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EDUCATION

2015- 2019: University of Colombo, Sri Lanka, BA in Sociology (Special) with First Class Honours (GPA: 3.64 /4.0)

Thesis: "Social Contours of the Economy: A Sociological Study of the Entrepreneurial Behaviour of Small and Medium Scale Muslim Business Owners in Dehiwala"

2017-2018: University of Plymouth, UK, MSc. in Brand and Design Management [by coursework] with Distinction

2013-2016: University of Plymouth, UK, BSc. (Hons.) Marketing Management with First Class Honours

AREAS OF INTEREST

Social Inequalities and Stratification, Sociology of Disasters, Social Capital, Poverty and Development, Policy Studies and Governance

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters

Fernando, N., **Jayasinghe, N.**, Amaratunga, D., Haigh, R., Siriwardana, C., Jayasekara, R. and Jayaweera, S. (2020) '**Towards Broadening the Scope of Disaster Risk Reduction: An Exploration of How Epidemic and Pandemic Preparedness is Currently Embedded within Existing Disaster Risk Reduction Planning in Sri Lanka**' in Amaratunga, D., Haigh, R. and Dias, N. (ed.) Multi - Hazard Early Warning and Disaster Risk Reduction, Springer Nature: Cham, Switzerland.

Available at: https://link.springer.com/chapter/10.1007/978-3-030-73003-1_56

Fernando, N., **Jayasinghe, N.**, Amaratunga, D., Haigh, R., Siriwardana, C., Herath, H., Ranaweera, P., Ariyasinghe, U., and Jayaweera, S. (2020) '**Settling the Ripples: An Examination of Sri Lanka's Approach to Addressing Cascading Impacts of the COVID-19 Pandemic**' in Senaratne, R., Amaratunga, D., Mendis, S. & Athukorala, P. (ed.) COVID 19: Impact, Mitigation, Opportunities and Building Resilience "From Adversity to Serendipity", Perspectives of global relevance based on research, experience and successes in combating COVID-19 in Sri Lanka, Vol. 1, National science Foundation: Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Available at: http://www.nsf.ac.lk/images/pdf/COVID_Volume_NSF.pdf

Fernando, N., Amaratunga, D., Haigh, R., Wise, B., Prasanna, J. and **Jayasinghe, N.** (2020) '**Life two years after relocation: Status quo of natural hazard induced displacement and relocation in Kegalle, Sri Lanka**' in Amaratunga, D., Haigh, R. and Dias, N. (ed.) Multi - Hazard Early Warning and Disaster Risk Reduction, Springer Nature: Cham, Switzerland.

Available at: <https://www.springerprofessional.de/en/life-two-years-after-relocation-status-quo-of-natural-hazard-ind/19653956>

Fernando, N. and **Jayasinghe, N.** (2022) '**Relocation of Vulnerable Households following Natural Disasters: Evidence of Planned Relocation in Sri Lanka**' in Hamza, M., Amaratunga, D., Haigh, R., Malalgoda, C., and Jayakody, C. (ed.) Rebuilding Communities after Displacement - Sustainable and Resilience Approaches (accepted for publication)

Peer Reviewed Articles

Amaratunga, D., Fernando N., Haigh, R., and **Jayasinghe, N.** (2020) **'The COVID-19 outbreak in Sri Lanka: A synoptic analysis focusing on trends, impacts, risks and science-policy interaction processes'**, *Progress in Disaster Science*, 8, 100133,ISSN25900617,<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pdisas.2020.100133>.

Available at: <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2590061720300703>.

Jayasinghe, N., Fernando, N., Haigh, R., Amaratunga, D., Fernando, N., Vithanage, C., Ratnayake, J. and Ranawana, C. (2022) **Economic resilience in an era of 'systemic risk': Insights from four key economic sectors in Sri Lanka'**, *Progress in Disaster Science*, 14, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pdisas.2022.100231>. Available at: <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S2590061722000187>.

Technical Reports

Fernando, N., Amaratunga, D., Wise, B., Haigh, R., Prasanna, J., Vijekumara, A., Ekanayake, K., Senanayake, A. and **Jayasinghe, N.** (2020) **Life Two Years After Relocation: Status quo of Natural Hazard Induced Displacement and Relocation in Kegalle, Sri Lanka.**

Available at:

https://www.researchgate.net/publication/350383469_Life_Two_Years_After_Relocation_Status_quo_of_Natural_Hazard_Induced_Displacement_and_Relocation_in_Kegalle_Sri_Lanka

Amaratunga, D., Haigh, R., Fernando, N., **Jayasinghe, N.**, Siriwardana, C., Jayasekara, R. and Jayaweera, S. (2020) **Position paper on the integration of epidemic and pandemic preparedness in disaster risk reduction planning in Sri Lanka.**

Available at:

https://www.researchgate.net/publication/347254478_Position_paper_on_the_integration_of_epidemic_and_pandemic_preparedness_in_disaster_risk_reduction_planning_in_Sri_Lanka

Presentations

Jayasinghe, N. (2020) **Social Contours of the Economy: Entrepreneurial Behaviour of Small and Medium Scale Business Owners in Dehiwala'**, in: Undergraduate Research Symposium Humanities and Social Sciences, July 2020, Colombo, Sri Lanka

International Symposium of Multi-hazard Early Warning and Disaster Risk Reduction, Plenary Session 02: Integrating Epidemic and Pandemic Preparedness into Disaster Risk Reduction, virtual conference, 15th December 2020

'Existing Disaster Risk Reduction Planning and Epidemic and Pandemic preparedness'

Co-Presented with Eng. Ravindu Jayasekara of the Department of Civil Engineering, University of Moratuwa.

