

NABARUN ROY

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CURRENT DESIGNATION

Assistant Professor (Senior Grade),
Department of International Relations,
Faculty of Social Sciences
South Asian University (SAU),
New Delhi
August 2012 - present

PREVIOUS DESIGNATIONS

Project Officer, Forum of Federations, Ottawa (January - August 2012)

Intern, Forum of Federations, Ottawa, (July 2010 - January 2012)

Graduate Course Instructor, Carleton University, Ottawa (January 2010 - August 2012)

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Carleton University, Ottawa (September 2004 - December 2009)

Program Coordinator, MANFORD Center for Peace, New Delhi (May - July 2003)

EDUCATION

Ph.D. (2011): Department of Political Science, Carleton University, Ottawa K1S 5B6, Canada

Master of Arts (2003): Politics with Specialization in International Relations
School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi - 110067

Bachelor of Arts (2001): History (Honors), Sri Venkateswara College, Delhi University, New Delhi - 110021

PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

Member, University Complaints Committee, South Asian University (2021-22)

Member, University Proctorial Committee, South Asian University (2019-20)

Member, University Complaints Committee, South Asian University (2019-20)

Member, University Complaints Committee, South Asian University (2018-19)

Member, University Complaints Committee, South Asian University (2017-18)

University Representative, SAU Entrance Exams to Thimphu (2013), Colombo (2014), Bengaluru (2015)

TEACHING (Courses taught)

At South Asian University (2012 - present)

Great Powers in the International System (Optional, I Semester, MPhil/PhD program)

History of International Relations (Compulsory, I Semester, MA program)

Comparative Politics (Compulsory, I Semester, MA program)

Research Methods (Compulsory, III Semester, MA program)

War in International Relations (Optional, IV Semester, MA program)

At Carleton University (2004 - 2012)

Graduate Course Instructor in the following courses offered by the Department of Political Science:

International Relations: Global Politics (2nd Year Political Science course)

International Institutions (3rd Year Political Science course)

Advanced International Relations Theory (4th Year (Honors) Political Science course)

Graduate Teaching Assistant in courses offered by the Department of Political Science:

Globalization and Human Rights

Government and Politics in South Asia

North American Defense Policy

Peace and Conflict in the Middle East

Strategic Thought and International Security

The Causes of War

The Politics of Food

The Politics of Human Rights

PUBLICATIONS

Articles

- Rudra Chaudhuri and Nabarun Roy (eds.), *India and the Sovereignty Question*, in *India Review* journal (Special Issue). Issue in production phase with expected online publication in January, 2024.
- Nabarun Roy, “India’s Use of Military Power and the Sovereignty Principle: Insights from the Neighborhood” in Rudra Chaudhuri and Nabarun Roy (ed.), *India and the Sovereignty Question*, in *India Review* journal (Special Issue). Issue in production phase with expected online publication in January 2024.
- Nabarun Roy, “India’s Forgotten Links to the Korean War,” *The Diplomat*, 27 October, 2018
- Nabarun Roy, “Realism in the Study of International Relations in India,” *ORF Issue Brief and Special Reports*, Issue 253, 5 September, 2018
- Nabarun Roy, “Why did Nehru want the People’s Republic of China in the UN?” *The Diplomat*, 7 April 2018
- Nabarun Roy, “In the Shadow of Great Power Politics: Why Nehru Supported PRC’s Admission to the Security Council,” *The International History Review*, Vol. 40, Issue 2 (2018)
- Nabarun Roy, “The Anatomy of a Story Less Told: Nehru and the Balance of Power,” *Journal of Asian Security and International Affairs*, Vol. 3, No. 3 (2016)
- Nabarun Roy, “Assuaging Cold War Anxieties: India and the Failure of SEATO,” *Diplomacy and Statecraft*, Vol. Vol. 26, No. 2 (2015)
- Nabarun Roy, “Is India Losing Russia?” *The National Interest*, 27 October 2016.

