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1. Ghimire, Dirgha J. "Social Change, Courtship Process and Marital Quality in Non-western Setting."
2. Bates, Michael N., Sachet P. Shrestha, Ian L. Bailey, Robert B. DiMartino, Karl Pope, Srijana Thapa Godar, Shristi Shrestha, Tula R. Sijali, and Dirgha J. Ghimire. "Cross-Sectional Study of Cataract of the Ocular Lens in Nepali Women in Relation to Household Fuel Use."
3. Clark, Michele, Qunshan Zhao, Abigail Sullivan, Scott Yabiku, Abigail York, Dirgha Ghimire, Li An, Jie Dai, Sean Murphy, and Sharon J. Hall. "Ecological and Social Drivers of Invasive Plant Abundance in Buffer Zone Community Forests within a Subtropical Biodiversity Hotspot."
4. Ghimire, Dirgha J. "Social Change, Individual and Intergenerational Influence of Fatalism on Marriage Timing."

5. Patel, Anoushka, William G. Axinn, and Dirgha J. Ghimire. “The Role of Restroom Quality in Academic Success.”
6. Sharma, Uttam and Dirgha J. Ghimire. “How Does Father’s Migration Status Influence School Choice and Achievement of Their Children?”

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1. Hermosilla, Sabrina, Emily Treleaven, and Dirgha J. Ghimire. 2022. “Migration and Health in Nepal.” Chapter 32 in *Migration and Health* edited by Sandro Galea, Catherine K. Ettman, and Muhammad H. Zaman. Chicago, IL and London, UK: The University of Chicago Press.
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Fehringer, Jessica, Mary Allegra Paul, Dirgha J. Ghimire, Jeevan Raj Lohani, Prem Bandhari, Diwakar Basnet, B. C. Kalpana, Kamana Uprety. 2018. Interventions to Strengthen the Health Facility Operations and Management Committees in Nepal: Final Report MEASURE Evaluation Gender, Policy, and Measurement Program (funded by USAID).
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Fehringer, Jessica, Prem Bhandari, Dirgha J. Ghimire, Jeevan Raj Lohani, B. Dawadi, V. Acharya, and B. Adhikari. 2015. Impact Evaluation of Approaches to Strengthen Health Facility Operation and Management Committees in Nepal: Baseline Report. MEASURE Evaluation Gender, Policy, and Measurement Program (funded by USAID).
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Ghimire, Dirgha J. 1994. CARE-Nepal Long Range Strategy Plan, CARE-International in Nepal.

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Ghimire, Dirgha J., Amit Anshumali, Emily Treleaven, and Sabrina Hermosilla. “International Out-Migration and the Health of Left-Behind Adolescents in Nepal.”

Ghimire, Dirgha J., and William G. Axinn. “Community-Level Ideation and Fertility Transition: Neighbors’ Ideas and Transition to Parenthood.”

Ghimire, Dirgha J., and William G. Axinn. “Parents’ Socioeconomic Characteristics and Intergenerational Transmission of Marital Behavior.”

Ghimire, Dirgha J., and William G. Axinn. “Social Change, Population, and Environment: Impact of Population on Biodiversity in a Natural Resources-Dependent Community.”

Ghimire, Dirgha J., Natalie D. Eggum, Scott T. Yabiku, Jennifer Glick and Sarah Hayford. “International Labour Out-Migration: Association Between Social Network and Destination Choices.”

Ghimire Dirgha J., Rija Manadhar et al. “Estimating Agriculture Production: Challenges and Potentials for Improving Production Estimates.”

Research Grants

February 2023 - January 2024	Integrating natural hazards engineering and social demography to identify cumulative consequences of recurrent flooding Co-PI
February 2023 - January 2024	Economic and Social Research Council Supplementing Measures of Social Accountability and Enhancing Understanding of Accountability and Students’ Achievement during the COVID-19 Pandemic Principal Investigator (ES/X014037/1) \$136,900 Total Cost

