

MAHENDRA LAWOTI

Department of Political Science, Western Michigan University, 3408 Friedmann Hall,
Kalamazoo, MI 49008, Tel: 269-387-5702, Fax: 269-387-5354

Email: mahendra.lawoti@wmich.edu, mlawoti@hotmail.com

September 2007

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2005-Present Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Western Michigan University (WMU), Kalamazoo, MI 49008
- 2004-2005 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, Wake Forest University, Winston Salem, NC 27106
- 2003-2004 Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science, WMU
- 2002-2003 Post Doctoral Fellow and Coordinator, Program on Ethics and Accountability, Graduate School of Public and International Affairs (GSPIA), University of Pittsburgh, PA 15260
- 2003 Spring Adjunct Professor, GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh
- 2001 Fall Teaching Fellow, College of General studies and GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh

EDUCATION

- 2002 Ph.D., GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh
DISSERTATION: *Exclusionary Democratization: Multicultural Society and Political Institutions in Nepal*; Advisors: Mitchell A Seligson, Iris M Young, Luis A Picard, John Markoff, and Siddharth Chandra
Nominated for the NASPAA Dissertation Award, 2003
- 1999 Advanced Certificate in Asian Studies, Asian Studies Program, University Center for International Studies, University of Pittsburgh
- 1997 Master in Urban and Regional Planning, University of Hawaii, Honolulu, HI 96822
- 1997 Master's Certificate in Cross-cultural Understanding, East-West Center, HI 96848
- 1991 Bachelor in Technology (Architectural Engineering), Calicut Regional Engineering College, Calicut University, Kerala, India

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2006-2009 President, the Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies (ANHS)
- 2006-2009 Associate Fellow (Non-Resident), Asia Society, New York
- 2003 The NASPAA (National Association of Schools of Public Affairs and Administration) Dissertation Award Nomination
- 2002 The Best Paper Award Nomination, 34th Annual Meeting of Northeastern Political Science Association, Providence, RI, November 7-9
- 1997 Distinguished Service Award, East-West Center, Honolulu, Hawaii
- 1983-1984 President, Society of Ex-Budhanilkatha Students (SEBS), Nepal
- 1984 The King's Scout, Nepal Boys Scouts

FELLOWSHIP AND GRANTS

- 2007 Instructional Development Grant, WMU, \$ 3,200.00
- 2007 Research Development Award, WMU, \$ 2,500.00
- 2007 The International Education Faculty Development Fund (IEFDF), WMU, \$750.00

- 2006 Faculty Research and Creative Activities Support Fund (FRACASF), WMU, \$ 4,890.00
- 2005 Arts and Sciences Research and Teaching Award, WMU
- 1999, 2002 Student Cabinet Travel Award, GSPIA Student Cabinet, University of Pittsburgh
- 1998-2001 Professional Development Award, GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001
- 1998-2001 Dean's Travel Fund, GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001
- 1997-1999 Graduate Scholarship for Doctoral Studies, GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh
- 1999 Research Travel Award, Asian Studies Program, University of Pittsburgh
- 1995-97 East-West Center Graduate Fellowship, East-West Center, Honolulu, Hawaii

PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH PROJECTS

- 2005-2008 Principal Researcher, Nepal Study Group, State Building Challenges in Asia Project, The East-West Center Washington, funded by the Carnegie Corporation of New York and the East-West Center
- 2004-2007 Researcher, Democracy and Pluralism in Nepal, Project on Democracy and Pluralism in South Asia, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, funded by the Ford Foundation

TEACHING AND RESEARCH INTERESTS

Comparative Politics, International Development, Democratization and Political Institutions, Constitutionalism, Ethnic Politics, Social Movements and Insurgencies, Nepal & South Asia

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS AND MONOGRAPHS

- Forthcoming *Looking Back, Looking Forward: Centralization, Multiple Conflicts, and Democratic State Building in Nepal*, Washington: East-West Center Washington (November 2007)
- 2007 Editor and author, *Contentious Politics and Democratization in Nepal*, SAGE Publications
- 2007 *Samabesi Sambidhan Sabha ra Rajyako Punsamrachana*, in Nepali (Inclusive Constituent Assembly and the Restructuring of the State), Kathmandu: NISP (not peer reviewed)
- 2005 *Towards a Democratic Nepal: Inclusive Political Institutions for a Multicultural Society*. SAGE Publications, paper and hard copy (third reprint 2006)
- Translated into Nepali, 2007 (Kathmandu: NISP)
- Chapter 4 reprinted as "Constitution as Source of Exclusion: An Overview of the 1990 Constitution," chapter one in *Democratic Constitution Making: Experiences from Nepal, Kenya, South Africa, Sri Lanka*, edited by Hari P. Bhattarai and Jhalak Subedi, Kathmandu: Nepal South Asia Center