Book Chapters

- Brian C. Schmidt and Nabarun Roy, ‘Rising Powers: A Realist Analysis’ in Ramon Pacheco Pardo, Kevork Oskanian, and Rebekka Friedman (eds.), *After Liberalism: The Future of Liberalism in International Relations*. (Houndsmills: Palgrave Macmillan, 2013).
- ‘The Role of ‘Security’ in India-China-Nepal Relations’ in M.D. Dharamdasani (ed.), *Role of Japan and Nepal in Asian Politics* (New Delhi: Gyan Publishing House, 2005)

Book Reviews

- Review of Shashi Tharoor and Samir Saran, *The New World Disorder and the Indian Imperative* in Vol. 16, Issue 2 issue of the *Journal of the Indian Ocean Region* (2020)
- Review of George J. Gilboy and Eric Heginbotham, *Chinese and Indian Strategic Behavior: Growing Power and Alarm* in Vol. 89, No. 2 (March 2013) issue of *International Affairs*
- Review of David Malone, *Does the Elephant Dance? Contemporary Indian Foreign Policy* in Vol. 87, No. 6 (November 2011) issue of *International Affairs*
- Review of Ashok Kapur, *India: From Regional to World Power* in Vol. 32, No. 5 (November 2009) issue of *Journal of Strategic Studies*
- Review of Fareed Zakaria, *The Post-American World* in Vol. 85, No. 4 (July 2009) issue of *International Affairs*
- Review of Harsh Pant, *Contemporary Debates in Indian Foreign and Security Policy: India Negotiates its Rise in the International System* in Vol. 85, No. 1 (January 2009) issue of *International Affairs*
- Review of Ramachandra Guha, *India after Gandhi: The History of the World's Largest Democracy* in Vol. 84, No. 2 (March 2008) issue of *International Affairs*

PROFESSIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

External Examiner of PhD dissertation submitted to the School of International Studies (SIS), JNU (report submitted in January 2022)

Subject Expert, IR Interview Panel, North East Christian University (NECU), Dimapur, Nagaland (12th March, 2020)

External Examiner of PhD dissertation submitted to the Department of Political Science, University of Hyderabad (report submitted in January 2019)

External Examiner of MPhil Dissertation submitted to the School of International Studies (SIS), JNU (report submitted in September 2018)

Referee of manuscripts for the following publications/organizations

Asian Security

International Studies

International Studies Quarterly

Jadavpur Journal of International Relations
Journal of Asian Security and International Affairs
Journal of Borderlands Studies
Journal of the Indian Ocean Region
Observer Research Foundation Occasional Paper
Rising Powers Quarterly

CONSULTANCY

Developed module outline templates and module handbooks for the new BA Political Science and International Relations (Hons.) program of Villa College, Male, Maldives. Developed modules for 3 courses: *Counterterrorism and National Security*, *Contemporary Issues in World Affairs*, and *Foreign Policy of Major Powers*.

Consultancy period: April - July 2023

INVITED LECTURES

“India-Maldives Relations,” 21st Capacity building Programme for Senior Civil servants of Maldives, organized by the National Centre for Good Governance (Government of India), Cozy Nook Complex, Mussoorie, 13 February, 2023

“Nehru’s Tryst with China.” Ashoka Society for International Affairs (ASIA), Ashoka University, Sonapat, Haryana (*online lecture*), 30 November, 2020.

“Idealism and Realism in Indian Foreign Policy: Insights from Theory and Practice.” Jindal School of Liberal Arts and Humanities, O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonapat, Haryana (*online lecture*), 25 November, 2020

“The Salience of ‘Order’ in Nehru’s Stand on the PRC in the Security Council.” Institute of Chinese Studies, New Delhi, 17 July, 2019

“In the Shadow of Great Power Politics: Why Nehru Supported PRC’s Admission to the Security Council.” Carnegie India, New Delhi, 31 May, 2019.

“The Need to Move Beyond Theoretical Straitjackets in IR in Understanding Indian Foreign Policy.” Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament (CIPOD), SIS, JNU, New Delhi, 10 April, 2019

“The Study of Realism in India: A Case for Greater Engagement?” The Department of International Relations and Governance Studies (IRGS), Shiv Nadar University, Greater Noida, 19 January, 2019

“Assessing the Role of Power in Jawaharlal Nehru’s Foreign Policy.” Amity Law School, Amity University, Noida, 23 October, 2013.

