Curriculum Vitae

Asha Lal Tamang, PhD

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RESEARCH INTEREST AND EXPERTISE

Cross-Cultural Engagement, Indigenous Knowledge, Spirituality, and Community Development Social Justice, Health Financing, Traditional Medicine, Higher/Adult Education, Food, and Nutrition Race and Ethnicity, Diversity, Inequality and Equity, and Inclusive Development Qualitative Study, Ethnography, Participatory Research, and Mixed Methods Research Project Planning and Designing, Monitoring and Evaluation, and Non-Profit Leadership Survival Strategies, Social Movements, Civil Conflict, and Migration

FORMAL EDUCATION

PhD in Sociology and Anthropology,

July 13, 2013

University of Newcastle, Newcastle, Australia

Dissertation Title: Experiences of the 1996–2006 Civil Conflict in Nepal: Narratives of Engagement of Tamangs (Indigenous People) and Bahun-Chhetris (Non-Indigenous People).

https://nova.newcastle.edu.au/vital/access/manager/Repository/uon:13212

Advisor: Pamela Nilan and Terrence Leahy

Graduate Certificate in Adult Education and Teaching in Higher Education,	August 31, 2016
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University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

Postgraduate Certificate in Planning and Program Design, June 22, 2002

Swiss Tropical Institute, Basel, Switzerland

Postgraduate Diploma in Health Care and Management, May 30, 2001

Swiss Tropical Institute, Basel, Switzerland

ADDITIONAL GRADUATE COURSES

MHA 628-Healthcare Delivery Systems, Policy, and Reimbursement (3 Credits) Minnesota State University Moorhead, Moorhead, MN	Fall, 2021
MHA 618 Healthcare Law and Ethical Decision Making (3 Credits) Minnesota State University Moorhead, Moorhead, MN	Fall, 2021
LAWE 434 Comparative Criminal Justice System (3 Credits) Minnesota State University Mankato, Mankato, MN	Fall, 2021
CJS 531 Criminal and Juvenile Procedure (3 Credits)	Spring 2020

St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, MN

CERTIFICATIONS AND LICENSURE

Adult Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) USA Instructor National Council for Mental Wellbeing, Washington, DC

August 2022

Antiracist Pedagogy Across the Curriculum (ARPAC)

June 4-18, 2021

St. Cloud State University, St. Cloud, MN

Cultural Competency Training Certificate, Education Minnesota, St. Paul, MN

October 15-31, 2020

Teaching Online Certificate (TOC), Quality Matters, Annapolis, MD June – October 2020

Social and Behavioral Responsible Conduct of Research Certificate,

May 2020

Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program), Fort Lauderdale, FL

Social / Behavioral or Humanist Research Investigators and Key Personnel Certificate, Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI Program), Fort Lauderdale, FL

May 2020

Poverty Institute Certificate and Poverty Coaching Certificate,

July 24-27, 2017

Communication Across Barriers, Tigard, OR

Advanced Equity and Diversity Certificate,

Spring 2016

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Program Certificate,

Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Program Certificate,

March 2016

North Central Sociological Association, Westerville, OH

Fall 2015

University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

Undergraduate Courses

Families in Contemporary Societies (SOCI 1110)

Families in Crisis (SOC 1750)

Introduction to Criminal Justice (SOC 1710)

Introduction to Sociology (SOC 1020, SOC 1110, SOCI 1105, SOC 1001, SOC 101)

Juvenile Justice (SOC 1730)

Social Inequality/Minority Groups (SOC 2210)

Social Problems/Deviance (SOC 1130, SOC 205)

Social Responsibility in the Marketplace (SOC 315)

Sociocultural Theory (SCS 361)

Sociology of Race and Ethnicity (SOC 2051)

Social Welfare: An Institution (SOC 359)

Sociology of Work (SOSC 1110)

World Religions (GLOS 1190)

Undergraduate Courses Abroad

Mobilizing Social Groups
Social Research Methodology
Community Intervention Approaches
Epidemiology and Communicable Diseases
Training and Facilitation
Anatomy and Physiology