Under Contract *Government and Politics in South Asia*, sixth edition, co-author with Yogendra Malik, Charles H Kennedy, Robert C. Oberst, Ashok Kapur and Syedur Rahman (5 chapters on Nepal: Culture and Heritage, Government Institutions, Elections and Political Parties, Multiple Conflicts, and Modernization and Development), Westview Press

PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES AND CHAPTERS

- Forthcoming "Exclusionary Democratization in Nepal, 1990-2002," *Democratization*, 15 (3), 2008
- 2007 "Political Exclusion and the Lack of Democratization: Cross-national Evaluation of Nepali Institutions using Majoritarian-Consensus Framework," *Commonwealth and Comparative Politics*, 45 (1): 57-77
- 2007 "Contentious Politics in Democratizing Nepal," chapter one in *Contentious Politics and Democratization in Nepal*, edited by Mahendra Lawoti, SAGE Publications, pp. 17-47
- 2007 "Democracy, Domination, and Exclusionary Engineering Process in Nepal, 1990" chapter two in *Contentious Politics and Democratization in Nepal*, edited by Mahendra Lawoti, SAGE Publications, pp. 48-72
- 2007 "Democratization Promoting and Democratization Hindering Contentious Politics: Lessons from Nepal," chapter thirteen in *Contentious Politics and Democratization in Nepal*, edited by Mahendra Lawoti, SAGE Publications, pp. 322-336
- 2003 "The Maoists and Minorities: Overlap of Interests or a Case of Exploitation?" *Studies in Nepali History and Society*, 8 (1): 67-97

Under Review

"Restructuring the State to Address the Maoist insurgency and Ethnic/caste Exclusion in Nepal," in *Shrinking Space Volume II: Politics of Recognition*, edited by Rita Manchanda, SAGE Publications

BOOK/MONOGRAPH AND ARTICLES UNDER PROGRESS

Exclusion in New Democracies: Political Institutions and Elite Attitudes in Nepal in a Comparative Perspective (revision of dissertation)

The Maoist Insurgency in Nepal: Dynamics and Growth in the Twenty-first Century, being co-edited with Anup Pahari

The Maoist Movement: Democracy, Ethnic Mobilization, and the State in Nepal, update and expansion of articles and conference papers and two new chapters, field work done in summer 2006 and 2007

"The Ethnic Dimension of the Maoist Insurgencies: Indigenous Groups Participation in Peru, Nepal, and India," first preparation February 2005, second revision October 2005, third revision April 2007

"Democracy without Defenders: Tolerant but Alienated Elite in Nepal," first preparation 2003, second revision April 2005

