

CURRICULUM VITAE

Introduction

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Teaching experience

1. Assistant Professor of Political Science, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL), Punjab from 6 February 2017.
2. Academic Counsellor for M.A. Political Science, Directorate of Open and Distance Learning, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh from 11 December 2016 to 28 January 2017.

Awards and fellowships

1. University Grants Commission National Eligibility Test (UGC NET) Eligibility for Assistant Professor in Political Science, July 2016.
2. University Grants Commission National Eligibility Test (UGC NET) Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and Eligibility for Lectureship in International and Area Studies, December 2009 – Junior Research Fellow (2011-13); Senior Research Fellow (2013-16).
3. Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Fund Merit Award (2008-09) for securing first position in M.A. examination.

Educational qualifications

1. Ph.D. candidate, Chinese Studies Division, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.
Thesis title: *Soft Power in China's Foreign Policy: Public Diplomacy and Confucius Institutes, 2004-2013*
2. M.Phil. (2013), Chinese Studies Division, Centre for East Asian Studies, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.
Dissertation: *Soft Power in China's Foreign Policy Discourse, 1997-2011*
Result: FGPA 6.62
3. M.A. (2009), Politics (with specialisation in International Relations), School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.
Result: FGPA 7.87
4. B.A. (2007), Political Science, Dibrugarh H.S. Kanoi College, Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh.
Result: 63.67%
5. Higher Secondary in Science (2004), Dibrugarh H.S. Kanoi College, Assam Higher Secondary Education Council.
Result: 61.4%
6. Matriculation (2001), Don Bosco School, Dibrugarh; Board of Secondary Education, Assam.
Result: 70.83%

Academic Publications

1. "Transition of the People's Republic of China from Mao to Market: An analysis of the political dynamics in the Chinese Communist Party-state (1976-1989)", *Intellectual Quest*, June 2019, 11: 56-73. ISSN 2349-1949
http://iq.cgcta.in/rwe/documents/39e9a_Article.pdf
2. "Cafeteria Method in Contemporary Course Design", Siddhartha Fuller (co-author), in Paramjit S. Jaswal, G.I.S. Sandhu and Manoj Kumar Sharma (eds.), *An Introduction to Teaching Methods in Higher Education*, 2018, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law (RGNUL), Punjab, pp. 81-89. ISBN 978-93-84166-29-8
3. "2018 SCO Summit at Qingdao: An Indian Perspective", *Society for the Study of Peace and Conflict*, New Delhi, 15 June 2018.
<http://www.sspconline.org/opinion/sco-summit-qingdao-indian-perspective> (defunct)
4. "Belt and Road Initiative: A Civilisational Perspective – Part 1", *FINS Website*, Mumbai, 22 May 2018.
<https://finsindia.org/belt-road-initiative/>

5. "Causes of the Failure of Camp David Talks 2000", *JONER* (Journal of North East Region), April 2018, 6 (3): 219-228. ISSN 2321-0583
6. "The Druze of Levant: An Analysis of Historical and Contemporary Issues", in Rajeev Mohan and Mriganka Choudhury (eds.), *Perspectives: A Collection of Essays on Language, Ethnicity and Identity*, 2018, Dept. of English, Tinsukia College, Tinsukia, pp. 757-765. ISBN 987-93-80247-79-3
7. "Illegal Immigration and Insurgency in Assam: Understanding the Role of Bangladesh and Their Impact on India's Strategic Interest in the Region", Pooja Sharma (co-author), *Research Journal of MDKG*, April 2016, 5 (1): 53-62. ISSN 2278-1064
8. "A Report on the Indian Think Tank Delegation to China, December 2015", *BRICS Institute Online*, New Delhi, 11 February 2016.
<http://bricsonline.org/index.php/2015-09-04-11-20-43/latest-articles/item/28-a-report-on-the-indian-think-tank-delegation-to-china-december-2015#sthash>
9. "China's Soft Power Strategy", *FINS Bulletin*, Mumbai, 4 January 2016.
<https://finsindia.org/chinas-soft-power-strategy/>
10. "China's Soft Power Dilemma", *World Focus*, September 2012, XXXIII (9): 65-72. ISSN 2230-8458
11. "Understanding Caste in India: Roots and Dynamics", Ranandra Khaund (co-author), in Nani Gopal Mahanta (ed.), *Society and Politics in North-East India*, 2007, Proceeding Volume of XVIth Annual Conference, North East India Political Science Association (NEIPSA), pp. 59-64.