Community Development and Social Mobilization

Community Health I: Health Management, Reproductive Health and Nutrition Community Health II: Health Education, Culture and Environmental Sanitation

Research Methodology and Community Diagnosis

Graduate Courses

Human Resource Development and Adult Education (OLPD 5801)
Multicultural College Teaching and Learning (PSTL 5020)
Qualitative Research Methodology (SOC 4008)
Strategies for Teaching Adults (OLPD 5201)
Teaching in Higher Education (GRAD 8101)
Teaching Sociology Theory and Practice (SOC 8011)
Ways of Thinking about Health (CSPH 5111)

PUBLICATIONS

Peer Reviewed Journal Articles/ Book Chapters

Hassel, Craig A., **Asha L. Tamang**, Lea Foushee, and Ryan Bad Heart Bull. 2019. "Decolonizing Nutrition Science." *Current Developments in Nutrition* 3(Supplement 2):3–11.

Hassel, Craig A., **Asha L. Tamang**, Lea Foushee, and Ryan Badheart Bull. 2018. "Engaging Native Nutrition: Identifying Barriers." *Current Developments in Nutrition* 1(11):46.

Tamang, Asha L., and Dimpal Yonjan-Lama. 2018. "Diversity and Reconstruction of Identities in Contemporary Nepal." Pp. 47–59 in *Current Dynamics in Transforming Nepal*, edited by D. Dahal, L. Uprety, and B. Acharya. New Delhi: Adroit Publishers.

Tamang, Asha L., and Alex Broom. 2011. "The Practice and Meanings of Spiritual Healing in Nepal." Pp. 202–219 in *Health, Culture and Religion in South Asia*, edited by A. Doron, and A. Broom. New Delhi: Routledge.

Tamang, Asha L., and Alex Broom. 2010. "The Practice and Meanings of Spiritual Healing in Nepal." *South Asian History and Culture* 1(2):328–340.

Holloway, Kathleen A., Shiba B. Karkee, **Asha L. Tamang**, Yam B. Gurung, Kumud K. Kafle, Ramesh Pradhan, and Barnaby C. Reeves. 2009. "Community Intervention to Promote Rational Treatment of Acute Respiratory Infection in Rural Nepal." *Tropical Medicine and International Health* 14(1):101–110.

Tamang, Asha L., and Bipin K. Acharya. 2008. "Migration: a Gateway to HIV/AIDS." Pp. 524–533 in *Social Sciences in a Multicultural World,* edited by K. N. Pyakuryal, B. K. Acharya, B. Timseena, G. Chhetri, and M. D. Uprety. Kathmandu: Sociological/ Anthropological Society of Nepal (SASON) and Swiss National Centre of Competence in Research (NCCR).

Peer Reviewed Abstracts

- **Tamang, Asha L.** 2011. "For, Against or Silence: Coping and Survival Strategies during Civil Conflict in Nepal." Abstract. P. 347 in *Seventh International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry*. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL. Accessed June 2, 2021. http://citation.allacademic.com/meta/p494786 index.html
- **Tamang, Asha L.** 2011. "Challenges of Data Collection: Appropriate Methods in Difficult Security Situations." Abstract. P. 101 in *The 28th Annual Qualitative Analysis Conference: Contemporary Issues in Qualitative Research*. Wilfrid Laurier University, Brantford, Canada. Accessed June 2, 2021. https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B4z_EtE1cjLScnk5ZEZIR0pzcTQ/view
- **Tamang, Asha L.** 2010. "Insider-Outsider Identities in Fieldwork: Challenges of Collecting Data in Difficult Security Situations." *Australian Consortium for Social and Political Research Incorporated (ACSPRI) Social Science Methodology Conference*. University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia. Accessed June 2, 2021. http://conference.acspri.org.au/index.php/conf/2010/paper/view/85