NON-PEER REVIEWED ARTICLES AND BOOK CHAPTERS

- Forthcoming "Ethnicity and Constitutionalism in Multicultural Societies," in *Making a New Constitution: A Guide for the People of Nepal*, edited by Yash Ghai, Leena Rikkila, and Jill Cottrell
- Forthcoming "Minority Rights," encyclopedia entry, *Race, Ethnicity, and Society*, edited by Richard T. Schaefer, Thousand Oaks, CA: SAGE Publications
- 2007 "Nepalma Jatiya ki Prasashanik Sanghiyata?" (Ethnic or Administrative Federalism in Nepal?), *Semi Phaktanglung*, 5 (7)
- 2005 "Rajyako Punasamrachana ko Sawal ra Samabesi Prajatantra," (The Issue of Restructuring of the State and Inclusive Democracy), in *Nepalko Sandarbhamo Rajyako Punasamrachana*, edited by Sitaram Tamang, Kathmandu: Samana Prakashan, p. 229-248, in Nepali, an expanded version of article published in *Mulyankan Monthly*; a slightly different version published in *Swabhimani*, 2006 (Sawan 2063), "Naya Sambidhanma Rajyako Punasamrachana," in Nepali, (Restructuring of the State in the New Constitution), p. 43-53
- 2004 "Samaaweshi Prajatantra-ka-lagi Raajnaitik Sangstha-haru" (Political Institutions for Inclusive Democracy), in *Samasweshi Loktantra-ka-Aadhaar-haru*, ed., Mohan Mainali, Lalitpur: Social Science Baha, pp. 50-74, in Nepali
- 2003 "Centralizing Politics and the Growth of the Maoist Insurgency in Nepal," *Himalaya: The Journal of Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies*, 23 (1): 49-58
- 2003 "Managing Conflict between Civil Society and the State: Explorations into Class and Identity Issues in Nepal," in *Nepal Tomorrow: Voices and Visions*, edited by D B Gurung. Kathmandu: Koselee Prakashan, pp. 63-85
- 2003 "Sambidhan Sansodhan wa Paribartanko Sandharvama Adibasi/Janajatiharuko kehi Abadharana" (Some Perspectives of Indigenous Peoples/Nationalities in the Context of Constitution Amendment or Change), conference proceedings, *Biswa Adibasi Diwas August 9, 2001 Pratibedan*, Kathmandu: Nepal Janajati Mahasangh, pp. 57-71, in Nepali
- 2002 "Defining Minorities in Nepal," *Nepali Journal of Contemporary Studies* 2(2): 22-52
- 2002 "Adibasi/Janajatiprati Jatiya Bhedbhav" (Racial Discrimination toward the Indigenous Peoples/Nationalities), in *Durban Ghosana ra Karyayojana tatha Nepalma Jatiya Bibhed*, eds. Malla K. Sundar and Padama Lal Biswakarma, Kathmandu: National Coalition Against Racial Discrimination (NCARD), pp.

124-144, in Nepali, short translation of alternate NGO report prepared for the United Nation's Third World Conference Against Racism, 2001

- 2001 "Nepali Chapama Utpidit Alpasankhyak Samudayako Mudda" (Minority Issues in the Nepali Print Media), with Kumar Yatru, 2057 v.s. *Janajati: Journal of Nationalities of Nepal*, 2 (3): 32-64, in Nepali
- 1996 "Non-Agricultural Employment in the Hills and Mountains of Nepal: A Case of Mechi Zone." Hawaii: East-West Center Conference Proceedings. 197-205

RESEARCH NOTES AND COMMENTARY

- 2007 "Sanghiyata: Prithaktabadiko Aushadhi," Mulyankan Monthly, Sawan 2064, No 153, p. 31-33
- 2007 "Gantho Phukaune Tarika," Nepali Shikhar, 1(6), February
- 2004 "Rajyako Punarsamrachana ra Samabeshi Prajatantra" (Restructuring the State and Inclusive Democracy), Kathmandu, Mulyankan Monthly, 22: 123, Asoj (September-October), pp. 24-29, in Nepali; Republished in online journal *Development Nepal*, 2004: 3, July-September, www.developmentnepal.com
- 2004 A Proposal for Semi Proportional Electoral Method, Nepal Weekly, Bhadra 31-Sarwan 6 (August 15-22), pp. 16-17, in Nepali
- 2002 "Minority Movements in a Communal Polity: The Case of Dalit in Nepal." Liberal Times, New Delhi, India, X (3): 34-39.
- 2001 "Nepal: Breakdown of Democracy," Economic and Political Weekly, India, 36(50): 4623-4626; reprinted in Aastha, published by SEBS, 2002, pp. 28-35 and www.sebsonline.org (2002) as "Breakdown of Democracy: The Maoist Insurgency and the Declaration of the State of Emergency in Nepal."
- 2001 "Arakchyan Niti ra Yogyata Sambandhi Bhram" (Reservation Policy and the Myth of Merit), in *Chaapama Janajati*, 488-491, edited by Pratyoush Onta, Kumar Yatru and Bhaskar Gautam, Kathmandu: Ekata Books; an expanded translation of an article published in 2000 in Kathmandu Post, in Nepali.
- 2001 "Political Parties and Backward Groups," Mechi-kali, in Nepali
- 2000 "Inclusive Democracy and Governance Structures," EkChhin August: 3-7; Nepali translation published in *Chaapama Janajati*, 400-408, edited by P. Onta, K. Yatru and B. Gautam. Kathmandu: Ekata, 2001

