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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Registration Open

The Annual Kathmandu Conference on Nepal & the Himalaya 2024
Conference dates: 24–26 July 2024
Modality: In-person
Venue: Hotel Shanker, Lazimpat, Kathmandu
Early-bird discount on registration fees till 15 July 2024
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18th SALAM Lecture Series

Richa Shivakoti
on
Pandemic Return, Reintegration and Re-migration of Nepali Migrant Workers
4 July 2024 | 3–5 PM (Nepal Time) | The lecture will be delivered via Microsoft Teams
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Call for Applications

Dor Bahadur Bista Prize for the Best Graduate Paper
The [Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies \(ANHNS\)](#) is now accepting applications for the 2024 Dor Bahadur Bista Prize for the Best Graduate Student Paper. The purpose of the prize is to recognise outstanding scholarship by graduate students whose research focuses on the areas of High Asia (Hindu Kush – Karakoram – Himalaya – Tibetan Plateau). Submissions from all academic disciplines in the social sciences, humanities, and arts will be accepted.
Deadline: August 30, 2024
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Call for Panels

28th European Conference for South Asian Studies
The [28th European Conference for South Asian Studies](#) will take place in Heidelberg, Germany, from the 1st to the 4th of October 2025. The conference organisers are currently accepting panel proposals for the same until July 24, 2024.
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Call for Submissions

ANHNS James Fisher Prize
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Deadline: September 15, 2024
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NEW PUBLICATIONS

Journals Articles

Theology in Melody

An Indigenous Theological Method of the Nepali Church
Pabitra Mani Bhandari
Missiology: An International Review, 2024
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Prevalence and Factors Associated with Adolescent Pregnancy among an Indigenous Ethnic Group in Rural Nepal

A Community-Based Cross-Sectional Study
Kusumsheela Bhatta, Pratiksha Pathak & Madhusudan Subedi
Journal of Preventive Medicine and Public Health, 57:3, 2024
[Read more](#) (open access)

Women, Peace and Insecurity

The Risks of Peacebuilding in Everyday Life for Women in Sri Lanka and Nepal
Karen Brounéus, Erika Forsberg, Prakash Bhattarai, Neloufer de Mel, Kate Lonergan, Pradeep Peiris, Pawan Roy, Gameela Samarasinghe & Maneesha Wanasinghe-Pasqual
PLoS ONE, 19:5, 2024
[Read more](#) (open access)

'Hunger Happens Elsewhere, Here Malnutrition Results from Lack of Proper Care'

Social Representations of Malnutrition and Processes of Othering in the Nepalese Press
Sabine Caillaud & Sofia Payotte
European Journal of Social Psychology, 2024
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Discourse Analysis of Educational Slogans

Shaping Desires, Aspirations, and Social Norms
Sunita Dabadi
Sadgamaya, 1:1, 2024
[Read more](#) (open access)

Intergenerational Mental Health Effects of Traumatic Victimization in Nepal

A 3-D Theory Study
Clifton R. Emery
Social Science and Medicine, 352, 2024
[Read more](#)

Financing a Middle Class Utopia

Income and Retail Loans in Kathmandu
Andrew Haxby
Anthropological Quarterly, 97:2, 2024
[Read more](#) (open access)

Introduction

The Administration of Everyday Life
Andrew Haxby
Anthropological Quarterly, 97:2, 2024
[Read more](#) (open access)

Living at Work

Migrant Worker Dormitories in Malaysia
Katharine Jones, Anita Ghimire & Yvonne Khor
Work in the Global Economy, 4:1, 2024
[Read more](#) (open access)

Reconstructing Identities among Santhal

An Anthropological Perspective
Om Nath Kadariya
Sadgamaya, 1:1, 2024
[Read more](#) (open access)

Himalayan Buddhism as Human Geological Agency

Rethinking the Novelty of 'the Anthropocene'
Alice Millington
Journal of Global Buddhism, 25:1, 2024
[Read more](#) (open access)

Assessing Service Delivery, User Satisfaction, and Local Governance Dynamics

A Comprehensive Study in Kirtipur Municipality
Sukdev Rajbanshi
Sadgamaya, 1:1, 2024
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Between Eating and Being Fed

Competing Ethics of Community-Based Road Building in Nepal
Katharine Rankin, Shyam Kunwar, Lagan Rai & Elsie Lewison
Anthropological Quarterly, 97:2, 2024
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Assessing the Accountability Mechanisms in the 2015 Nepal Earthquakes Housing Reconstruction