Books and Manuals

- Conerly, Tonja R., Kathleen Holmes, and **Asha Lal Tamang**. 2021. *Introduction to Sociology 3e*. Houston, TX: OpenStax, Rice University. https://openstax.org/details/books/introduction-sociology-3e
- **Tamang, Asha L.**, trans. 2017. What is the Gospel (Susamaachaar Ke Ho)? Cedar Park, TX: The Gospel Coalition.
- **Tamang, Asha L.** 2007. Orientation and Facilitation Guideline: Health Volunteers Mobilization Program for Health Rights and Health Improvement. Kathmandu: National Tuberculosis Center, and Britain Nepal Medical Trust.
- **Tamang, Asha L.** 2005. A Manual for Peer Education in Life Skills for Out-of-School Youths to Control Spread of HIV/AIDS. Kathmandu: Britain Nepal Medical Trust, and Nepal Red Cross Society.
- **Tamang, Asha L.** 2005. A Manual for Drama and Cultural Shows to Control Spread of HIV/AIDS. Kathmandu: Britain Nepal Medical Trust.

CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (SELECTED)

Community Engagement, Health, Nutrition and Education

- **Tamang, Asha L**. (2017). "Decolonizing Nutrition Science." Paper presented at the *Second Annual Conference on Native American Nutrition,* Prior Lake, MN.
- **Tamang, Asha L**. (2015). "RCP Rosemount/Climate Change: Planning an Adult Education Program." Poster presented at the Resilient Communities Project (RCP): Annual Celebration Program, May 1, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN.

- **Tamang, Asha L.** (2014). "Experience on Livelihoods and Scope of Organic Farming in Nepal." Paper presented at the Consultative Workshop for the Development of Action Plans for Region-wide Livelihood Initiatives, Christian Blind Mission (CBM), March 18–23, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh, India.
- **Tamang, Asha L.** (2014). "Sensitization on Climate Change in INF Nepal's Projects." Paper presented at the 8th International Conference on Community-Based Adaptation: Financing Local Adaptation, April 24–30, Bangladesh Centre for Advanced Studies (BCAS), International Institute for Environment and Development (IIED) and Clean Energy Nepal (CEN), Kathmandu, Nepal.
- **Tamang, Asha L**. (2007). "Linkages between HIV Service Sites and TB Service Sites to Access TB Services by People Living with HIV-Positive (PLHP). Paper presented at the 23rd All Nepal Medical Conference, November 1–7, Nepal Medical Association, Biratnagar, Nepal.
- **Tamang, Asha L**. (2007). "Rights-Based Approach and Achievements in BNMT Working Area." Paper presented at the Interchurch Organisation for Development Cooperation (ICCO/Netherlands) Partner Consultation Meeting, September 9–13, Bangkok, Thailand.

Diversity and Inequality

- **Tamang, Asha L.** (2015). "Diversity and Social Inclusion in Higher Education." PowerPoint presented at the 25th Annual Research Celebration: Sociology Research Institute (SRI), April 17, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, USA.
- **Tamang, Asha L**. (2013). "Diversity and Reconstruction of Identities in Contemporary Nepal." Paper presented at the Sociological/Anthropological Society of Nepal (SASON) International Conference: Current Dynamics in Transforming Nepal, December 14–16, Kathmandu, Nepal.
- **Tamang, Asha L.** (2012). "Experiences of the 1996–2006 Civil Conflict in Nepal: Engagement of Tamangs (Indigenous People) and Bahun-Chhetris (Non-Indigenous People)." PowerPoint presented at the Faculty of Education and Arts Student Research Festival, August 8, University of Newcastle, Australia.

Methodology

- **Tamang, Asha L.** (2012). "Reconstruction of Indigenous/Ethnic Identities during the Ten Year Civil War in Nepal." PowerPoint presented at the Workshop on Theorizing Indigenous Sociology: Developing Australian and International Approaches, July 19–20, Indigenous Sociology Thematic Group, The Australian Sociological Association (TASA), Australia.
- **Tamang, Asha L.** (2011). "Challenges of Data Collection: Appropriate Methods in Difficult Security Situations." PowerPoint presented at the 28th Annual Qualitative Analysis Conference: Contemporary Issues in Qualitative Research, May 12–14, Wilfrid Laurier University, Brantford Campus, Canada.
- **Tamang, Asha L.** (2010. "Insider-Outsider Identities in Fieldwork: Challenges of Collecting Data in Difficult Security Situations." Paper presented at the Australian Consortium for Social and Political Research Incorporated (ACSPRI) Social Science Methodology Conference 2010, December 1–3, University of Sydney, Australia.