BOOK REVIEWS

- 2000 Demystifying Democracy, The Kathmandu Post, December 31
- 2000 The Unresolved National (Jatiya) Question, The Kathmandu Post, April 9
- 1999 Models of Democracy, The Kathmandu Post

SELECTED EDITORIAL ARTICLES

- 2007 The Politics of Intolerance: Threat to Fledgling Democracy, the Himalayan Times, July 17
- 2007 Separatism in South Asia: Lessons for Nepal, the Himalayan Times, July 9
- 2007 Power Structure: Federalism versus Unitary, the Himalayan Times, January 29
- 2007 Flawed Electoral Method, the Kathmandu Post, January 20
- 2006 Autonomy: An Effective Tool for Conflict Management, in Nepali, Himal Khabarpatrika Fortnightly, September 1
- 2006 Inclusive Constituent Assembly, in Nepali, Nepal Weekly, August 20
- 2004 Theoretical Rationale for the Restructuring of the State, in Nepali, Nepal Weekly, Asoj 10, 2061 (September 19)
- 2004 Political Exclusion: A Method for Arriving at Inclusive Institutions, The Himalayan Times, February 26; Reprinted in Kirat Yakthung Chumlung Bulletin, 2004
- 2004 Federalism for Nepal. The Telegraph Weekly, January 28
- 2001 Individual and Group Rights. The Kathmandu Post. July 21
- 2001 Global Conference against Racial Discrimination and Government's Attitude, in Nepali, Nepal Fortnightly. Sawan 16-32, 2058 v.s. (July)
- 2001 Inclusion and Exclusion, and the Electoral Method in Democratizing Nepal, The Telegraph Weekly, March
- 2001 Discrimination against Groups in the Constitution. In Nepali, Himal Khabarpatrika Fortnightly, March 14-28
- 2000 Formal and Informal Reservations. The Kathmandu Post. September 28
- 2000 Federalism and Fear of Secession. The Kathmandu Post. April 14
- 2000 Insurgency Theories and the Maobadi Movement. The Kathmandu Post. April 6
- 2000 How Democratic is Nepal? The Kathmandu Post. February 27
- 2000 Reservation Policy and the Myth of Merit. The Kathmandu Post. February 18; Reprinted in Yukpho Monthly Newsletter, 1(1): 2, September/October 2004
- 1995 Suitable Cost Effective Homes. The Rising Nepal. March 17,
- 1994 Building Bridges, The Kathmandu Post
- Articles have also appeared in Nava-Prabaha Weekly and Rastra-Vandana Weekly

CONSULTATION AND REPORTS

- 2007 "Ensuring Excluded Communities' Representation in Constitution Building and Democratization Process," monitoring of activities in Jhapa and Tehrathum districts, National Coalition Against Racial Discrimination, Nepal
- 2001 "Racial Discrimination toward the Indigenous Peoples in Nepal," an alternate report prepared for the National Preparatory Committee of NGOs-Nepal for the third World Conference Against Racism-2001, and presented at the National Conference in Kathmandu on April 26. Available at <http://www.nepalnews.com.np/nepaldemocracy/democracy.htm>
- 2000 *Domination and Exclusion: Continued Marginalization of Minorities in Democratizing Nepal*, Nepal country paper, a part of South Asia Minority Protection Study, submitted to International Center for Ethnic Studies (ICES), Colombo, Sri Lanka on behalf of Nepal South Asia Center (NESAC), Nepal

