

DEEP PAL

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EDUCATION

The Jackson School of International Studies, University of Washington 2015-present
PhD student in International Studies *Seattle, WA*

- *Honors and Awards:* Henry M. Jackson Fellowship (2015-2016)

Elliott School of International Affairs, The George Washington University 2012-2014
MA in International Affairs, 3.72 GPA *Washington, DC*

- *Concentrations:* International Security Studies and Asia
- *Thesis:* India-China Relationship Since 1988 - Ensuring Economics trumps Politics
Advisors: Deepa Ollapally (director), Robert Sutter.
- *Courses:* International Security Politics, Chinese Foreign Policy, Nuclear Proliferation / Nonproliferation, International relations of South Asia, Politics of China, Applied Quantitative Analysis, Political Risk Analysis
- *Honors and Awards:* High Honors Fellowship (2012-2014); Sigur Center language study grant (2013); Freeman Foundation International Fellowship (2013); Mentor, Elliott School Undergraduate Scholars Program (2013-2014)

Mandarin Training Center, National Taiwan Normal University Jun '13 - Aug '13
Summer course in Basic Mandarin Chinese *Taipei, Taiwan*

Convergence Institute of Media, Management and IT Studies 2001-2003
MA in Audio-Visual Communication *Bangalore, India*

- Degree from Makhanlal Chaturvedi Rashtriya Patrakarita Viswavidyalaya, Bhopal

Presidency College 1998-2001
BA, majoring in Philosophy with Political Science *Kolkata, India*

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Space Security Initiative, International Policy Institute, JSIS Oct '15 - Present
Seattle, WA
Junior Fellow

- Research space security policy of Asian powers in general, and India in particular as part of the Space Security Initiative at the International Policy Institute in Jackson School of International Studies. Focus on technology development, industrial strategy, domestic politics, international relations, military security, and environmental protection; key challenges and opportunities in outer space over the next decade; national and global space policy, strategy, and business development aspects of space policy.

The National Bureau of Asian Research

Research Affiliate, Political and Security Affairs

Oct '14 - Sep '15

Washington, DC

- Research support and writing: Provide substantive research assistance for project teams, provide market research, summarize research papers, and undertake literature reviews (such as [Mapping Pakistan's Internal Dynamics](#), Strategic Asia 2015–16). Write topical op-eds, analysis or commentary pieces on foreign and security policy developments in Asia for NBR's publications and external websites and journals.
- Publications support: Review, fact-check, proof-read and format publications as well as assist with publications distribution, mailings, etc. (such as India Caucus publications, [Commentary and Q&As](#), Strategic Asia 2014–15).
- Project assistance and design, and database administration: Help conceptualize project ideas and draft proposals; proof-read project descriptions, concept papers, as well as help maintain project documentation, web-pages, and filing systems; maintain and update project databases and research for institutional and project databases.
- Event Planning and participation: Provide administrative support to conferences, workshops, presentations, and briefings, including drafting agendas; assisting with travel, accommodation, and venue arrangements, etc. provide research for, as well as participate in and contribute to workshops and business development meetings.

CSIS Freeman Chair in China Studies

Researcher

Aug '13 - Sep '14

Washington, DC

- Conducted research on Chinese foreign and security policy in East and Southeast Asia, US-China bilateral relations, and cross-straits relations and provided research for special reports ([Taiwan's Quest for Greater International Space](#)) for Bonnie Glaser.
- Assisted in preparing congressional testimonies (such as for [US-China Economic and Security Review Commission](#) and for [House Foreign Affairs Subcommittee on the Asia Pacific](#)), speeches, and presentations (such as for DIA and PACOM) as well as in writing grant proposals.
- Supported organization of conferences and executive training programs (Japan's Ministry of Defense and Foreign Affairs Ministry, and Taiwan's Ministry of National Defense), managing both up and down, attendance, logistics and program agenda.
- Managed distribution lists and sent out daily Asia news briefings to senior staff.