AWARDS, HONORS AND TRAVEL GRANTS

Awards and Honors

Health Equity and Leadership Mentoring (HELM) Fellow, University of Minnesota, USA, 9/2016–6/2017 Professional Development Fund, University of Minnesota, USA, 2016 (USD 500)

International Postgraduate Research Scholarship (IPRS) to complete PhD in Sociology and Anthropology, University of Newcastle, Australia, 2012 (AUD 18,600)

Australian Leadership Award Scholarship (ALAS) to study PhD in Sociology and Anthropology, AusAID through University of Newcastle, 2008–2012 (AUD 179,044)

Postgraduate Research Publication Prize for the journal article "The Practice and Meanings of Spiritual Healing in Nepal," University of Newcastle, 2010 (AUD 300)

Postgraduate Scholarship for attending Postgraduate Certificate in Planning and Program Design, Swiss Government and Swiss Tropical Institute, Switzerland, 2002 (USD 14,000)

Postgraduate Scholarship for attending Postgraduate Diploma in Health Care and Management, Swiss Government and Swiss Tropical Institute, Switzerland, 2001 (USD 7,000)

College Scholarship for attending Proficiency Certificate in General Medicine, United Mission to Nepal and Institute of Medicine, Nepal, 1990–1992 (USD 500)

Travel Grants

Professional Development Grant for attending the Creator Fest 2020: Educate, Cultivate and Advocate, Minneapolis Community and Technical College, USA, 2020 (USD 2,000)

Conference Grant for attending the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA) Assessment and Persistence Conference, North Hennepin Community College, USA, 2018 (USD 1,400)

Conference Grant for attending the Nibi Miinawaa Manoomin: Gaa Wiijigaabawitaadiwaad (Accountable Relationships), University of Minnesota, USA, 2017 (USD 200)

Conference Grant for attending the First Native American Nutrition Conference, University of Minnesota, USA, 2017 (USD 317)

Conference Grant for attending the First Native American Nutrition Conference, University of Minnesota, USA, 2016 (USD 410)

Conference Grant for attending the American Sociological Association Annual Meeting and Conference, University of Minnesota, USA, 2016 (USD 689)

Conference Grant for attending the CCD Conference Community Transformation: Hopes and Challenges in Canada, International Nepal Fellowship (INF), Nepal, 2014 (EURO 1,500)

Conference Grant for attending IJAS Conference for Academic Disciplines in Canada, AusAID through University of Newcastle, 2011 (AUD 4,000)

Conference Grant for attending 7th International Congress of Qualitative Inquiry in USA, University of Newcastle, Australia, 2011 (AUD 3,715)

Travel Grant for attending 28th Annual Qualitative Analysis Conference in Canada, Wilfrid Laurier University, Canada, 2011 (AUD 1,448)

RESEARCH AND/OR SOCIAL JUSTICE PROJECTS (SELECTED)

Health, Human Rights and Society

Interfacing Principles and Practices of Food, Spirituality and Health (Research Project), 2016–2018

Source: John Templeton Foundation, USA

Not Funded: USD \$217,400

Delays in Diagnosis and Treatment, Leprosy in Nepal (Research Project), 2015–2017

Source: Leprosy Research Initiative, Sweden Funded: EURO 99,893

Maternal and Child Health in Deukhuri, Dang District, Nepal (Social Justice Project), 2014–2017

Source: EMMS International, UK Funded: GBP 371,951

Translating Human Rights into Health Realities in Nepal (Social Justice Project), 2005–2010

Source: Inter-Church Organization for Development, the Netherlands Funded: EUR 1,002,817