CONFERENCE PAPERS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2007 "Democracy, Exclusion and Informal Institutions," paper accepted for the 2nd Himalayan Policy Research Conference, Madison, October 11
- 2007 "Democratization from Non-Democratic Moves: The Maoist Insurgency, Royal Coup, and Political Reforms in Nepal," American Political Science Association Annual Meeting, August 30-September 2, Chicago, IL and Annual South Asia Conference, Madison, October 12
- 2007 "Federalism and Dalits in Nepal," Tulsipur, Dang, Nepal, August 13
- 2007 "Federalism in Nepal: Inclusive Methodology and Structure," Law Associates of Nepal, Kathmandu, June 30 - July 1; different versions presented at international experience sharing workshops organized by the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance (IDEA) and National Coalition Against Racial Discrimination (NCARD) in Pokhara (July 13) and Dharan (July 17); at a workshop organized by IDEA International and Working Women Journalists Association in Lalitpur (July 17); a workshop organized by NCARD and Kirat Yakthung Chumlung in Myanglung, Teharathum (July 19); a conference organized by Limbuwan Autonomy State Council in Birtamod, Jhapa (July 25); a seminar organized by National Foundation for Development of Nationalities (NFDN) in Kathmandu (August 2-3); a political conference organized by the Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities (NEFIN) in Butwal, Rupendehi (August 8); and a workshop organized by Media Initiative for Rights, Equality and Social Transformation (MIREST)/Nepal and Agenda Economic Magazine in Lalitpur (August 16)
- 2007 "Political Parties in Nepal: Agenda for Reform," Law Associates of Nepal, Kathmandu, July 9
- 2007 "Spheres of Exclusion in Nepal," a workshop organized by IDEA International and NCARD in Lalitpur, June 29
- 2007 "Democratic State Building in Nepal," Martin Chautari, Kathmandu, June 26
- 2007 "Nepal Today: Challenges for Inclusive Democracy," panelist, New School University, May 19
- 2007 "Democracy, Pluralism and Small Ethnic Groups: Dhimals in 1973 and 2004," *the International Conference on Democracy and Pluralism in South Asia*, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, May 1 and 2
- 2007 "The Ethnic Dimension of the Maoist Insurgencies: Indigenous Groups Participation in Peru, Nepal, and India," *the 65th Annual Mid-West Political Science Association Meeting*, Chicago, April 12-15
- 2007 "Visions for Democracy in Nepal," panelist, the Paul H. Nitze School of Advanced International Studies, John Hopkins University, Washington, D.C., April 4 (The Role of Ethnic, Linguistic and Regional Minorities in an Inclusive Democracy)
- 2007 "Ethnic Minorities and Socio-Political Exclusion in Democratic Nepal," panelist, University of Akron, Akron, Ohio, February 17
- 2007 "Nepal in Transition: The Terai Question," panelist, the New School University, New York, February 10
- 2006 "The Centralized Polity and Multiple Conflicts and Crisis in Democratizing Nepal: Inclusion and Accountability to Address the Maoist Insurgency, Ethnic Exclusion and Governance Crisis," Cornell University, Ithaca, November 13

- 2006 "Assessing Democratic Experience in Nepal, 1990-2002: What went Wrong, What Worked, and What should be Done?" *the 35th Annual South Asia Conference*, Madison, October 21
- 2006 "Spheres of Exclusion in Democratizing Nepal, 1990-2002," *the First Annual Himalayan Policy Conference*, a pre-conference at the *35th Annual South Asia Conference* in Madison, October 19
- 2006 "Inclusive and Accountable Political Institutions for Nepal," in Nepali, National Democratic Party, Kathmandu, August 21
- 2006 "Federalism in Nepal: Why, Which, and How," in Nepali, Mahendra Narayan Nidhi Pratishthan and Nepali Congress (Democratic), Kathmandu, August 19; National Democratic Youth Association, Kathmandu, August 18; the Center for Investigative Journalism, Himal Association, Lalitpur, August 17
- 2006 "Inclusive Representative Constituent Assembly," paper in Nepali, The National Foundation for the Development of Indigenous Nationalities Institutional Strengthening Project, Lalitpur, August 9
- 2006 "The 1831 Treaty and Limbuwan," in Nepali, panelist, Limbu Student Association, Kathmandu, August 8
- 2006 "The Restructuring of the State and Federalism," in Nepali, panelist, Federation of Indigenous Nationalities Students, Lalitpur, August 7
- 2006 "Restructuring of the State and Magar's Role," in Nepali, panelist, Nepal Magar Student Association, Tansen, Nepal, July 29
- 2006 "Towards a Democratic Nepal: Discussion on the book's significance for the Constituent Assembly and the Restructuring of the Nepali State," in Nepali, panel with Susan Hangen, Martin Chautari, Kathmandu, July 16
- 2006 "Limbu's Autonomy in the Constituent Assembly and Restructuring of the State," in Nepali, Kirat Yakthung Chumlung (KYC), July 15
- 2006 "Making the Constituent Assembly Inclusive: Criteria and Strategies," in Nepali, Nepal Federation of Indigenous Nationalities, Lalitpur, July 14
- 2006 "Democratic State Building in Nepal: Addressing Ethnic Exclusion, the Maoist Insurgency, and Governance Crisis," *East-West Center Washington Workshop on State Building Challenges in Asia*, Kathmandu, July 17-19
- 2006 "Mobilizing Marginalized Groups, Social Movements and Political Parties in Nepal: A Proposal for Establishing an Inclusive Political Party," *the First Roundtable on Nepalese Indigenous Peoples' Issues*, the Nepal-US Indigenous Peoples Forum and the Department of Sanskrit and Indian Studies, Harvard University, May 22
- 2006 "Indigenous Peoples and Minority Rights in Nepal," a panel with Om Gurung, New School for Social Research, New York, May 20
- 2006 "Endgame in Nepal: Crisis Averted?" *The Asia Society*, New York City, a panel with Samuel Tamrat and Kanak Mani Dixit, May 18
- 2006 "Democracy without Defenders: Tolerant but Alienated Elite in Nepal," *the 64th Annual Mid Western Political Science Association Meeting*, Chicago, April 22
- 2006 "The Ethnic Dimension of the Maoist Insurgency in Nepal: Indigenous Groups' Participation in a Comparative Perspective," invited paper for the symposium on *Divided States and Contested Territories in South Asia*, Asian Studies Center, Michigan State University, March 18