September 2022 - May 2027	National Institute on Aging International Labor Migration, Armed Conflict and Dementia Risk in Nepal: A Population Study Multiple Principal Investigator (R01 AG074079) \$3,362,500 Total Cost
September 2022 - August 2024	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Data Archiving and Dissemination for Comparative Population Science Co-Investigator (R03 HD107047) \$164,500 Total Cost
April 2022 - March 2024	French National Institute of Research for Sustainable Development, Institute of Research for Development, France Randomized Evaluation of a Parental Education Training Program and Its Impacts on Children's Early Childhood Development Outcomes in Nepal Co-Investigator €79,995 Total Cost
March 2022 - September 2022	University of California, Berkeley Using Co-Design to Improve Household Biogas Systems and Their Cost-Effectiveness in Nepalese Farming Communities Social Science Adviser \$14,064 Total Cost
September 2021 - August 2023	National Institute of Mental Health A New Population-scale Approach for the Study of Psychological Stress in the Transition to Adulthood Co-Investigator (R21 HD104993) \$429,000 Total Cost
July 2021 - June 2026	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Family Migration Context, Socialization, and Children's Socio-emotional Development in Nepal Co-Investigator (R01 HD101527) \$1,464,122 Total Cost
September 2020 - August 2022	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Migrant, Family Context, and Child Health Co-Investigator (R03 HD098705) \$156,000 Total Cost
July 2020 - April 2025	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Interdisciplinary Research Training Program for International Population Science Co-Investigator (R25 HD 101358) \$810,000 Total Cost
June 2020 - February 2025	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Intergenerational Influences on Marriage, Contraception, and Childbearing Co-Investigator (R01 HD099135) \$3,780,858 Total Cost
April 2020 - March 2023	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Impact of Relationship Factors on Physical and Psychological Health and Wellbeing Principal Investigator (R03 HD098706) \$156,000 Total Cost
April 2019 - March 2025	McGill University Women's Work and Child Wellbeing Across the Lifecourse: Evidence from Nepal Co-Investigator (1014758) \$25,022 Total Cost

April 2018 - March 2019	Templeton Religion Trust, National Opinion Research Center (NORC), University of Chicago International Social Survey Program Religion IV study: Cross National Comparative Study of Religion in Nepal Principal Investigator USD \$170,196 Total Cost
October 2017 - September 2021	Department for International Development (DFID) – Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) Improving Learning: Developing Measures of Accountability and Evaluating their Association with Students' Gains in Achievement in Nepal Principal Investigator (ES/P005551/1) \$916,224 Total Cost
September 2017 - June 2021	National Institute of Mental Health Understanding the Connections among Genes, Environment, Family Processes, and Mental Health Co-Investigator (R01 MH110872) \$3,108,183 Total Cost
September 2016 - August 2019	Columbia University Family Migration and Early Life Outcomes FAMELO Project: Migrant Interview Augmentation Principal Investigator. \$77,796 Total Cost
September 2016 - August 2017	National Institute of Mental Health Understanding the Connections among Genes, Environment, Family Processes and Mental Health Co-Investigator (R56 MH110872) \$819,442 Total Cost
August 2016 - July 2018	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Female Labor Force Participation and Child Outcomes Institutional Principal Investigator (R03 HD086301) \$171,627 Total Cost
July 2016 - March 2017	MEASURE Evaluation at University of North Carolina Strengthening Health Facility Operation and Management Committees (HFOMCs) Endline Quantitative Data Collection in Nepal. Principal Investigator \$324,117 Total Cost
October 2015 - September 2016	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Testing a New Approach to Research on Genetics, Environment, Family and Mental Health Co-Investigator (R56 HD085284) \$299,563 Total Cost
September 2015 - August 2018	National Eye Institute Investigation of Ocular Disease and Household Fuels in Kaski District, Nepal Co-Investigator (R01 EY025022)
July 2015 - June 2020	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Family Migration Context and Early Life Outcomes Principal Investigator (P01 HD080659) \$198,069 Total Cost
October 2014 - September 2017	Department for International Development (DFID) – Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) Labor Outmigration, Agricultural Productivity and Food Security Principal Investigator (ES/L012065/1) \$882,017 Total Cost