“Indian Foreign Policy under Nehru: More than just Idealism.” Department of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Delhi, New Delhi, 24 March 2015.

PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS

“Evolving geopolitical rivalry in the Indian Ocean: A case study of Maldives” at the ISA Asia-Pacific Region 2023 Conference *Global Role of Asia-Indo Pacific in International Relations: Anthropocene, Peace and Security* held in Waseda University, Tokyo (8 - 10 August 2023). Paper presented on 9 August 2023.

“Back to the past to address contemporary peace imperatives: Lessons from India’s cold war diplomacy” at *Ontology of Peace: Reflections on Pluriversity* international workshop, Jindal Institute of Behavioural Sciences, O.P. Jindal Global University (23 - 24 June 2023). Paper presented on 24 June, 2023 (Invited)

“State sovereignty, international borders and the law: Insights from South Asia” at the 3rd *South Asian Border Studies Conference on Intra and Inter-Regional Connectivity: South Asia, South-East Asia and Central Asia* organized by Mahila Mahavidyalaya, Banaras Hindu University (BHU) and South Asian University (SAU), Varanasi (17 - 19 April 2023). Paper presented on 17 April, 2023.

“Examining the Legal Basis of India’s Surgical Strikes” at the 64th ISA Annual Convention, *Real Struggles, High Stakes: Cooperation, Contention, and Creativity* held in Montreal, Canada (15 - 18 March 2023). Paper presented on 16 March, 2023.

“India’s Use of Military Power and the Sovereignty Principle” at National Conference on *India and the World: Challenges and Opportunities*, organized by the Department of Political Science, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, 27 February 2023.

“Realism in World Politics” at Online Certificate Course on the *Theoretical Aspects of International Politics* organised by Centre for Research in Social Sciences and Education, Jain (Deemed) University, 22 August 2022 (online)

“Examining the Trajectory of Realism in Indian IR” at the ISA’s Annual Conference (virtual) 2021, 8 April 2021

“Sovereignty and the Exercise of Military Power” at the Workshop *India and the Sovereignty Principle* at South Asian University, New Delhi, 4 November, 2019

“Support from Unlikely Quarters: The Case for Accommodating PRC during Cold War” at the conference on *Globalization and International Relations: Political, Economic and Cultural Implications for the Global South* at Hyderabad Central University, Hyderabad, 15-16 March 2017

“Unpacking the Concept of ‘Power Politics’ in the Context of Indian Foreign Policy in the Early Cold War Years” at the ISA’s Asia-Pacific Conference, City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, 25-27 June, 2017

“Mapping the Realisms in Nehru’s Foreign Policy,” at the 9th International Convention of Asia Scholars, Adelaide, 5-9 July 2015

“India and SEATO’s Failure: Why Non-Great Powers Matter in ‘High Politics’” at the 13th METU Conference on International Relations *Multiple World Multiple Paradigms* at the Middle East Technical University (METU), Ankara, Turkey, June 2014

“Nehru’s Foreign Policy: The Need to Move Beyond a Balance of Power Lens,” at the Annual International Studies Convention 2013 *Re-Imagining Global Orders: Perspectives from the South*, JNU, New Delhi, December 2013

‘Strategic Adjustment and the 21st Century US-India Relationship’ at the *International Studies Association (ISA)* Convention, San Francisco, April, 2013 (paper presented along with Brian C. Schmidt)

Panelist at workshop *Public Security in Federal Polities: Exploring the Global-National-Local Continuum* organized by the Forum of Federations and the Centre for Public Affairs, New Delhi, 6 - 8 December, 2010

‘The Disparate Impact of Anarchy on Wars among the Great Powers and the Non-Great Powers’ at the *International Studies Association (ISA)* Convention, New Orleans, February, 2010

‘In Pursuit of Prestige: A Theoretical Insight into India’s Expansionist Foreign Policy,’ at the *International Studies Association (ISA)* Convention, New York City, February, 2009

‘Wars - Why do they Occur?’ at the 21st Annual Educational Conference on World Issues organized by Norman Patterson School of International Affairs (NPSIA), Carleton University, February 2008