Health Improvement Program: Securing Health Rights for Disadvantaged Groups in Nepal (Social Justice Project), 2006–2009

Source: Big Lottery Fund (BLF), UK Funded: GBP 726,372

National Tuberculosis Control Support Project (Research and Social Justice Project), 2006–2008

Source: Global Fund (Round 4), Nepal Funded: USD 225,000

HIV/AIDS Vulnerability Assessment on Returning Migrant Communities (Research Project), 2005–2006

Source: Global Fund (Round 5)/United Nations Development Program, Nepal Funded: USD 14,500

Integrated Health Improvement Program (Social Justice Project), 2003–2006

Source: Big Lottery Fund, UK Funded: GBP 597,174

Health Improvement through the Prevention and Control of Infectious Diseases: Diarrhea, Acute Respiratory Infections, Malaria, Kala-azar and Japanese Encephalitis (Social Justice Project), 2003–2005

Source: Simavi, the Netherlands Funded: EUR 168,524

Diversity and Social Inclusion

COVID-19 Emergency Response Program (Social Justice and Research Project), 2020–2021

Source: Internet Society Foundation, USA Not Funded: USD \$499,200

Census 2020 and Counting the Undercounted Populations (Civic Engagement Project), 2020

Source: Minneapolis Foundation, Minnesota, USA Funded: USD 5,750

Census 2020 and Engagement of the Nepalese in Minnesota (Civic Engagement Project), 2020

Source: Asian American Organizing Project, Minnesota, USA Funded: USD 3,500

Z-Degree Grant: Zero or Low Cost Textbook Classes (Inclusive Access Project), 2019–2020

Source: Minnesota State System and Minneapolis College, Minnesota Funded: USD 1,000

Empowerment and Social Inclusion of Persons with Disabilities (Social Justice Project), 2013–2014

Source: CBM International, Switzerland Funded: USD 71,000

Mobilization of Satisfied Clients in Siraha District, Nepal (Research Project), 2005–2006

Source: World Health Organization and UK Aid Funded: USD 15,000

Community Intervention Study to Promote Rational Treatment of Acute Respiratory Infection in Rural Nepal, (Research Project), 2000–2004

Source: World Health Organization, Switzerland; Management Sciences for Health, USA; and, Boston
University (ARCH Project), USA
Funded: USD 90,295

Civil Conflict and Conflict Transformation

Fostering Health and Livelihoods of Conflict Affected People in Nepal (Social Justice Project), 2008–2010

Source: The European Commission Delegate, Nepal Funded: EUR 983,526

Capacity Building

Association of Nepalis in Minnesota Community Meeting (Civic Engagement Project), February 2020

Source: North Hennepin Community College, Minnesota, USA Funded: USD 1,000

Mountain Livelihoods Project, Nepal (Social Justice Project), 2013–2018

Source: Transform Aid International, Australia Funded: AUD 1,795,291

Assessing Linkages between HIV Service Sites and TB Service Sites (Research Project), 2004–2005

Source: USAID through Family Health International, Nepal Funded: USD 15,366

Community Drug Program, Terhathum District, Nepal (Social Justice Pilot Project), 2001–2002

Source: AusAID, Kathmandu, Nepal Funded: USD 28,000

COMMITTEE AND LEADERSHIP SERVICE

Faculty Search Committee Member, Minneapolis Community and Technical Committee, Minnesota, USA, 2020

Student Conference Planning Committee, Minneapolis Community and Technical College, Minnesota, USA, 2019–2020

Shared Governance Council Member, North Hennepin Community College, Minnesota, USA, 2018–2019 Research Analyst Search Committee Member, North Hennepin Community College, Minnesota, USA, 2018

Presider, Session 204: Practical Ideas and Experience from the Classroom, Midwest Sociological Society Conference, USA, 2018

Sociological Practice Committee Member, Midwest Sociological Society, USA, 2017–2020

Scholarship Applications Reviewer, North Hennepin Community College, Minnesota, USA, 2017–2018

Session Organizer: Teaching and Learning Section, Midwest Sociological Society Conference, USA, 2017–2018