Seminars, conferences and workshops

1. "The Druze of Levant: An Analysis of Historical and Contemporary Issues", ICSSR Sponsored International Conference on *Language, Ethnicity and Identity: 21st Century Perspectives* organised by English Language Teachers' Association of India (ELT@I) in collaboration with Oil India Limited and Department of English, Tinsukia College on 11-12 February 2017 at Tinsukia College, Tinsukia, Assam.
2. "Cultural Connectivity and Potential Cultural Conflict in BCIM, with Special Reference to India and China", Zhang Yang (co-presenter), International Conference on *The BCIM Initiative and India's Act East Policy* organised by Kolkata Society for Asian Studies, Institute of Foreign Policy Studies University of Calcutta and Indian Council of World Affairs (ICWA), New Delhi on 12-13 January 2017 at University of Calcutta (Alipore Campus), Kolkata, West Bengal.
3. Indian think-tank delegation to Beijing and Shanghai from 15 December to 22 December 2015 hosted by China Foreign Affairs University, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the People's Republic of China.

4. “Understanding Caste in India: Roots and Dynamics”, Ranandra Khaund (co-presenter), North East India Political Science Association (NEIPSA) XVIth Annual Conference held on 3-4 February 2007 at Demow College, Demow, Assam.
5. Delhi Policy Group (DPG) Program on *Developing Peace Processes and Partners*, Student Workshop Series II, III, IV, V (2005-06) held at Dibrugarh University, Dibrugarh.
Simulations: Renegotiating the Bosnian Constitution Five Years after Dayton; Role of the International Community in Conflict Management/ Resolution; Frameworks for a Kashmir Settlement; Ending the Violence – A Scenario for Peace.

RGNUL

1. Co-ordinator, along with Mr. Siddhartha Fuller, Centre for Constitutional Law and Governance (CCLG), RGNUL from 17 June 2019.
2. Organised a CCLG Roundtable Discussion on *India-China Rapprochement after the Doklam Standoff* and two guest lectures on “Chinese Political System: Ancient Chinese Thought and Modern Rising Strategy” and “Chinese Foreign Policy: China's Rise Dilemma and Strategic Choice” by Dr. Xie Chao (Assistant Research Fellow, Institute for International and Area Studies), Tsinghua University, Beijing on 22-23 February 2019 at RGNUL, Patiala, Punjab.
<https://blog.scconline.com/post/2019/03/02/rgnul-centre-for-constitutional-governance-organised-a-roundtable-discussion-onindia-china-rapprochement-after-the-doklam-standoff/>
3. Organised a workshop on *Gandhian Thought and its Contemporary Relevance*, along with Dr. Rachna Sharma, addressed by Prof. M.L. Sharma (Department of Gandhian and Peace Studies) and Prof. Ashutosh Kumar (Department of Political Science), Panjab University, Chandigarh on 6 October 2018 at RGNUL, Patiala, Punjab.
4. Translated and analysed Assamese language textbooks for the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) Major Research Project on *Human Rights Education in Schools in India: A Comparative Study of Syllabus Prescribed by State Education Boards* for Dr. Shilpa Jain and Dr. Shruti Goel, Assistant Professors of Law at RGNUL (2017-18).
5. Member, Internal Quality Assessment Cell (IQAC), RGNUL from 15 May 2018.
6. Member, TedxRGNUL 3.0 *Insights*, held on 8 April 2018.
<https://www.ted.com/tedx/events/25945>
7. Member, Admissions Committee, RGNUL from 30 March 2018.
8. Organised a Panel Discussion on *India's National Security: How Well Are We Prepared?* along with Dr. Shveta Dhaliwal and Think India, addressed by Lt. Gen.

B.S. Jaswal (retd.), Prof. Veer Singh (retd.) and Mr. V.K. Kapoor, IPS (retd.) on 15 February 2018 at RGNUL, Patiala, Punjab.

9. Organised a *Workshop on Political Science*, along with Dr. Shveta Dhaliwal, addressed by Prof. Ashutosh Kumar and Dr. Deepak Kumar Singh (Department of Political Science, Panjab University, Chandigarh) on 19 August 2017 at RGNUL, Patiala, Punjab.

