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## Introduction

I am a Ph.D. candidate in Economics at West Virginia University. My research interests include regional/public economics of American health and energy issues. My research methods include causal inferences with machine learning.

## Education

Pursuing Ph.D. in Economics, West Virginia University, U.S.A., 2016-2020.

M.A. in Economics, Tribhuvan University (TU), Nepal, 2010-2012.

B.A. Economics, Tribhuvan University (TU), Nepal, 2006-2009.

Diploma in Architectural Engineering, Thapathali Engineering Campus, TU, Nepal, 2003-2006

## Experiences

Graduate Teaching Assistance, West Virginia University (WVU), Aug 2018–till present.

Econ 721: Mathematical Economics (First year PhD Econ course, teaching assistant and teaching 30% of course)

Econ 202: An introduction to Macroeconomics

Econ 225: Elementary Business and Economic Statistics

BUDA 550: Business Data Visualization course of Business and Data Analytic (Online course design). Click here: [|ggplot2|Shiny Part-1|Shiny Part-2|](#)

Graduate Research Assistance, Regional Research Institute (RRI), West Virginia University (WVU), Aug 2016–Aug 2018.

I am a back-end programmer/economist. I construct the database for the WVU Econometric Input-Output (ECIO) model. I scrape and manage the large databases from BEA.gov, BLS.gov, fred.stlouisfed.org, census.gov and other various source.

Economic Consultant, National Planning Commission, Nepal, Mar 2016–Jul 2016.

I contribute on 14-th National Plan of Nepal. I forecasted several macroeconomic series and designed the Financial Programming and Policies template recommended by International Monetary Fund (IMF) for Nepal.

I have several economic consultancy and teaching experiences at Nepal. I taught undergraduate and graduate level microeconomics, macroeconomics as well as statistics using R (during 2012–2016).

## Published Papers

Electricity Consumption and Economic Growth: Empirical Evidence from a Resource-Rich Landlocked Economy, with Rabindra Nepal & Kishor Sharma, *International Journal of Global Energy Issues*, 2018.

Possible Decision Rules to Allocate Quotas and Reservations to Ensure Equity for Nepalese Poor, with Nabraj Lama, *Economic Journal of Development Issues*, 2014.

Book Review: Currency Politics: The Political Economy of Exchange Rate Policy, The Review of Regional Studies, 2018

## Submitted Papers

The Political Economy of Vermont's Anti-Fracking Movement, with Alexandre Scarcioffolo & Joshua C. Hall, Revised and Resubmitted.

Federal Regulations and Energy Sectors of the United States: A Panel ARDL Approach", with Joshua C. Hall & Jim E. Payne, Revised and Resubmitted.

The Dark Side of the Shale Boom-Increased Crime among Economically-small, Relatively Rural American States, under-review

## Working Papers

Heterogeneous Treatment Effects of Insurance on Health Outcomes and Optimal Policy Learning: Evidences from Oregon Health Insurance Experiment.

Impact of Must Access Prescription Drug Monitoring Program: A Generalized Synthetic Control Approach".

Productivity and Compensation Gap in US - Mixing Spatial and Trade Network Dependency Approach using Commodity Flow Survey, with Alicia Morgan Plemmons

Quantifying the Announcement Effects in the US Lumber Market, with Zarina Ismailova, Xiaoli L. Etienne & Fabio Mattos.

Regional Institutional Quality and Start up Activities in the US.

How the U.S. Oil and Gas Producers Respond on Prices: A Pre and Post Shale Boom Analysis, with Bingxin Li & Xiaoli L. Etienne.

California Proposition 8: Voters Reject the Fair Pricing for Dialysis Act, with Tuyen Pham

## Papers Underdevelopment

What Do Right-to-Work Laws Do for Industries? Causal Evidences from Michigan: A Synthetic Control Method Approach

Efficiency Test of Commodity Futures Market with Feiyu Liu

California Proposition 8: Voters Reject the Fair Pricing for Dialysis Act with Tuyen Pham

## Conference Presentations

Evolution of Sectorial Hubs and Authorities in U.S, Proc. *The Southern Regional Science Association (SRSA)*, Mar 2017 at Tennessee.

Evolution of Sectorial Linkages, Leakages and Landscapes of U.S, Proc. *Applied Economics and Regional Science (AERS)*, Apr 2017 at Ohio.

Labor Compensation Spillover in U.S. - Mixing Spatial and Trade Network Dependency Approach using Commodity Flow Survey, *The Southern Regional Science Association (SRSA)*, Mar 2018 at Philadelphia.

Regional Institutional Quality and Start up Activities in US, *The North American Regional Science Council (NARSC)*, Nov 2018 at San Antonio Texas.

Heterogeneous Treatment Effects of Insurance on Health Outcomes and Optimal Policy Learning: Evidences from Oregon Health Experiment, *YSI North America Convening*, Feb 2019 at USC Dornsife, Los Angeles.

Regional Institutional Quality and Start up Activities in US, *The Public Choice Society*, Mar 2019 at Louisville Kentucky.

The Dark Side of the Shale Boom-Increased Crime among Economically-small, Relatively Rural American States Generalized Synthetic Control Approach, *The Southern Regional Science Association (SRSA)*, Apr 2019 at Washington, DC.

## Referee

Papers in Regional Science

## Workshops

SANDEE, Summer School in Environmental and Resource Economics at Asian Institute of Technology, Bangkok, Thailand, 2016

Summer Empirical Workshop at West Virginia University 2018.

## Language

Nepalese (Native), English, Hindi, R, Python, Eviews, Latex

## Codes & Tutorials

AusElectricity: Open sourced script to Download the Historical Data of Aggregated Price and Demand of National Electricity Market of Australia.

Tutorials on Non-parametric econometrics.

Tutorials on Statistical Learning Theories.

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