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Research Interests

Environmental Economics, Behavioral Economics, Health Economics, Applied Econometrics

Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Calgary, Canada 2020 – 2027 (expected)
Committee: Dr. Erica Myers (Chair), Dr. Benjamin Crost, Dr. Lucija Muehlenbachs

M.A. Economics, University of Manitoba, Canada 2018 – 2020

M.A. Economics, Tribhuvan University, Nepal 2014 – 2016

B.A. Mathematics & Economics, Tribhuvan University, Nepal 2008 – 2012

Research Experience

Research Assistant, Dr. Erica Myers, Department of Economics, University of Calgary 2023

Research Assistant, Dr. Dimitri Migrow, Department of Economics, University of Calgary 2021

Research Assistant, Dr. Umut Oguzoglu, Department of Economics, University of Manitoba 2020

Research Assistant, Dr. Guillermo Gallacher, Department of Economics, University of Manitoba 2020

Research Assistant, Ministry of Federal Affairs and General Administration, Nepal 2016

Publication

Brodeur, A., Mikola, D., Cook, N., et al. (2026). "Reproducibility and Robustness of Economics and Political Science Research." *Nature*, 652, 151–156. (Large-team replication project; one of many coauthors) — Read Paper

Working Papers

1. Wildfire Smoke and Road Accidents: Evidence from Alberta — Job Market Paper
2. Wildfire Smoke and Birth Outcomes: Evidence from Mexico
3. Leverage Adjustment to Carbon Taxes: Evidence from British Columbia (with Chi Man Yip and Wei Feng)

Teaching

Sessional Instructor, Introduction to Econometrics, University of Calgary Spring 2025, Fall 2025 (co-instructor)

Sessional Instructor, Principles of Microeconomics, University of Calgary Spring 2023, Summer 2024

Lecturer, Uniglobe College, Pokhara University, Nepal 2017 – 2018
Courses: Economic Analysis for Business; Macroeconomics and the Global Economy; Econometrics and Business Forecasting

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Calgary Sep 2020 – Present
Courses: Principles of Micro- and Macroeconomics; Intermediate Microeconomics; Macroeconomics; Advanced Intermediate Microeconomics; Introduction to Econometrics; Natural Gas Markets; Petroleum Economics; Engineering Economics

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Manitoba Jan 2019 – Apr 2020

Courses: Introduction to Micro- and Macroeconomic Principles; Introduction to Econometrics

Conferences

1. Canadian Resource and Environmental Economics Association (CREEA) Annual Conference, Waterloo 2026
2. World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists (WCERE), Lisbon 2026
3. CREEA Early Career Workshop, Vancouver 2026
4. Canadian Economics Association (CEA) Annual Conference, Vancouver 2026
5. Canadian Resource and Environmental Economics Association (CREEA) Annual Conference, Winnipeg 2025
6. Canadian Economics Association (CEA) Annual Conference, Montreal 2025

Awards

Alberta Graduate Excellence Scholarship, University of Calgary 2022

Top Student in Econometrics, University of Calgary 2021

Tarapad Choudhary Prize, Tribhuvan University 2017

Chandra Raj Dhungel Prize, Tribhuvan University 2017

Subarna Smiriti Prize, Tribhuvan University 2017

Ratna Rajya Laxmi Gold Medal Prize, Tribhuvan University 2012

Technical Skills

Stata, Python, LaTeX

Professional Service

Reviewer, AERE Summer Conference Paper Reviewer 2025

Professional Memberships

Canadian Economics Association (CEA); Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE); American Economic Association (AEA); Canadian Resource and Environmental Economics Association (CREEA)

Department Service

Vice President (Academic): Economics GSA, University of Calgary Nov 2021 – Feb 2023

Class representative (CR), Tribhuvan University 2014 – 2016

Languages

English (Fluent), Nepali (Native), Hindi (Fluent)

References

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