FINS

1. Delegate at SAGAR (Security And Growth for All in the Region) Discourse 1.0 organised by Forum for Integrated National Security (FINS) in association with Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India, Norwegian Embassy, New Delhi and Innovation Norway held on 12-14 October 2017 at The Leela, Goa.
2. “Belt and Road Initiative: Chinese Perspectives and Indian Options” presented in Forum for Integrated National Security (FINS) Young Strategists’ Summit 2017 (Western Region) held on 14-15 July 2017 at The Maharaja Sayajirao University of Baroda, Vadodara, Gujarat.
3. Review Committee (via Skype) in Forum for Integrated National Security (FINS) Young Thinkers’ Programme III held on 11 June 2017 at Mumbai, Maharashtra.
4. Review Committee (via Skype) in Forum for Integrated National Security (FINS) Young Thinkers’ Programme I held on 18 December 2016 at Mumbai, Maharashtra.
5. “China’s Soft Power Strategy” presented in Forum for Integrated National Security (FINS) Thinker’s Meet on *Power of Soft Power* held on 22 November 2015 at Gujarat National Law University, Gandhinagar, Gujarat.

Extra courses taken

1. International Workshop on Academic Writing from 14 to 17 November 2018 at RGNUL, Patiala, Punjab.
2. Two Week Certificate Course on “An Introduction to Philosophy and Philosophy of Law” by Professor Robert Shapiro, Adjunct Professor, St. Xavier University, Chicago and Partner, Barack Ferrazzano, Kirschbaum & Nagelberg LLP from 7 to 16 August 2018 at RGNUL, Patiala, Punjab.
3. One Week Certificate Course on “Philosophy of Human Nature” by Professor Robert Shapiro, Adjunct Professor, St. Xavier University, Chicago and Partner, Barack Ferrazzano, Kirschbaum & Nagelberg LLP from 5 to 9 March 2018 at RGNUL, Patiala, Punjab.
4. Two Week Certificate Course on “Law, the US Constitution and the American Legal System” by Professor Robert Shapiro, Adjunct Professor, St. Xavier University,

Chicago and Partner, Barack Ferrazzano, Kirschbaum & Nagelberg LLP from 7 to 18 August 2017 at RGNUL, Patiala, Punjab.

5. Beginner level 1 certificate course in Chinese (40 hours) at Han You Chinese Language Institute, New Delhi, 15 March 2015.

Extracurricular activities

1. Dialectical Spiritualism, internet blog: 130 articles.
Profile: Blogger (31 January 2010 – 19 June 2016).
<http://dialectalspiritualism.blogspot.in/>
2. Online article: “Age of Reason: Imperialism and Vedic Wisdom”, *16 Rounds to Samadhi*, San Diego, California, 12 December 2012.
<http://www.16rounds.com/2012/12/age-of-reason/> (defunct)
3. Online article: “Arrows of Kama”, *Dandavats*, 30 September 2011.
<http://www.dandavats.com/?p=9932>
4. Samprajna Institute, Albuquerque, New Mexico: Dialectical Spiritualism Project – A Vedic Critique of Marxism.
Profile: Research Associate (May-December 2010) – interviewed scholars in New Delhi, Varanasi and Vadodara.
5. Bhaktivedanta Academy for Culture and Education (BACE), 3rd floor, H. No.- 402/F3 Budh Vihar, Munirka, New Delhi.
Profile: Resident Devotee (August 2007-March 2010) – management and preaching.
6. SPICMACAY Dibrugarh Chapter, Dibrugarh H.S. Kanoi College, Dibrugarh.
Profile: Member (2004-07); Joint Secretary (2005-07) – promotion of Indian classical music.
7. Pilgrimage, Dibrugarh H.S. Kanoi College, Dibrugarh.
Profile: Member (2004-07) – quiz competitions and cultural events.
8. Political Science Study Circle (PSSC), Dibrugarh H.S. Kanoi College, Dibrugarh.
Profile: Rapporteur and Compere (2004-07) – academic and cultural events.

Languages known

English, Hindi, Assamese and Nepali.

Languages used

Chinese (learning)

I hereby declare that the above mentioned are true to the best of my knowledge.

Saurav Sarmah