#### **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Behavioral and experimental economics; environmental economics: public goods, common pool resource management; consumer preferences

# **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Applied Economics (Expected Graduation - Fall, 2021)

Oregon State University, USA

GPA: 3.69 / 4.00

M.Sc., Agricultural Economics (August 2017)

University of Nebraska - Lincoln, USA

GPA: 3.90/4.00

B.Sc., Agriculture (March 2014)

Wayamba University of Sri Lanka

Specialization: Agri Business Management

GPA: 3.53/4.00

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE AND PUBLICATIONS

# Peer- reviewed journal papers

Weerasekara, N. D. K., Jayasinghe-Mudalige, U. K., Ikram, S. M. M., Udugama, J. M. M., Edirisinghe, J. C. and Herath, H. M. L. K. (2014). "Firms' Responsive Towards Quality Management in Bottled Drinking Water Manufacturing Industry in Sri Lanka". *Sri Lanka Journal of Economic Research*, 2(1): 67 - 78.

# Peer- reviewed conference papers and presentations

**Weerasekara, N. D. K.,** Jayasinghe-Mudalige, U. K., Ikram, S. M. M., Udugama, J. M. M., Herath, H. M. T. K., Edirisinghe, J. C. and Herath, H. M. L. K. (2013). "Food Safety Responsiveness of Bottled Water Manufacturers: An Empirical Investigation". *proceedings of 2<sup>nd</sup> International Economic Research Conference*, University of Peradeniya, Peradeniya, 43-49 (presented on 13<sup>th</sup> -14<sup>th</sup> December 2013).

Weerasekara, N. D. K., Jayasinghe-Mudalige, U. K., Ikram, S. M. M., Udugama, J. M. M., Herath, H. M. T. K., Edirisinghe, J. C. and Herath, H. M. L. K. (2013). "Constraints and Incentives for Bottled Drinking Water Manufacturing Firms in Sri Lanka to adopt HACCP Food Safety and Quality Metasystem-A Discriminant

Analysis". *proceedings of 12<sup>th</sup> Agricultural Research Symposium*, Wayamba University of Sri Lanka, Makandura, Gonawila, 429-433 (presented on 30<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2013).

#### **Abstracts**

Weerasekara, N. D. K. (2013). "Risk Management in Agribusiness", proceedings of 8<sup>th</sup>In-Plant Training Symposium, Wayamba University of Sri Lanka, Makandura, Gonawila, 53-54.

### Poster Presentations

Weerasekara, N. D. K., Streletskaya, N., Li, J. (2019). "Wine tasting: consumer preferences for wine, choice, and sensory information", *AAEA*, Atlanta, Georgia.

Weerasekara, N. D. K., Banerjee, S., Mukherjee, Z. (2016). "Do regulations on fishery resource management affect spatial competition among processors", *Heartland Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop*, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Illinois.

Yinrou, W., **Weerasekara, N. D. K.** and Banerjee, S. (2016). "Economics of Fishing: An Application to Eastern India", *Summer Research Symposium*, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

#### **Articles**

Banerjee, S., Mukherjee, Z. and **Weerasekara, N. D. K.** "Understanding the Economic Characteristics of a Developing Country Marine Fishery— A Case Study of the Digha-Shankarpur Fishery in Eastern India", *Cornhusker Economics*, Sep. 21, 2016.

#### **Thesis**

**Weerasekara**, **N. D. K.** (2017). "An Economic Analysis of a Total Allowable Catch-Individual Transferable Quota System in a Developing Country Heterogeneous Fishery: An Application to the Digha Fishery in West Bengal, India", *digitalcommons.unl.edu*.

# Projects worked on

Experimenter for the project "Towards Successful Fundraising Campaigns: Social Networks and their Role in Threshold Public Goods Games" under the supervision of Dr. Simanti Banerjee, University of Nebraska-Lincoln.

#### PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

- CAPM (Certified Associate in Project Management) preparation training program conducted by the Project Management Solutions (PMS), certified under Project Management Institute (PMI)
- Special Higher National Diploma in Computer Science, Infortec International, Sri Lanka

# SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

- Graduate research/teaching assistantship awarded by the Oregon State University, USA, 2017 Fall
- Graduate research assistantship awarded by the University of Nebraska, Lincoln, USA, 2015 Fall
- Excellence at G.C.E. Advanced level examination (2008) Swarnamali Girls' School, Sri Lanka
- Best project award at the competition organized by the Sri Lanka Environment conservation organization (2001)

# **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

- Lab manager, Applied Experimental Economics Lab (AEELab), Oregon State University (since August 2018)
- Treasurer, Agri Econ Graduate Student Association, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Nebraska-Lincoln (since 2016-2017)
- Co-coordinator, 9th In-Plant Training Symposium (2014), Wayamba University of Sri Lanka
- Member, logistic committee, Agriculture Research Symposium (2013), Wayamba University of Sri Lanka
- Member, publication committee, In-plant Training Symposium (2013), Wayamba University of Sri Lanka

# **OTHER**

Languages: Sinhala (First language), English

Citizenship: Sri Lanka

Interests: Hand-made cards (Blog: http://fairygreetings.blogspot.com), scrap books

# ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Oregon State University, USA

For Dr. Nadia Streletskaya; AEC 221 - Agricultural Marketing and Policy (Spring 2019)

For Dr. Nadia Streletskaya; AEC 311- Intermediate Applied Econ I (Winter 2019)

Graduate Teaching Assistant, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, USA

For Dr. Simanti Banerjee; AECN 265 - Environment and Resource Economics I (Spring 2016)

Student Mentor, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, USA

Wang Yinrou, undergraduate, summer research program 2016