‘Unusual State Behavior: Explaining India’s Foreign Policy during the Cold War,’ at the joint *ISA* (N-E Region) - North Eastern Political Science Association (NPSA) Convention, Philadelphia, November, 2007

‘Global War on Terror’ to the Rescue of India’s Great Power Aspiration?’ at the joint *ISA* Arms Control (ISAC) and Security Studies (ISSS) Conference, Montreal, October, 2007

'North Korea in International Relations' at the 20th Annual Educational Conference on World Issues organized by the Norman Patterson School of International Affairs (NPSIA), Carleton University, February 2007

'The Role of 'Security' in India-China-Nepal Relations,' at the *International Seminar on Nepal's Role in South Asia*, Banaras Hindu University, Banaras, March, 2004

CONFERENCES/WORKSHOPS/SYMPOSIA/PANEL DISCUSSIONS/TALKS ORGANIZED

Co-organizer, Workshop "India and the Sovereignty Principle," in collaboration with Carnegie India, 4th November 2019

Interactive Workshop by Stimson Centre (Washington, DC), South Asian University, 2018

Distinguished Lecture, Ambassador Shyam Saran, South Asian University, 2018

Distinguished Lecture, Ambassador Swash Pawan Singh, South Asian University, 2018

Panel Discussion by Delegation from US Air War College, 2018

Organizing Committee Member, "Building Mutual Understanding in the SAARC Region: The Role of the Media in South Asia," South Asian University, 2015

Coordinator, Contributions to Contemporary Knowledge Lecture Series, Faculty of Social Sciences, South Asian University, 2014

RESEARCH GUIDANCE

PhD - Awarded

Masih Ullah Khan, *The Surprising Endurance of Unipolarity: A Theoretical Explanation*

- Successful public defence on 8th February, 2021

Md. Ziaul Haque Sheikh, *Assessing the Impact of Religious and Secular Constitutional Identities on Foreign Policy: Comparative Perspectives from South Asia*

- Successful public defence on 30th September, 2020

Sankalp Gurjar, *India's Quest for Energy Security in Nigeria and Sudan (1991-2015)*

- Successful public defence on 16th September, 2019

PhD - Ongoing

Shivam Bahuguna, *Examining the Role of Buddhist Diplomacy in Indian Foreign Policy*

MPhil - Awarded

Shubham Sharma, *Anarchy and Structural Realism: A Dialectical Reconsideration of Concept and Epistemology*
August 2018

Delawar Hossain, *Transnational Online Activism: A Reflection on India-Bangladesh Relationship*
August 2023

MPhil - Ongoing

Homayoon Yousofi, *Assessing the Security-Development Rationale of the Merger of Federally Administered Tribal Areas (FATA) with Khyber Pakhtunkhwa (KP): Misplaced Faith or Sound Logic?*

HONORS AND AWARDS

Valedictory Speaker, *India and the World: Challenges and Opportunities* (National Conference), organized by Department of Political Science, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh, 28 February 2023

Valedictory Speaker, *At Crossroads: India's Foreign Policy and the Northeast* (webinar), organized by North East Christian University (NECU), Dimapur, Nagaland, 6 February 2021.

Invited as discussant in the workshop, *A Global Partnership or a Relationship Oversold? The India-US Strategic Relationship* at the Rajaratnam School of International Studies (RSIS), Nanyang Technological University (NTU), Singapore, 2 March 2018.

Awarded USD 750 as travel grant by the International Studies Association (ISA) to attend the ISA Annual Conference 2014 at San Francisco, USA held in April 2013

Awarded USD 500 as travel grant by the International Studies Association (ISA) to attend the ISA Asia Pacific Conference 2016 at Hong Kong held in June 2016.

Recipient of International Entrance Scholarship for Academic Excellence 2004-2005 (Carleton University)

1st Class in M.A. (JNU, New Delhi)

1st Class 1st in History (Honors) in College (Sri Venkateswara College, Delhi University; 1998-2001)

Recipient of Emani's Medal for Highest Marks in Ancient Indian History (1999) in Delhi University examination.