- 2005 "Multiple Conflicts in Nepal," panelist with Prakash Chandra Lohani and Susan Hangen, Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars, Washington, D.C., November 3
- 2005 "The Maoist and Ethnic Conflict in Nepal: A Discussion Agenda," Workshop on *State Building Challenges in Asia*, East-West Center Washington, Washington D.C., October 31-November 3, 2005
- 2005 "The Ethnic Dimension of the Maoist Insurgencies: Comparative Study of Peru, Nepal, and India," *the 34th Annual South Asia Conference*, Madison, October 7-9
- 2005 "The Maoist Insurgency in Nepal: The Inequality Dimension," *the 54th Annual Midwest Conference on Asian Affairs*, Lansing, Michigan, September 24
- 2005 "The Maoists, Monarchy, and Democracy: Reform Agenda for Settling Conflict and Democratization in Nepal," the Annual Convention of Association of Nepalis in America (ANA) in Dallas, Texas, July 2-4
- 2005 "The Maoists, Monarchy, and Democracy: Reform Agenda for Settling Conflict and Democratization in Nepal," George Mason University, May 14
- 2005 "The Maoists, Monarchy, and Democracy: Reform Agenda for Settling Conflict and Democratization in Nepal," Emory University, May 4
- 2005 "The Ethnic Basis of the Maoist Insurgencies: Comparative Study of Peru, Nepal, and India," *46th Annual International Studies Association (ISA) Convention*, Honolulu, March 1-5
- 2004 "Inclusive Restructuring of the State," *the World Indigenous Peoples Week Celebration Conference*, jointly organized by NEFIN and KYC, Hotel Himalaya, Lalitpur, Nepal, August 7
- 2004 "Restructuring the State: An Indigenous Perspective," *Restructuring the State and the Indigenous Peoples*, Newa Dey Dabu (Newar's National Forum) at Hotel Shanker, Kathmandu, August 6
- 2004 "Inclusive and Accountable Restructuring of the State," the workshop on *Inclusive and Participatory Constitution Making Process* organized by Nepal South Asia Center (NESAC), the Collective Campaign for Peace (COCAP), and IDEA International, Nagarkot, Kathmandu, August 3; at COCAP, Kathmandu, July 15
- 2004 "Restructuring the State: Inclusion of Indigenous Nationalities," KYC, Kathmandu, July 18
- 2004 "Exclusionary Democratization in Multicultural Nepal: Political Institutions and Elite Attitudes in Comparative Perspective," *Social Science Baha Lecture Series*, Kathmandu, July 2
- 2004 "Political Institutions and Exclusion in a New Democracy: Cross-national Evaluation of Nepali Institutions using a Majoritarian and Consensus Framework," *the 62nd Annual Mid West Political Science Association Meeting*, April
- 2004 "Exclusionary Democratization in Multicultural Nepal: Political Institutions and Elite Attitudes in Comparative Perspective," Institute of Government and Politics, Western Michigan University, February 12
- 2003 "Inclusive Democratic Political Institutions for Nepal," the Nepal Federation of Nationalities (NEFEN), a panel with Krishna B. Bhattachan, April 27
- 2003 "Inclusive Democratic Political Institutions for Nepal," *International Conference on Transformation Agenda: Inclusion in Nepali Democracy*, Kathmandu, April 24-26
- 2003 "Democracy without Defenders: Tolerant but Alienated Elite in Nepal," Martin Chautari, Kathmandu, April 22

