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Education

Cambridge Security Initiative

July – August 2024

International Security and Intelligence Programme

- Completed the programme held at **Emmanuel College, Cambridge** with **Distinction grade (72%)**
- Research was focused on the **Quad's information sharing efforts and the IPMDA initiative**

St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Kolkata

2021 - 2023

Masters in Political Science

- Graduated from the programme with **First Class** grade and 7.27 CGPA
- Dissertation – “*Evolution of India's Imaginations of the Indo-Pacific*” – analysed the evolution of the Indo-Pacific concept in the Indian context using constructivism

St. Xavier's College (Autonomous), Mumbai

2018 -2021

Bachelors in Political Science

- Graduated from the programme with **Distinction** grade and 9.65 CGPA, **Rank 1**

Work Experience

St. Thomas College (Autonomous), Palai, Kerala

August 2024 – Present

Assistant Professor

- Teaching both bachelor's and master's students, and supervising their dissertation work.
- Courses being taught include Research Methodology in Political Science, International Relations Theory, Indian Political Thought, Environmental Politics and Human Rights.

Takshashila Institution

July 2024 – Present

Network for Advanced Study of China (NASC) Fellow

- Part of a fellowship that aims to create high quality scholarship of the People's Republic of China.
- Working on a research paper that examines the influence of the Communist Party of China on the Communist Party of India (Marxist).

WoRisGo

Oct – Dec 2021

Geopolitical Risk Intelligence Intern

- Focused on the Americas and provided regular security updates regarding the region.
- Assisted Security Analysts in preparing Weekly reports on issues in the same region.

Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA)

August 2020

Research Intern

- Reported directly to the State Nodal Officer and assisted in preparing official reports.
- Studied the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and its implications on the education sector in Kerala.

Publications

- **Making Sense of India-Bhutan Development Partnership**
<https://moderndiplomacy.eu/2024/04/16/making-sense-of-india-bhutan-development-partnership/>
- **Middle Power Minilateralism: An Effective Indo-Pacific Strategy for India?**
<https://southasianvoices.org/middle-power-minilateralism-an-effective-indo-pacific-strategy-for-india/>
- **Taking Stock of India's Evolving Unmanned Undersea Capabilities**
<https://thediplomat.com/2023/08/taking-stock-of-indias-evolving-unmanned-undersea-capabilities/>
- **New York Dreams: Kerala's Subnational Diplomacy**
<https://thediplomat.com/2023/06/new-york-dreams-keralas-subnational-diplomacy/>
- **India's role in Afghanistan: Concerns, Strategies, and the way forward**
[Joseph, B., & Sabu, S. \(2021\). India's role in Afghanistan: Concerns, Strategies and the Way Forward. *Samvad* 2020-21, 55-58.](#)
- **India and Nepal: Changing relations in 2020**
<https://xaviers.ac/files/magazine/dpt/eidos/EIDOS%202020-21.pdf>

Paper Presentations

- **India's National Security: Challenges and Responses**
Authored and presented the paper '*India's Trilateral Engagements in the Indo-Pacific: Implications for Regional Security*' at the National Seminar organized by Central University of Kerala.
- **VIJIGISHU 2023**
Authored and presented the paper '*India in the South Pacific: Examining New Delhi's role as a Zone Balancer*' at Amity University, Noida.

Awards and Prizes

- **Fr. Huart Scholarship** for Academic Performance (2021-2023)
- Qualified **UGC National Eligibility Test (NET) for Assistant Professor** in December 2023.
- Received the **Best Paper Award** for presenting the paper '*India in the South Pacific: Examining New Delhi's role as a Zone Balancer*' at Amity University, Noida.

Certificate Courses

- **Online Course on Qualitative Research Methods** – IIMAD (1st Feb to 1st March)
- **Qualitative Research Methods Bootcamp** – Strategic Policy Group (3rd July to 7th July, 2023)
- **Survey Research and Analysis in Public Policy** – CPPR (18th Feb to 4th March, 2023)
- **Moral Foundations of Politics** – Yale University (April 2020) – Coursera
- **Global Diplomacy – Diplomacy in the Modern World** – University of London (April 2020) – Coursera

Volunteering Experience

Child Rights and You (CRY)

Oct – Nov 2020

- Participated in CRY's Short Term Volunteering Program during the Covid-19 lockdown.
- Engaged in several activities over a period of 9 weeks that helped spread awareness on child rights issues.

Akanksha Foundation

Aug – Oct 2018

- Worked at a school run by the NGO and assisted the teachers as well as the students in their day-to-day activities.