social Science Baha](#) invites you to a panel discussion on the book

**Nation Building and Federalism in Nepal: Contentions on Framework** by **Krishna Hachhethu**

3 pm | 8 February 2024 (Thursday) | Yala Maya Kendra, Patan Dhoka

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## NEW PUBLICATIONS

## Journals Articles

## Unveiling Motivational Factors Driving Nepali Students to Pursue Higher Education Abroad

**Ekta Baral, Basanta Prasad Adhikari & Reena Gurung**

*OCEM Journal of Management, Technology & Social Sciences*, 3:1, 2024

[Read more](#) (open access)

## Making Sense of Nepal's Nationalism

Implications for the India–Nepal Relationship

**Anshuman Behera, Gaurav Nayak & Shyam Hari P.**

*India Quarterly: A Journal of International Affairs*, 2024

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## Perceived Benefits, Burdens and Effectiveness of a Buffer Zone Programme in Improving Protected Area–People Relationships

**Sweta Dixit, Neelam Chandra Poudyal, Thakur Sitwal, Omkar Joshi, Ananta Bhandari, Ganesh Pant & Donald G Hodges**

*Environmental Conservation*, 2024

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## Cultural Sustainability and Samosa Colonialism

A Decolonizing Thinking Practice

**Purushottam Ghimire & Binod Prasad Pant**

*The Batuk*, 10:1, 2024

[Read more](#) (open access)

## Land Tenure System and Security of Kumal Community in Gorkha

**Chan Bahadur Gurung**

*Journal of Advanced Academic Research*, 10:2, 2023

[Read more](#) (open access)

## Surviving the Crisis

Making Intergovernmental Relations Strong for Fighting the Pandemic, Case from Nepal

**Trilochan Pokharel**

*Asian Review for Public Administration*, 31:1–2, 2023

[Read more](#) (open access)

## Participatory Policy Analysis in Health Policy and Systems Research

Reflections from a Study in Nepal

**Sujata Sapkota, Simon Rushton, Edwin van Teijlingen, Madhusudan Subedi,... & Sujan B. Marhatta**

*Health Research Policy and Systems*, 22, 2024

[Read more](#) (open access)

## The Implications of Climate Variability on the Livelihood of Local Communities of Melamchi Municipality

**Sahista Thapa & Anil Bhandari**

*The Batuk*, 10:1, 2024

[Read more](#) (open access)

## A Paralysed Phenomenon Of Peace Building In Nepal

**Sunil Thapa**

*IOSR Journal of Humanities and Social Science*, 28:12, 2023

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## Journals



## Academia Research Journal

Vol 3, No. 1, 2024

Research Management Cell,  
Mahendra Multiple Campus,  
Nepalgunj

[Read more](#) (open access)



## Asian Journal of Population Sciences

Vol 3, 2024

Department of Population  
Studies, Prithvi Nayaran Campus,  
Tribhuvan University

[Read more](#) (open access)



## Educational Journal

Vol 2, No. 2, 2024

Research Management Cell,  
Sanothimi Campus

[Read more](#) (open access)



## European Bulletin of Himalayan Research (EBHR)

No. 61, 2023

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## Patan Pragya

Vol 12, No. 1, 2023

Tribhuvan University Teachers'  
Association, Patan Multiple  
Campus, Lalitpur

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## Studies in Nepali History and Society (SINHAS)

Vol 28, No. 2, 2023

Martin Chautari and Mandala  
Book Point

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## Book Chapters

## Nepal

**Prakash Adhikari & Mahendra Lawoti**

In *An Introduction to South Asian Politics*, edited by Neil DeVotta

Routledge, 2024

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## Civic and Ethnic Nationalism in Nepal

Issues, Opportunities and Challenges in National Unity

**Man Bahadur Khattri**

In *Better Indeed than all Lands: The Contemporary South Asian Discourse on Nationalism*,

edited by Saji Varghese

Authorspress, 2023

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## Caste, Ethnicity, and Identity

Unraveling the Complexities of Social Constructs in Nepal

**Madhusudan Subedi**

In *Better Indeed than all Lands: The Contemporary South Asian Discourse on Nationalism*,

edited by Saji Varghese

Authorspress, 2023

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## Dead Aid

The Cases of International Development Agencies in Uganda, Kenya, and Nepal

**Raj Yadav, Sharlotte Tusasiirwe & Kathomi Gatwiri**

In *Handbook of Critical Whiteness: Deconstructing Dominant Discourses Across Disciplines*,

edited by Jioji Ravulo, Katarzyna Olcoń, Tinashe Dune, Alex Workman & Pranee Liamputtong

Springer Singapore, 2023

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## Books



## Voices from Nepal

Uncovering Human Trafficking  
through Comics Journalism

**Dan Archer**

University of Toronto Press, 2024

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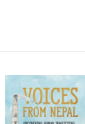
## 28 Saal (in Nepali)

(Year 2028)

**Kumar Bhattarai**

Sangi-La Books, 2023

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## Indian Diplomacy in Nepal

**M.D. Dharamdasani**

Book Hill, 2023

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## Miscellaneous

## Backbone of the Conservation and Management of the Cultural Heritage

A Case of Guthi System in Nepal

**Salik Ram Subedi & Sudha Shrestha**

Preprints, 2024

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## NEW RESEARCH

**John Porten** was awarded a PhD degree in Political Science from the University of California San Diego.

In his doctoral research titled '[Civil Society, Civil War: Revolutionary Development, Civilian Collective Action, and the Making of a New State](#)' he explores how insurgent groups and revolutionary organizations engage with civilians to create a new social order and develop their movement. He argues that revolutionaries invest in political development among communities where their allied civilians are well-organised and capable of sharing the bureaucratic burden or administering territory with the revolutionaries. He tests this theory in the context of the Maoist revolution in Nepal (1996–2005).

Porten can be reached at [john.porten@gmail.com](mailto:john.porten@gmail.com) for more information.

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