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**SUMMARY OF QUALIFICATIONS**

With over a decade of experience as an Assistant Professor of Conflict and Peace Studies at Mid-West University, I have been deeply engaged in teaching, research, and public policy initiatives. My research primarily focuses on democracy, federalism, governance, human rights, and peacebuilding. I am actively involved in various research projects, including studies on the challenges of federalism and budget credibility in Karnali Province. I also lead a policy research institute and facilitate policy dialogues and capacity-building initiatives within Nepal's federal structure.

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**EDUCATION**

- **Summer University on Federalism, Decentralization, and Conflict Resolution**  
Institute of Federalism, University of Fribourg, 2022
  - **Bachelor of Laws (LLB)**  
Tribhuvan University, Nepal (2014–2017)
  - **Master of Arts (MA) in Conflict, Peace, and Development Studies**  
Tribhuvan University, Nepal (in collaboration with NMBU, Norway, and University of Ruhuna, Sri Lanka) (2007–2009)
  - **Bachelor of Arts (BA) in English Literature, Sociology, and Anthropology**  
Tribhuvan University, Nepal (2003–2006)
  - **Proficiency Certificate Level (PCL) in Economics, English Literature, and Nepalese History, Culture, and Archaeology**  
Tribhuvan University, Nepal (2000–2002)
  - **School Leaving Certificate (SLC)**  
Government of Nepal, 2000
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**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

**Mid-West University, Surkhet, Nepal**

Assistant Professor (Conflict and Peace Studies), March 2012 – Present

- Supervise master's students and mentor their research projects.
- Conduct and publish research on conflict resolution, governance, and peacebuilding.
- Coordinate curriculum development and act as Head of Department (2020–2023).

**Serophero.com (Online Media)**

Copy Editor, May 2017 – March 2020

- Edited news content and wrote editorial pieces on governance, conflict, and public policy.

**Government of Nepal, Ministry of Peace and Reconstruction, Local Peace Committee, Jumla**

Office Secretary (Peace Officer), October 2011 – March 2012

- Facilitated coordination among civil societies, political parties, and government agencies in post-conflict settings.

## Rajdhani National Daily

Sub-editor/Reporter, October 2009 – January 2011

- Reported on foreign affairs and the peace process during Nepal's post-conflict transition.

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## PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

- Mediation and negotiation of disputes
- Capacity development in governance, human rights, and conflict management
- Facilitation of training on law, leadership, and youth empowerment

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## LANGUAGES

- Nepali, English, Hindi, Tharu

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## LEADERSHIP AND AFFILIATIONS

- **President**, Hriti Foundation (Public Policy Think Tank, Karnali Province)
- **Coordinator**, Karnali Utsav: Kuda Karnalika (A Public Policy Festival)
- **Head of Department**, Conflict and Peace Studies, Mid-West University (2020–2023)
- **Editorial Board Member**, Nepali Journal of Social Research
- **Advocate**, Nepal Bar Council
- **General Member**, Federation of Nepali Journalists
- **Life Member**, Tribhuvan Community Library, Bardiya, Nepal

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## PUBLICATIONS

- **Lamsal, K.R.**, "Role of Local Government to Combat Global Pandemic: A Case of Birendranagar Municipality," EROPA Conference 2022 (Unpublished).
- **Lamsal, K.R.**, "Federalism as a Means of Political Participation of Minorities: A Study of Surkhet District in Nepal," IFF Working Paper No. 38, Fribourg, 2023.
- **Lamsal, K.R.**, "Security Dynamics and Overhauling of Nepali Army," *Nepali Journal of Social Research*, 2022.
- **Lamsal, K.R.**, "Conflict and Peace Studies in Nepal: A Need Assessment," *Nepali Journal of Social Research*, 2019.
- **Lamsal, K.R.**, *Ethnic Movements in Nepal: A Trend Analysis*, Lambert Academic Publishing, 2012.

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## RESEARCH PROJECTS AND TRAINING

- **Lead Researcher**, "Province and Local Government's Budget Credibility in Karnali," Hriti Foundation & UNDP/EU Support to Inclusive Federalism.
- **Team Member**, "Challenges in Sub-National Governance: A Study of Karnali Province," Hriti Foundation, KUSOM Policy Lab, and GIZ Nepal.
- **Team Leader**, Capacity Development Plan for Local Levels in Karnali (Peace ERA Nepal Pvt. Ltd.).
- **Facilitator**, Policy Dialogue on Inclusive Federalism, Mid-West University Policy Lab.