

## DYUTI SAUNIK

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### EDUCATION

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**University of Virginia**, Charlottesville, VA

Ph.D., Foreign Affairs

2020-2025 (expected)

*Subfields:* Comparative Politics (major), International Affairs (minor)

**The George Washington University**, Washington, DC

M.A., International Affairs

2017-2019

*Thesis:* “Perceptions of India and Japan’s Membership in the Quadrilateral: Realist Concerns or Symbolism?”

*Capstone:* “Australia’s Threat Perception of Chinese Maritime Military Expansion”

- With the Center for Strategic and International Studies

GPA: 3.73/4.00

**The George Washington University**, Washington, DC

B.A., International Affairs, *magna cum laude*

2013-2017

*Thesis:* “Rewarding the Disloyal: BJP Candidate Nominations in the 2014 Indian Elections”

GPA: 3.66/4.00

### RESEARCH

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**Interests:** Political Parties, Party Switching, Elections and Campaigns, Bureaucracy, and India.

#### Works In Progress

- “Amplifying Citizen Voices for Bureaucratic Responsiveness: Critical Issues in Accountable Governance,” (with Gabrielle Kruks-Wisner, Tanu Kumar, and Jessica Mayberry).
- “When Does Electoral Cooperation End? Theory and Evidence from India,” (with Adam Ziegfeld).
- “What Drives Variation in Subnational Party Systems? The Case of India,” (with Carol Mershon).
- “Covid at the Frontlines: Local Citizen-State Engagement and Pandemic Response,” (with Avani Kapur and Gabrielle Kruks-Wisner).

### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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#### Graduate Research Assistant

Gabrielle Kruks-Wisner

2020-2022

- Interpreted and analyzed hundreds of grassroots accounts from citizen journalists and government workers through two leading NGOs in rural India to highlight gaps in trust and communication between citizens and the state during COVID-19. Results are published as an article and part of a forthcoming book chapter.

### TEACHING

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Teaching Assistant, University of Virginia

- PLCP 2420: Politics of Modernity (John Echeverri-Gent) Spring 2023
- PLIR 1010: International Relations (Peter Furia) Fall 2022
- PLCP 3110: Politics of Western Europe (Gerard Alexander) Spring 2022
- PLCP 3120: Politics of Developing Areas (Robert Fatton) Fall 2021

## PRESENTATIONS

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American Political Science Association

2022

## COMMENTARY

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2021. "State-Society Synergy at Covid's Invisible Frontlines." *Economic and Political Weekly*

*Engage* (with Avani Kapur, Gabrielle-Kruks Wisner, Jessica Mayberry).

2018. "Art of the Chieftaincy." Sigur Center for Asian Studies. *Asia Report* 42: 1-5.

2017. "Asia's Reckoning: China, Japan, and the Fate of US Power in the Pacific Century." Sigur Center for Asian Studies. *Asia Report* 38: 1-5.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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Allied IT Consultancy LLC, Jersey City, NJ

2019-2020

Data Analyst

- Designed digital media strategies for political parties and analyzed electoral trends to recommend targeted political outreach initiatives.

## SERVICE

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Coordinator, Lansing Lee/Bankard Seminar in Global Politics

2021-present

Editorial Assistant, American Journal of Political Science

2021-2022

Grader, Russian Politics (Allen Lynch)

Spring 2021

Grader, Russia in World Affairs (Allen Lynch)

Fall 2020

## AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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Junior Fellow, Society of Fellows, University of Virginia

2022-2023

Elliott School of International Affairs Travel Award

2019

GW Global Initiative Graduate Fellowship

2017-2019

Elliott School of International Affairs Graduate Fellowship

2017-2019

GW Undergraduate Research Prize

2016

## FIELD RESEARCH

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Approximately nine months of field research in urban and rural India (Maharashtra).

Approximately one month of field research in Australia (New South Wales and Australian Capital Territory).

## SKILLS

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Technical Experience: Stata, SPSS, Microsoft Office.

Languages: Hindi (native), German (advanced), Albanian (beginner), Turkish (beginner).