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## EDUCATION

08/2018-	Ph.D. Political Science, <a href="#">Stanford University</a> , <i>Stanford, CA</i> Subfields: <i>Methodology, Comparative Politics</i>
09/2017-07/2018	M.A. Economics, <a href="#">University of British Columbia</a> , <i>Vancouver, BC</i> Thesis: <i>Institutional Persistence and Demographics in South Asia</i>
08/2011-06/2015	B.A. Economics, Political Science, <a href="#">Williams College</a> , <i>Williamstown, MA</i> Thesis: <i>The Political Economy of Voting Behaviour and Migration: Nepal (1999-2010)</i>

## EMPLOYMENT

09/2017-	Research Consultant, <a href="#">Seto Lab</a> , <i>Yale University, Remote</i>
10/2017-	Research Assistant, Professor <a href="#">Joshua Gottlieb</a> , <i>UBC, Vancouver, BC</i>
07/2015 - 07/2017	Statistical Programmer, <a href="#">Acumen, LLC / The Sphere Institute</a> , <i>Burlingame, CA</i>
01/2015 - 01/2016	Research Assistant, Professor <a href="#">Anand Swamy</a> , <i>Williams College, Williamstown, MA</i>
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05-08/2014	Summer Research Intern, <a href="#">Economic Policy Research Institute</a> , <i>Cape Town, South Africa</i>
12/2013-02/2014	Research Intern, <a href="#">Centre for the Study of Labour and Mobility</a> , <i>Kathmandu, Nepal</i>
05-08/2012	Research Intern, <a href="#">International Crisis Group</a> , <i>Kathmandu, Nepal</i>

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Economy • Development • Comparative Politics • Applied Econometrics

## SKILLS

Programming Languages	R, Python, Julia, Fortran, Matlab, C/C++, CUDA
Statistical Packages / Visualisation	Stata, SAS, Tableau, D3, Shiny
Markup	LaTeX, Markdown, Pandoc
Spatial	ArcGIS, QGIS, GDAL, GRASS
Systems	Unix (Bash/Zsh/TCsh), CMD/Powershell(Windows)
Languages	English, Nepali, Hindi, Maithili, Bhojpuri, French

## PAPERS

### *Proceedings / Policy Papers*

5. **Lal A.**, Nagavarapu S., Panikashvili N., Luo B. Cozen M., “Access to Durable Medical Equipment for Medicare and Medicaid Dual Enrollees”, prepared for Medicare and Medicaid Coordination Office, Center for Medicare and Medicaid, Department of Health & Human Services, October 2016

4. **Lal A.**, Samson, M., Kurasha, F., Ndoro, R., Huijbregts, N., Yang M., Meintjes C, “*A study to explore the options and make recommendations for the Vertical Expansion of the Child Support Grant*” Commissioned by Department of Social Development of South Africa (DSD), EPRI Working Paper, June 2014.
3. **Lal A.**, Samson M., Ndoro R. “*A Feasibility Assessment of Options to Strengthen the Developmental Impact of the South African Social Security Agency (SASSA) Social Grants Payment System*” - Submitted to the South African Social Security Agency, EPRI Working Paper, July 2014
2. **Lal A.**, Samson M., Ndoro R., Yang M., Jones B., Karim S., Uwera A., “*Social Protection and Agricultural Development: Transformational approaches to strengthening the decent work agenda*”, Commissioned by the Food & Agriculture Organisation (FAO), EPRI working paper, August 2014
1. **Lal A.**, “*The Impact of Remittances on Education Attainment Preferences and Human Capital in Rural Nepal*” , January 2014 , Research Seminar Series, Martin Chautari, Kathmandu, Nepal

## AWARDS AND HONOURS

Fellow, St. John’s College, University of British Columbia (2017-18)

Highest Honours, Williams College (2015)

Class of 1960 Scholar, Economics Department, Williams College (2013-2015)

Kershaw Fellowship in Public Policy, Economics, Williams College (2014)

Williams College Dean’s List (2012-2015)

Robert G. Wilmers Memorial Research Fellowship (2013)

James R. & Harriet W. Dunbar Scholarship at Williams College (2011-2015)

Outstanding Learners Award (Highest Marks in the World in English Literature), Cambridge International Examinations (2011)

## TEACHING

Spring 2018	<b>ECON 102 (Introductory Macroeconomics), UBC</b> , TA for Prof Cheryl Fu
Fall 2017	<b>ECON 101 (Introductory Microeconomics), UBC</b> , TA for Prof Nisha Malhotra
Spring 2015	<b>ECON 516 (International Trade), Williams College</b> , TA for Prof Will Olney

## REFERENCES

Available upon request

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