Librarian Search Committee Member, Century College, Minnesota, USA, 2017

Academic Pathways Committee Member, Century College, Minnesota, USA, 2017

General Education and Transfer Pathway Work Group, Century College, Minnesota, USA, 2016

Leadership Team Member, International Nepal Fellowship (INF) Nepal, 2013–2015

OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

President, Association of Nepalese in Minnesota (ANMN), USA, 2021–2023

Fundraising/Grants Chair, Association of Nepalese in Minnesota (ANMN), USA, 2019–2021

Faculty Lecture Series (FLS) Coordinator, North Hennepin Community College, Minnesota, USA, 2018–2020

Curriculum Advisory Committee Member, Mounds View Public School District, Minnesota, USA, 2017–2020

Volunteer, Overcoming Racism Conference, USA, 2018

Volunteer, First Nations Kitchen, Minnesota, USA, 2017-2019

Volunteer, Minnesota State Fair, USA, 2017

Volunteer, Irish Fair of Minnesota, USA, 2017

International Speaker/ Teacher, Global Minnesota, Minnesota, USA, 2016

Volunteer, Students for Education Reform (SFER) Action Network, Minnesota, USA, 2016

Volunteer, St. Paul Festival and Heritage Foundation, Minnesota, USA, 2016

Volunteer, 26th Annual Celebration Family Day, Minneapolis Urban League, USA, August 29, 2015

WORK HISTORY

Teaching/Academic Positions

Community College Faculty, Minnesota State System, Minnesota, USA, 2016 – Present

Researcher, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, USA, 2015 –2019

Sociologist/ Anthropologist Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal, 2012 –2013

Mentor/ Adviser, BP Koirala Institute of Health Sciences, Nepal, 1999 –2007

Instructor, Sagarmatha Technical Institute, Morang, Nepal, 1997 –1998

Instructor, Education and Community Health Organization, Lalitpur, Nepal, 1994 –1995

Instructor, Institute of Community Health, Kanchanpur, Nepal, 1992 –1994

Professional (Non-Academic) Positions

President and Chief Executive Officer, Association of Nepalis in Minnesota, Minnesota, 2021 – 2023

Grants Committee Chair and Census Project Lead, Association of Nepalis in Minnesota, 2019 –2021

Development Director, INF North America, Omaha, Nebraska, 2013 – 2016

Programs Director, INF-Nepal, Kathmandu/ Pokhara, Nepal, 2013 –2015

Consultant Researcher, Development Resource Centre, Kathmandu, Nepal, 2012 – 2013

Church Council Minute Secretary, Jesmond Park Uniting Church, Newcastle, Australia, 2011 –2012

Research and Social Support Resource Person, Newcastle Care, Newcastle, Australia, 2010 – 2011

Fundraiser, Kids Cancer Research Trust, Newcastle, Australia, January 2008 – March 2008

Program Director, Britain Nepal Medical Trust, Kathmandu/ Biratnagar, Nepal, 2005 –2007

Program Manager, Britain Nepal Medical Trust, Kathmandu/ Biratnagar, Nepal, 1999 – 2005

Program Officer, Britain Nepal Medical Trust, Kathmandu/ Biratnagar, Nepal, 1997 – 1999

Assistant Doctor, Patan Hospital, United Mission to Nepal, Lalitpur, Nepal, 1995 – 1997

Health Post In-Charge, Gotikhel Health Post, United Mission to Nepal, Lalitpur, Nepal, 1994 – 1995

Health Assistant, Family Planning Association of Nepal, Kanchanpur, Nepal, 1992 – 1994

LANGUAGE SKILLS

English, Nepali, Tamang, and Hindi

COMPUTER/IT SKILLS

D2L Brightspace, Moodle, Blackboard, Canvas Zoom, WebEx, Mediaspace, Skype, Go To Meeting NVivo, SPSS, Epi-Info Microsoft Office, Project Management, Adobe Acrobat, Paint 3D, Drawing Business Analysis, Windows Media Player