- 2003 "Making Indigenous Peoples-Janajati Movement more Effective: Some Organizational and Strategic Considerations," NEFEN, Kathmandu, April 21
- 2003 "Democracy without Defenders: Tolerant but Alienated Elite in Nepal," the *Western Political Science Association Annual Meeting*, Denver, March 27-29
- 2003 "Political Institutions and Exclusion in a New Democracy: Cross-national Evaluations of Nepali Institutions Using Majoritarian and Consensus Framework," GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh, January 31; Asian Studies Program, University of Pittsburgh, November 15
- 2002 "Inclusive Democratic Norms for Multicultural Societies," *the 34th Annual Meeting of the Northeastern Political Science Association and International Studies Association - Northeastern*, Providence, RI, November 7-9
- 2002 "The Centralized Polity and the Growth of the Maoist Insurgency," the *War on Terrorism: Terrorism as War*, a pre-conference panel, the *31st Annual Conference on South Asia*, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 10
- 2002 "Roundtable Discussion of ANHS 2002 Pre-Conference on the Maoist Rebellion in Nepal," with Arjun Guneratne, Mary Des Chene, Kanak Dixit, John Metz, et al., published in *Himalaya*, XIII (1): 61-74, October 10
- 2002 "The Constitution as an Exclusionary Tool: Political Institutions and Political Exclusion in Nepal," *the 31st Annual Conference on South Asia*, University of Wisconsin, Madison, October 12
- 2002 "Exclusionary Democratization: Multicultural Society, Majoritarian Institutions, and Political Exclusion in Nepal," GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh, June 25
- 2002 "Exclusion from the Excluded: Minority Women and Women's Movement in Nepal," Conference on *Transcending Boundaries: Uniting in the face of Adversity*, University of Pittsburgh, March 28-29
- 2002 "Breakdown of Democracy: The Maoist Insurgency and the State of Emergency Declaration in Nepal," the Asia-Pacific Seminar Series, University Center for International Studies, University of Pittsburgh
- 2001 "Sambidhan Sansodhan wa Paribartanko Sandharvama Adibasi/Janajatilai Sametne Abadharana," (Concepts for Inclusion of Indigenous Peoples/ Nationalities in the Context of Constitution Amendment or Change), *the World Indigenous Peoples Day Seminar*, Kathmandu, August 8
- 2001 Panelist in a Roundtable "Panchayatko Shradh," Martin Chautari, Kathmandu with Dr. Meena Acharya, Padam Thakurathi, and Dirgharaj Prasain, March
- 2001 "Cultural Imperialism: An Overarching Framework of Domination in Nepal," a paper presented at Martin Chautari, Kathmandu, March
- 2001 "Exclusionary Democratization: The Politics of Minority Domination in Nepal," NEFEN, Kathmandu, April 8
- 2001 "Exclusionary Democratization: The Politics of Minority Domination in Nepal," *Workshop on Visions for Grassroots Democracy in South Asia*, the Center for Studies of Developing Societies, Delhi, March 19-21; *International Conference on Dialogue on Democracy and Pluralism in South Asia*, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi, March 14-17
- 2000 Invited Participant, International IDEA Democracy Forum 2000, *Democracy and Poverty: A Missing Link?* Stockholm, Sweden, summer

- 1999 "Democracy in the Doldrums? Evaluating a Decade of Democratic Experience in Nepal," Asia-Pacific Seminar Series, Asian Studies Program, University of Pittsburgh, October 27
- 1999 "Inappropriate Choice? Majoritarian Model of Democracy in a Multicultural Nation-State," Martin Chautari, Kathmandu, December
- 1999 "Democracy at Risk? Majoritarian Model of Democracy in a Multicultural Nation-State," the Annual Ph.D. Colloquium, GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh
- 1998 "Addressing Ethnic Minority Rights through Federalism in Nepal," the Annual Ph.D. Colloquium, GSPIA, March 27
- 1997 "Rains Always Follow the Forest: An Assessment of the Hawaii Tropical Forest Recovery Action Plan 1994," East-West Center, Honolulu, February 24

