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EDUCATION

University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, USA (Aug 2023 to Present)

Ph.D. in Food and Resource Economics

Graduate Research Assistant under Professor Bachir Kassas

CGPA: 3.77 out of 4.00

The University of Georgia, Athens, Georgia, USA (Oct 2021 to May 2023)

M.S. in Agricultural and Applied Economics

Graduate Research Assistant under Professor Benjamin Campbell

Thesis: "Consumer preferences for flavored Cannabidiol (CBD) oil"

Advisors: Dr. Benjamin Campbell (chair), Dr. William Secor, Dr. Adam Rabinowitz

CGPA: 3.89 out of 4.00

Agriculture and Forestry University, Rampur, Chitwan, Nepal (2015 to 2019)

Bachelor of Science in Agriculture

Thesis: "Economics of Chhari and Marketable-size carp fish in Bara district, Nepal"

Advisor: Dr. Dilip Kumar Jha (chair), Mahesh Chandra Acharya

Merit listed scholar

CGPA: 3.78 out of 4.00

AWARDS & HONORS

CALS Scholarship from the University of Florida (Fall 2025)

AEM-GSS Case Study Competition from the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA 2025) (Summer 2025)

Grinter fellowship from the University of Florida (Fall 2023, Spring 2024)

Golden Jubilee Scholarship (2015-16) by the Government of India (Mar.31th, 2016)

LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

Treasurer (2024 Aug – 2025 July)

Agricultural Economics-Graduate Student's Association (AE-GSO), University of Florida

- Manage and track organization budget and expenses
- Oversee reimbursements and financial record-keeping for events

President (2024 Aug – 2025 July)

Nepalese Student's Association (NSA) at the University of Florida

- Organize cultural events and outreach programs
- Oversee budgeting and membership activities

Ph.D. Representative

(2024 Aug – 2025 July)

Agricultural Economics-Graduate Student's Association (AE-GSO), University of Florida

- Serve as liaison between Ph.D. students and Faculty
- Conduct coffee hours in the department to foster communication and collaboration

Executive Member

(2024 Aug – Present)

Gator Citrus Club at the University of Florida (GCC)

- Plan citrus sale events, and coordinate educational tours at citrus farms, both nationally and internationally

Sports Coordinator

(2023 Aug – 2024 Aug)

Nepalese Student's Association (NSA) at the University of Florida

- Organized sports tournaments and social gatherings

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics, UGA (Jan – May 2023)

- Assisted with "Agribusiness Financial Management"; graded assignments for 40+ students and led review sessions

Teaching Assistant, Advanced Placement Summer Institute (APSI) at UGA (Jun – Jul 2022)

- Supported AP Economics for Teachers; coordinated materials and addressed participant questions

Instructor, Shree Kankali Higher Secondary School, Bara, Nepal

(Jan – Jul 2019)

- Taught "Farm Financial Management" to high school students; introduced budgeting and record-keeping concepts

RESEARCH & PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Adhikari, P., Jha, D.K., Poudel, M., Gurung, S., & Acharya, M.C. (2019). Economics of Chhari and Marketable-size carp fish in Bara, Nepal. *Journal of Agriculture and Natural Resources*, 2(1), 157–170. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3126/janr.v2i1.26061>

Poudel, M., **Adhikari, P.**, Dhungana, S., Paudel, S., Thapa K., Bidari, A., & Manandhar, R. (2020). Economics of rubber production in Jhapa district of Nepal. *Journal of Agriculture and Natural Resources*, 3(1), 198–208. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3126/janr.v3i1.27173>

Patel, S.D., Karn, R., Bhusal, S., Balami, S., **Adhikari, P.** & Kharel, R. (2020) Production and Marketing of Carp Species in Rupandehi, Nepal. *Malaysian Journal of Halal Research*, 3(1), 1-5. <https://doi.org/10.2478/mjhr-2020-0001>

Adhikari, P. & Poudel, M. (2020). CRISPR-Cas9 in agriculture: Approaches, applications, future perspectives, and associated challenges (2020). *Malaysian Journal of Halal Research*, 3(1), 6–16. <https://doi.org/10.2478/mjhr-2020-0002>

Work in Progress

Adhikari, P., Kassas, B., Chen, A., & Magnier, A. *Information Treatments Raising Social and Agricultural Awareness to Improve Consumer Preferences for State-Marketing Program: The “Fresh from Florida” Case.*

CONFERENCE ATTENDED

2025 AAEE & WAEA Joint Annual Meeting, Denver, CO, USA (27-29 July 2025)
Case Study Competition: “AMAGGI: Growing with Sustainability in the Grain Trading Business”

2nd Biennial Conference of Association of Nepalese Agricultural Professionals of Americas (NAPA), Atlanta, Georgia, USA (22-24 May 2020)
Oral presentation: “Economics of Chhari and Marketable-Size Carp Fish in Bara, Nepal”

International Conference on Food Security Through Agriculture & Allied Science (FAAS-2019)
Oral presentation: “CRISPR-Cas9 in agriculture: Approaches, applications, future perspectives, and associated challenges”

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES AND INVOLVEMENTS

Graduate Research Assistant (Aug 2023 – Present)

Department of Food and Resource Economics, University of Florida

- Work under Professor Bachir Kassas on experimental and behavioral economics projects

Graduate Research Assistant (Aug 2021 – May 2023)

Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics, UGA

- Assisted Dr. Benjamin Campbell with consumer behavior research and data analysis

Agriculture Extension Officer (Nov 2020 – Jul 2021)

Annapurna Rural Municipality, Myagdi, Nepal Government

- Oversaw farmer training programs and resource allocation

Agriculture Extension Officer

(Aug – Oct 2020)

Diktal Rupakot Majhuwagadhi Municipality, Nepal Government

- Advised local farmers on crop management and agribusiness opportunities

Farm Manager

(Mar – Jun 2020)

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- Managed daily farm operations and organic production protocols

Research Intern

(Jan – Jul 2019)

PMAMP Fish Superzone, Bara

- Studied economics of local fisheries

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Statistical Analysis

Ms-Excel, Stata, SAS, R, Python

Survey and Documentation

Qualtrics, Ms-Word, KoboToolbox, i-motions (Learning)

Languages

Nepali (native), English (Fluent), Hindi (Fluent)

REFERENCES

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