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EDUCATION

- 2024— **University of Queensland, Australia**
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) – International Relations
Emotions and Belonging in the Making of Postcolonial Nation-States
Advisors: Prof. Roland Bleiker (primary), A/Prof. Heloise Weber (associate), A/Prof. Emma Hutchison (deceased, 2024)
- 2022-2023 **Jawaharlal Nehru University, India**
PhD Coursework – International Politics
- 2018-2020 **University of Delhi, India**
Master of Arts (MA) – Political Science
Graduated with an Award for “Academic Excellence” for securing Rank I in Kirori Mal College, University of Delhi
- 2015-2018 **Christ University, India**
Bachelor of Arts (BA) – Political Science, History, Economics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Emotions; Belonging; Nation-Making; Environment; Postcolonial Studies; IR Theory; Historical IR; Critical and Constructivist IR; Global South; South Asia; Qualitative Research; Discourse Analysis; Archival Research

ACADEMIC WRITING

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2025 “Cultural Machines: How MetaCLIP Codifies Culture”. *New Media & Society* (with Luke Munn) [online first]
- 2025 “The United States is a Messianic State: Rhetorical Roots in US Foreign Policy Since 1991”. *Australian Journal of International Affairs*. 79(1): 150-168.
— Related commentary in *EPW Engage* and *Australia Outlook* [invited]
- 2024 “Feeling for the Anthropocene: Affective Relations and Ecological Activism in the Global South”. *International Affairs*. 100(2): 731-749.
— Related commentary in *E-International Relations*
- 2022 “Quad and the Indo-Pacific: Examining the Balance of Interest Theory in Quad Coalition.” *Strategic Analysis*. 46(6): 601-613.

Book Reviews

- 2024 Review of “Sovereign Attachments by Shenila Khoja-Moolji”. *Adelaide Journal of Social Sciences*. 3(1): 1-5.
- 2024 Review of “International Theory at the Margins: Neglected Essays, Recurring Themes by Nicholas Onuf.” *International Affairs*. 100(1): 407-8.
- 2023 Review of “Collective Memory in International Relations by Kathrin Bachleitner.” *International Studies Review*. 25(4): 1-2.
- 2022 Review of “Constructive Resistance: Repetitions, Emotions, and Time by Mona Lilja.” *International Affairs*. 98(5): 1804-5.

Selected Commentaries

- 2024 “Chipko’s Lessons for Today’s Global Environmentalism.” *E-International Relations*.
- 2024 “Between the two worlds of an Indian diplomat.” *The Interpreter*, Lowy Institute.
- 2023 “To help end the war in Ukraine, the Quad should back India to engage Russia.” *The Interpreter*, Lowy Institute.
- 2022 “The Paradox of Messiah States.” *Economic & Political Weekly* [engage]. 57(14): 1-7 (with Anurag Tripathi).
- 2020 “The Rise and Rise of Hindutva: Narratives, Visualised Communities, and the Hindu Nation.” *Social Science Research Network*.
- 2019 “Pandemics, Politics, and Populace: Assessing Motives of the State.” *NIICE, Nepal*.

PUBLIC AND DIGITAL SCHOLARSHIP

- 2023— **Fuzzy Notes** (newsletter)
Maintains a monthly Substack newsletter on the PhD journey, reading and writing routine, life, and things in between
- 2022— **Adarsh Badri** (blog)
Curates essays and book reviews on politics, philosophy, culture, society, and world affairs, which attract more than **10,000 monthly readers** globally
Includes essays on risk society, bullshit jobs, future of work, universal basic income among others, and book reviews of Emily Herring, Carlo Ginzburg, Joya Chatterji and others
Sample essays: 1. ‘We Have Always Been in Polycrisis—And Now We Know It’
2. ‘How Emily Herring brought Henry Bergson to People’

CONFERENCES & INVITED WORKSHOPS

- 2024 *From Dreary to Theory: A Workshop on Creative Theorising*, Centre for Digital Cultures and Societies, University of Queensland
- 2023 *Young Scholars’ Conference*, Centre for International Politics, Organization and Disarmament, Jawaharlal Nehru University
- 2023 *Young Scholars’ Conference*, Centre for European Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University
- 2023 *Political Studies Association Conference 2023*. Liverpool. [online]
- 2023 *JNU IR Society*. New Delhi. [invited talk]

AWARDS, GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

- 2025 POLSIS Fieldwork & Travel Grant, University of Queensland (AUD 4,500)
- 2024-2028 Research Training Stipend & Tuition Offset Scholarship, University of Queensland
- 2019 National Eligibility Test for Assistant Professorship, University Grants Commission, India
- 2008-2015 Full Academic Scholarship, Sainik School Bijapur

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2024— **School of Political Science & International Studies, University of Queensland**
Research Assistant – Visual Politics
Working with Prof. Roland Bleiker towards organising a workshop under the ARC-Linkage project on Visualising Humanitarian Crisis
- 2023-2024 **The Centre for Applied Social Sciences, New Delhi**
Research Assistant – International Relations
Conducted archival research at the Prime Minister’s Memorial Museum Library and the National Archives of India in New Delhi

2023-2024	E-International Relations Commissioning Editor – Critical IR Theory, Emotions, Memory, Foreign Policy, and South Asia <i>Collaborated with IR scholars and PhD students from across the globe to write essays for the student-led E-International Relations</i>
2021-2022	ZIGRAM Senior Research Analyst – Digital Assets

MEMBERSHIP

2025—	International Studies Association (ISA)
2025—	American Political Science Association (APSA)
2025—	British International Studies Association (BISA)
2024	Australian Institute of International Affairs (AIIA)

RESEARCH SKILLS

Fieldwork:	Archival Research (Prime Ministers' Library and Museum, New Delhi; National Archives of India, New Delhi)
Language:	Kannada (native), English (proficient), Hindi (fluent)
Software:	MS Office (Excel, Word, PowerPoint), Adobe (InDesign, Premiere Pro), and WordPress

REFERENCES

1. **Roland Bleiker**, Professor of International Relations, University of Queensland, Australia, bleiker@uq.edu.au
2. **Heloise Weber**, Associate Professor of Postcolonial Studies, University of Queensland, Australia, h.weber@uq.edu.au
3. **Jayati Srivastava**, Professor of International Politics, Jawaharlal Nehru University, India, jayatis@jnu.ac.in