A Case Study of Bungamati, Lalitpur Metropolitan City, Nepal
Govind Bahadur Rimal, Werapong Koedsin, Kuaanan Techato & Naresh N. Rimal
Disaster Prevention and Management, 2024
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Equivocating Houses

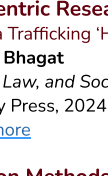
Kinship, Materiality, and Bureaucratic Practice in Post-earthquake Nepal
Sara Schneiderman
Anthropological Quarterly, 97:2, 2024
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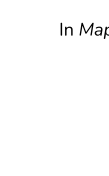
Academic Research Journal

Vol 3, No. 2, 2024
Research Management Cell,
Mahendra Multiple Campus,
Nepalgunj
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Intellectual Inception

A Multidisciplinary Research
Journal of Bhojpur Campus
Vol 1, No. 1, 2024
Research Management Cell,
Bhojpur Multiple Campus
[Read more](#) (open access)



State, Society, and Development

PMPD Perspectives
Vol 2, 2024
Madan Bhandari Foundation (MBF)
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Book Chapters

Beyond Victim-Centric Research

Participatory Action Research in a Trafficking 'Hotspot' of Nepal
Ayushman Bhagat
In *Modern Slavery in Global Context: Human Rights, Law, and Society*, edited by Elizabeth A. Faulkner
Bristol University Press, 2024
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Open Government in the Election Methods of Federal Nepal

Challenges, Constraints and Opportunities
Narendra Raj Paudel & Srijana Pahari
In *Mapping Governance Innovations: Perspectives from South Asia*, edited by Sangita Dhal,
Nachiketa Singh & Amir M. Nasrullah
Routledge, 2024
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The Nepali Path to Federalism

Making Good Governance in Nepal's Federal Structure
Ganga Bahadur Thapa, Joel R. Campbell & Jan Sharma
In *Mapping Governance Innovations: Perspectives from South Asia*, edited by Sangita Dhal,
Nachiketa Singh & Amir M. Nasrullah
Routledge, 2024
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Hindu-Buddhist Conversion in Nepal

Cameron David Warner
In *The Oxford Handbook of Lived Buddhism*, edited by Courtney Bruntz & Brooke Schedneck
Oxford University Press, 2024
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Books



Talking Spaces

A Collection of Research Articles on Public Open Spaces of the Kathmandu Valley
Edited by **Shiva Rijal**
Social Science Baha/SSB Press, 2024
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Miscellaneous

First Survey of Nepali Migrants' Experiences in South Korea and Entrepreneurship & Employment after Returning Home

Jeevan Baniya, Sadikshya Bhattarai, Andrea Upadhya, Kunjung Choi, Dogendra Tumsa & Chhatra Limbu
Korea International Cooperation Agency, 2024
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Nepal

A Primary Health Care Case Study in the Context of the COVID-19 Pandemic
Edited by **Sushil Baral, Sampurna Karkachaputi, Sanju Bhattarai, Saugat Pratap KC & Prabita Shrestha**
World Health Organization, 2024
[Read more](#) (open access)

Deception, Arrest and Detention of Nepali Migrant Workers in Malaysia

Sadikshya Bhattarai, Jeevan Baniya, Sachin Karki & Chhatra Limbu
PNCC/CESLAM, 2024
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Shadow of Majoritarianism

Nepal's Minority Struggles
Featuring **Sudeshna Thapa**, a podcast hosted by **Khushi Hang**,
PODS by Policy Entrepreneurs, Inc., Ep. 100, 2024
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Youth Income and Associated Factors in Nepal

Insights from the 2022 Youth Survey
LELAM-TVET4Income Working Papers, No. 28
Mahesh Nath Parajuli, Prakash C. Bhattarai, Suresh Gautam, Prakash Kumar Paudel, Usha Bhandari & Anil Kumar Gupta
LELAM-TVET4Income, ETH Zurich & Kathmandu University, 2024
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NEW RESEARCH

Uttam Uprety was awarded a PhD degree in Development Studies from Kathmandu University. His doctoral thesis titled 'Capacity Building Factors Contributing to the Governance of Nepali Civil Society Organizations' explores the contribution of civil society organisations' (CSOs) capacity-building factors to their governance. It also investigates the differential contribution of those capacity-building factors and the attributes and education of CSOs' chairpersons on CSO governance. Uprety can be contacted at uttamuprety2010@gmail.com

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