MEDIA APPEARANCES

Numerous interviews in print, TV, radio, and online outlets in Nepal, the USA, India, Australia, and Portugal

REVIEWS

American Journal of Sociology, Himalaya: The Journal of the Association for Nepal and Himalayan Studies, Journal of Asian and African Studies, SNV Nepal, East-West Center Washington

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

- 2005-2009 Council Member, ANHS
- 2007 Organizing two panels at the 36th Annual South Asia Conference, "Identity Politics in Nepal" and "2006 Transition: Method, Consequences, and Challenges"
- 2006 Organized a panel at the 35th Annual South Asia Conference, 2006, "Assessing Democratic Experience in Nepal, 1990-2002," chair of the panel
- 2006 Discussant, "Politics, Democracy, and Conflict II," First Annual Himalayan Policy Research Conference, Madison, October 19
- 2006 Chair, "Dissent and Mobilization in Asia," 64th Annual Meeting of Midwest Political Science Association Meeting, Chicago, April 22
- 2005 Organized four panels on Contentious Politics and Democratization in Nepal during the Annual South Asia Conference, Madison, Wisconsin, October 7-9
- 2005 Discussant, "Causes, Strategies, and Consequences of the Maoist Insurgency in Nepal," Madison, October 7
- 2005 Discussant, "Democracy, Conflict, and the State in Nepal," Madison, October 7
- 2005 Chair, "Explaining Ethnic Violence in South Asia," Annual Meeting of International Studies Association, Honolulu, HI, March 2

MEMBERSHIP OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

American Political Science Association (APSA); Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA); Association of Nepal and Himalayan Studies (ANHS); Nepal Engineers Association (NEA), life member

SERVICES AND MEMBERSHIP IN VOLUNTARY ASSOCIATIONS

Nepal Red Cross Society, life member; Society of Ex-Budhanilkantha Students (SEBS), life member; Chief Advisor, Kirat Yakthung Chumlung - USA

COURSES TAUGHT

Graduate: Development Administration Seminar; Administration in Developing Countries; The Political Environment of Public Administration; Political Development in the Third World; Ethics in Public and International Affairs; Seminar in Rural Development

Undergraduate: Introduction to Comparative Politics; International Politics; Politics and Government in South Asia; Nationalism and Ethnic Conflict; Social Movements and Violent Conflict; International Development; Governmental Framework

RESEARCH AND PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research and Teaching Experience

RESEARCH SCHOLAR, Nepal South Asia Center (NESAC), Kathmandu, Nepal, 2000-2001

GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT, GSPIA & Carnegie Mellon University, 9-12/1999

RESIDENT TEACHING ASSISTANT, summer 1999, Pennsylvania Governor's School for International Studies, University of Pittsburgh

GRADUATE STUDENT ASSISTANT, GSPIA, University of Pittsburgh, 9/1997-12/1999

LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

MEMBER OF THE AD-HOC COMMITTEE, Indigenous Nationalities Civil Society Forum, Nepal, 2006
COORDINATOR, Indigenous Peoples Subcommittee, National Preparation Committee of NGOs for the World Conference against Racism (WCAR) 2001- Nepal, 2000-2001

FOUNDING MEMBER, South Asians for Human Rights (SAHR), Rajasthan, India, 2000

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE, Doctoral Committee, GSPIA, 1998/1999

CHAIRPERSON, Monday Noon Seminar Series, East-West Center, Honolulu, 1996/1997

MEMBER, Center-Wide Education Council (CWEC), East-West Center, 1996/1997

BOARD MEMBER, University Students of Urban and Regional Planning, UHM, 1996/1997

MEMBER, Monday Noon Seminar Series, East-West Center, Honolulu, 1995/1996

TREASURER, East-West Center Nepali Society, East-West Center, 1995/1996

ACADEMIC SECRETARY, Foreign Students Association, Calicut University, India, 1989/1990

GENERAL SECRETARY, VICE PRESIDENT, and FOUNDER, Society of Ex-Budhanilkantha Studentes (SEBS), Nepal, 1982-1983

SCOUT INSTRUCTOR, 1979-1981, Budhanilkantha School, Kathmandu, Nepal

LANGUAGES *Nepali and English*, fluent; *Hindi*, good command; *Limbu*, basic understanding