IIR, National Chengchi University

Research Assistant

Jun '13 - Aug '13

Taipei, Taiwan

- Assisted scholars in research and resourcing archival material for their work.
- Worked with research fellow Raviprasad Narayanan in ongoing project "Looking to a Confident Future: Examining Sino-Indian Relations as a Confidence Building Measure."

NSSP, GWU

Research Assistant

Nov '12 - Apr '13

Washington, DC

- Assisted the National Security Studies Program in research and design of its executive education course for personnel from defense, intelligence and other federal agencies.
- Helped design and execute final simulation involving the U.S., India and China.
- Mentored participants on media behavior, and appropriate strategy during crises.

Times Now*Deputy News Editor***Jul '09 - May '12***Mumbai, India*

- Planned, produced and presented television shows on national and international strategic issues.
- Major stories include President Obama's 2010 India visit, Osama Bin Laden's death, South China Sea dispute, 2008 Mumbai terrorist attacks, Indo-Pak relations.
- Responsible for on-air presentation and for taking time-sensitive editorial decisions.
- Interviewed Pakistan government and army representatives post 26/11 and Osama Bin Laden's death; interviewed foreign policy analysts on Sino-Indian relations.
- Responsible for managing and mentoring teams of 20 or more individuals.

CNBC Awaaz*Principal Correspondent***Apr '05 - Jul '09***Mumbai, India*

- Planned and supervised shows on the federal budget, fiscal and monetary policy.
- Monitored IT and Real Estate sectors, conceiving, developing and presenting shows on effect of other economies such as China and Brazil on India.

Headlines Today and Aaj Tak*Reporter***Feb '03 - Apr '05***Bangalore, India*

- Covered politics, science and technology, sports and business in English and Hindi.
- Reported on aftermath and relief and rescue work of 2004 tsunami in southern India.

SELECT PUBLICATIONS

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- ["Reorienting India's Foreign Policy: Neighborhood First,"](#) *NBR*, January 13, 2016
 - ["Winning and wielding national power in Asia,"](#) *Strategic Review*, January 6, 2016
 - ["Modi Hits a High Note in the US, Now for Action,"](#) *The Quint*, September 29, 2015
 - ["All's Not Well For Xi After Visiting Obama,"](#) *The Quint*, September 26, 2015
 - ["Narendra Modi and Xi Jinping in Washington,"](#) *The Quint*, September 25, 2015
 - ["Why China Doesn't Get Terrorism,"](#) *The Wire.In*, July 20, 2015
 - ["AIIB: An Opportunity for India to Assert Itself,"](#) *The Quint*, July 4, 2015
 - ["China's Regional Grand Strategy and the China Dream,"](#) Regional Security Assessment 2015, *IISS Strategic Dossier*, May 2015
 - ["President Obama's Visit to India: Beyond Symbolism,"](#) *NBR*, January 19, 2015
 - ["Afghanistan-Pakistan: Building Peace, Ensuring Stability,"](#) *NBR*, January 15, 2015
 - ["Is China's Charm Offensive Dead?,"](#) *China Brief*, July 31, 2014
 - ["How China May Still Win Despite Pulling Out its Rig,"](#) *CSIS cogitASIA*, July 23, 2014
 - ["The US' rebalance in 2013,"](#) Regional Security Assessment 2014, *IISS Strategic Dossier*, May 2014
 - ["How India's Politicians are Talking Louder but Saying Less,"](#) *Foreign Policy*, April 10, 2014
 - ["Decoding Narendra Modi's foreign policy,"](#) *Foreign Policy*, March 6, 2014
 - ["China's Periphery Diplomacy Initiative,"](#) *China-US Focus*, November 7, 2013
 - ["A Code of Conduct for the South China Sea?,"](#) *The Diplomat*, September 2013
 - ["How Will China React to a Military Strike on Syria?,"](#) *CSIS*, September 5, 2013