September 2014 - August 2017	PEER Health (National Academy of Science), a joint program of USAID & National Institute of Health Investigation of the effectiveness of national clean cookstove program in Nepal in reducing acute respiratory tract infection in ≤5 children. Investigator \$449,384 Total Cost
April 2014 - March 2015	MEASURE Evaluation at University of North Carolina Impact Evaluation of a Gender Equality and Social Inclusion (GESI) and Community Engagement Intervention for Health Facility Operation and Management Committees in Nepal: Quantitative Component Principal Investigator \$303,120 Total Cost
June 2013 - May 31 2015	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Innovation in the Measurement of Community Contextual Features (Yabiku, PI. Arizona State). Principal Investigator (R21 HD073758) of the Michigan subcontract \$259,018 Michigan Total Cost
September 2012 - August 2018	National Science Foundation CNH: Feedbacks between Human Community Dynamics and Socio-ecological Vulnerability in a Biodiversity Hotspot (Yabiku, PI. Arizona State) Principal Investigator (13 066 BCS 1211498) of the Michigan subcontract \$464,318 Michigan Total Cost
October 2010 - September 2012	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Innovative Methods for Obtaining Survey Data from Migrants Co-Principal Investigator (R21 HD065077) \$425,562 Total Cost
September 2009 - August 2011	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Marital Process, Husband-Wife Relations, and Fertility Limitation Principal Investigator (R03HD055976) \$154,500 Total Cost
September 2009 - August 2012	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Reciprocal Relations Between Population and Environment Co-Principal Investigator (R01HD033551 12) \$1,039,836 Total Cost
July 2009 - June 2011	Center for International and Regional Studies (CIRS) at the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service in Qatar Migrants to the Gulf Cooperation Council Countries: Values, Behaviors, and Plans Co-Principal Investigator \$34,596 Total Cost
April 2008 - March 2013	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Ideational Influence on Marriage and Childbearing in Nepal Co-Principal Investigator (R01 HD054842) \$2,925,229 Total Cost
October 2007 - September 2012	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Intergenerational Influences on Family Formation in a Changing Social Context Co-Investigator (R01 HD032912) \$2,501,948 Total Cost
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September 25, 2025	

September 2012	PIRE Collaborative Research and Training in Social Context, Population Processes, and Environmental Change International Collaborator (OISE 0729709) \$2,492,303 Total Cost
July 2001 - May 2007	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Reciprocal Relations between Population and Environment Co-Investigator (R01 HD33551) \$1,880,920 Direct Cost
September 1999 - August 2004	National Institute of Child Health and Human Development Changing Social Context and Family Formation. Co-Investigator (R01 HD32912) \$1,148,496 Direct Cost

Teaching Experience

Courses

- Mixed Method Data Collection Methods (Co-taught with Lisa Pearce) Course # Survey Methodology 653, Summer 2013
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- Nursing Research: Survey Design and Analysis Using Mixed Methods, 2015
- Introduction to Survey Research (short course in Nepal), 2010-2011
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-Pratik Adhikary (2019-2020)
-Uttam Sharma (2023-2024)
-Abha Sharma (2023-2024)

Professional Presentations

Sharma, Uttam, Dirgha Ghimire, and Emily Treleaven. 2024. “Exploring the Relationship Between Birthweight and Father’s International Migration Status in Nepal.” Paper presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, April 17-20, Columbus, OH.

Choquette-Levy, Nicolas, Dirgha Ghimire, Rajendra Ghimire, Indra Chaudhary, Dil CK, and Michael Oppenheimer. 2023. “How Does Heterogeneity in Social and Informational Capital Affect Nepali Farmer Climate Risk Management?” Poster presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, April 12-15, New Orleans, LA.

- Kamei, Akito, Rebecca Thornton, and Dirgha Ghimire. 2023. "The Dynamic Relationship Between Migration, Family Planning, and Fertility in Nepal." Paper presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, April 12-15, New Orleans, LA.
- Ghimire, Dirgha, and Keera Allendorf. 2022. "Social Change, Courtship Processes, and Marital Quality in a Non-Western Setting." Poster presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, April 6-9, Atlanta, GA.
- Banchoff, Emma, William Axinn, Dirgha Ghimire, and Kate Scott. 2022. "Intergenerational Influences of Mental Health on Fertility Timing." Paper presented at the Population Association of America Annual Meeting, April 6-9, Atlanta, GA.
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