

Highly driven Political Science PhD student with 5+ years of experience in qualitative and quantitative research projects.

## RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

### Researcher

Aug 2019 — Present

University of Texas at Dallas

Richardson, TX

- Completed a comprehensive quantitative study on host countries' participation in **transnational repression**, developing a new dataset. This research earned the International Study Association 2024 Best Human Rights Paper Award, highlighting its impact on global human rights policy.
- Developed a novel quantitative approach using statistical methods to dissect fragmentation and unification trends within **protest campaigns**, shedding light on pivotal factors influencing their success and failure.
- Conducted **qualitative research** for a book chapter on gender and SDGs, focusing on female infanticide and gender-based violence in Tamil Nadu, India. This involved fieldwork with **interviews** of local communities, activists, and experts, exploring the cultural, socio-economic, and political factors influencing these issues.

### UX Researcher

Dec 2021 — Feb 2022

TechFleet / The Serious Type

Remote, USA

- Conducted **exploratory research** and a **competitive analysis** to boost user engagement strategies for 'The Serious Type,' leveraging academic studies and market insights.
- Utilized **data collection**, **surveys**, and **user interviews** across age demographics to derive qualitative and quantitative insights, employing **affinity mapping** for user persona creation and user-centric solutions, in collaboration with product and business teams.
- Led **usability testing** focused on **Gen-Z** to evaluate app concepts, uncovering mentorship's impact on social media engagement, guiding feature integration to enhance the user experience.

### Technical Writer

April 2019 — July 2019

UnitedHealth Group-Optum/Artech

Noida, India

- Led the update and creation of key business documents on multiple **HTML** and word templates, including **SOPs** and **PIs**, ensuring compliance, consistency, and timely publication in line with business goals.
- Collaborated with senior staff and partners, leading meetings to streamline documentation **review** and **approval** processes, while recommending enhancements for content, format, and efficiency.

### Research Assistant

Sep 2016 — Dec 2018

Institute for Research on India and International Studies

Gurugram, India

- Conducted mixed-methods research, including historical analysis and survey examination, on the "Global Governance of Knowledge Production" project, emphasizing the contributions of scholars from the global south in prestigious Western journals. This research not only highlighted the underrepresentation in leadership positions within International Relations but also secured a grant to foster global south expertise, focusing on their impact on Indian International Relations research.
- Conducted literature review to establish the 'Delhi School of Transnational Affairs', the first virtual platform at the University of Delhi. Insights from the research on a variety of scholars and research organizations as well as themes from the Global South were added to the directory of this initiative.

## EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy, Political Science, University of Texas at Dallas

Aug 2019 — May 2024

Master of Science, Social Data Analytics and Research, University of Texas at Dallas

Aug 2022 — May 2024

## SKILLS

### Research Skills

Surveys, Interviews, Field Research, A/B Testing, Affinity Mapping, Journey Maps

### Technical

Project Management, Research Design, Collaboration, Communication, Teaching

### Tools

Qualtrics, NVivo, RStudio, STATA, Figma

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

Human Rights Best Paper Award, International Studies Association

April 2024

Government and Political Science Fellowship award, University of Texas at Dallas

April 2023

US-Andean Innovation Fund Grant Competition, US Department of State

July - August 2023

Political Methodology XL, National Science Foundation

July 2023