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<b>EDUCATION</b>	<b>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</b> , Cambridge, MA PhD, Political Science, 2025 (expected) —Committee: Barry Posen, Erik Lin-Greenberg, Nicholas L. Miller, Vipin Narang (chair) —Fields: Security Studies, International Relations  <b>Indian Institute of Technology</b> , Kharagpur, India Bachelor of Technology (Honours), 2013 Metallurgical and Materials Engineering
<b>ACADEMIC POSITIONS</b>	<b>Hebrew University of Jerusalem</b> , Jerusalem, Israel Visiting Research Fellow, Fall 2023 Department of International Relations
<b>DISSERTATION/ BOOK PROJECT</b>	<i>Aborting the Bomb: Strategies of Counterproliferation and How States Choose Among Them</i>
<b>WORKING PAPER</b>	<b>Job Market Paper:</b> “Jaguars Over Kahuta Or Falcons Over Fordow? Explaining Two Contrasting Counterproliferation Campaigns” ( <i>currently under review at International Security</i> )
<b>PAPERS IN PROGRESS</b>	“Subordinating Security Competition to Economic Cooperation: Explaining Variation in China’s Proliferation Assistance.” ( <i>manuscript available upon request</i> ) “Bastions are Safer for SSBNs: Visualizing a Future Strategic ASW Campaign in the Bay of Bengal.” ( <i>manuscript available upon request</i> ) “Cheap Thrills: Audience Costs in the Age of Social Media,” with Raymond Wang ( <i>presented at ISA 2021 and APSA 2022; manuscript available upon request</i> ) “Explaining North Korea’s Unlikely Success: Personalist Regimes, Weak State Capacity, and Nuclear Weapons Programs.” ( <i>manuscript in progress</i> )
<b>BOOK CHAPTER</b>	“The Imperative for a Deeper India-US Strategic Partnership,” in <i>India’s Marathon: Reshaping the Post-Pandemic World Order</i> , ed. Pranay Kotasthane, Anirudh Kanisetti, and Nitin Pai (Bangalore, India: The Takshashila Institution, 2020).
<b>POLICY WRITING AND SELECTED MEDIA PUBLICATIONS</b>	“Indian MIRV-ed Missiles Augur Stability, Not Escalation” 9DashLine (2024). <a href="#">Link</a> “Can a Credible Offer of Peace Come from Pak?,” <i>Hindustan Times</i> (2023). <a href="#">Link</a> “Why the US Wants a Ban on ASAT Missile Testing,” <i>Hindustan Times</i> (2022). <a href="#">Link</a> “The Limits of Military Coercion in Halting Iran’s Nuclear Weapons Programme,” ORF Issue Brief No. 486, August 2021, Observer Research Foundation. <a href="#">Link</a> “Was Bangladesh or Bhutto Behind the Pakistani Bomb?,” <i>Hindustan Times</i> (2021). <a href="#">Link</a> “What is Nuclear China up to?,” <i>Hindustan Times</i> (2021). <a href="#">Link</a>

“The Message is Clear: China Pressing Forward to Create New Buffer Zones,” *Hindustan Times* (2020). [Link](#)

“The Big Picture After the Balakot Strikes: Does the Fate of F-16 Matter?,” *Hindustan Times* (2019). [Link](#)

“China’s Road in Doka La is headed for Thimphu,” *Mint* (2017). [Link](#)

**TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE**

**Intro to International Relations**, Spring 2022  
Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, MIT  
*Instructors:* Richard Nielsen and Mariya Grinberg

**Science, Technology, and Public Policy**, Spring 2023  
Teaching Assistant, Department of Political Science, MIT  
*Instructor:* Kenneth Oye

**AWARDS AND  
FELLOWSHIPS**

Visiting Research Fellowship, Hebrew University of Jerusalem (2023)  
Dissertation Fellowship, MIT International Science and Technology Initiative (2023)  
Summer Research Grant, MIT Center for International Studies (2023)  
Mint Journalism Award for Editorial Writing (2016)

**PROFESSIONAL  
EXPERIENCE**

**Hindustan Times**, New Delhi, India  
Staff writer, 2018-2019

**Mint**, New Delhi, India  
Staff writer, 2015-2018

**Centre for Policy Research**, New Delhi, India  
Research Associate, 2014-2015

**ZS Associates**, Gurugram, India  
Business Operations Associate, 2013-2014

**FIELDWORK**

**India:** New Delhi and Gurugram (*elite interviews in 2023*)

**Israel:** Jerusalem, Tel Aviv, Karmeit Yosef, Gedera, Ra’anana, and Ramat Hasharon (*elite interviews in 2023*)

**PROGRAMMING**

R, LaTeX, C, Java

**INVITED TALKS  
AND  
WORKSHOP  
PARTICIPATION**

**Speaker, Security Studies Seminar**  
Carnegie India, New Delhi, 17 August, 2023

**Participant, Course Design Workshop**  
Department of Political Science, MIT, Cambridge, April-May 2023

**Participant, Strategic Force Analysis Boot Camp**  
Sandia National Laboratories, Albuquerque, 18-23 September, 2022

**Speaker, Harvard Symposium on India**

Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, 6 December, 2019

**Speaker, International Young Scholars' Conference**

The Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi, 7-8 February, 2019

**Delegate, Visiting Program on CSR and Social Startups in Germany**

Friedrich-Naumann-Stiftung für die Freiheit, Hamburg/Berlin, 2-9 June, 2016

**Participant, Workshop on Strategic Studies**

Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi, 8-17 December, 2014

**Participant, Public Policy Workshop**

Office of Member of Parliament Bajiyant Panda, New Delhi, 31 August, 2014

**Participant, Graduate Certification in Public Policy**

The Takshashila Institution, Bangalore, February-April, 2014

**DEPARTMENT  
AND SOCIAL  
SERVICE**

**Volunteer**, MIT Political Science- Application Mentorship Program  
MIT, 2020

**Chair**, Nuclear Weapons Working Group  
Center for International Studies, MIT, 2021-2022

**Member**, First Year Undergraduate Advisory Committee  
Office of Dean, Undergraduate Studies, IIT Kharagpur, 2009-2010

**Volunteer**, National Service Scheme  
IIT Kharagpur, 2009-2011

**REFERENCES**

**Prof. Vipin Narang**

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**Prof. Barry Posen**

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Leo Marx Career Development Associate Professor in the History and Culture of Science  
and Technology, MIT  
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