Jayasinghe N., Fernando, N., Vithanage, C., Fernando, S., Ratnayake, J., Ranawana, C., Amaratunga, D., and Haigh, R. (2021), **A typology of the role of the private sector in pandemic preparedness and response: Key insights from four key economic sectors in Sri Lanka**, in: 7th International Conference On Humanities And Social Sciences (ICONArts 2021), December 2021, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Jayasinghe, N., Fernando, N., Amaratunga, D. and haigh, R. (2022), **Managing Compound Events in the COVID-19 Era: A Critical Analysis of Policing and Planning, Execution and Gaps**, in: International Research and Innovation Symposium on Dengue Amidst the Pandemic, March 2022, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

Select Popular Press and Other Publications

Newsletter Articles

THREADS: The Newsletter of the Sociology Alumni Association, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka, Issue, May 2021

'Listening to Community Voices: An Overview of Community Level Interventions to COVID-19 in Sri Lanka- A Case Study from Thamankaduwa'

Co-authored with Dr. Nishara Fernando, senior lecturer at the Department of Sociology, University of Colombo and Mr. Suni Jayaweera, Director of the Preparedness Planning Division, Disaster Management Centre, Sri Lanka

Features

'Controversy Surrounding Private Higher Educational Institutions', Daily Mirror, 6th December 2013.

Available at: <https://www.dailymirror.lk/39830/the-controversy-surrounding-private-higher-educational-institutions->

'Visually Impaired Say They are Ignored,' Daily Mirror, 28th September 2013.

Available at: <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20130928/281509338889740>

News Reports

'Academic community should help achieve social equity: GL', Daily Mirror, 14th October 2013

Available at: <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20131014/textview>

'Land issues forcing under-aged marriages: Ravana Balaya', Daily Mirror, 22nd October 2013

Co-authored with reporter for the Daily Mirror, Sanath Desmond.

Available at: <https://www.pressreader.com/sri-lanka/daily-mirror-sri-lanka/20131022/281698317483898>

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

April 2020 – Present

Social Policy Analysis and Research Centre (SPARC), Faculty of Arts, University of Colombo - Research Assistant

Research project: Integrating Epidemic and Pandemic Preparedness into Disaster Risk Reduction in Sri Lanka

Research Project: Improving COVID-19 and Pandemic Preparedness and Response through the Downstream of Multi-hazard Early Warning Systems (project website: <http://www.pandemic-mhew.org/>)

Research Project: Integrating pandemic, tsunami, and other multi-hazard preparedness into early warning and urban planning (project flyer: http://cabaret.buildresilience.org/2020_Symposium/img/elements/covid03.pdf)

Applied Research Project: Developing a waste app to support Municipal Solid Waste Management (MSWM) in Sri Lanka

Research Project: Life two years after relocation: Status quo of natural hazard induced displacement and resettlements in Sri Lanka

2017-2018

MSc in Brand and Design Management at the University of Plymouth

Market Research Study for Woodside Animal Welfare Trust, Plymouth, UK

2015-2020

BA in Sociology (Special) at the University of Colombo

Applied Research Study on the outcomes of the Urban Regeneration Program of Sri Lanka.

Undergraduate Research Project: An exploration of the entrepreneurial behaviour of small and medium scale-Muslim entrepreneurs from a sociological standpoint

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2019-present: Teacher, Scienco Education Consultants (Pvt) Ltd., Business Studies (Cambridge IGCSE curriculum)

2017-2018: Student Ambassador, University of Plymouth, UK

September 2013 – November 2013: Free-lance writer, Daily Mirror Editorial, Wijeya Newspapers Limited, Sri Lanka

AWARDS

2020: N.D.S Silva Memorial Prize for Sociology for the best performance in the Final Degree Examination in Arts held in 2020 at the Faculty of Arts, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka,

2018: Placed in the Dean's List for the academic year 2017/2018 at the University of Plymouth – Faculty of Business.

2016: Most Outstanding Academic Performance in the School of Management, National School of Business Management, Sri Lanka in affiliation with University of Plymouth, UK.

SELECT VOLUNTEER AND EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

2016: Represented Sri Lanka at the Ecosperity Young Leaders' Dialogue, Singapore.

2014-2015: Served as the Secretary of the Rotaract Club of National School of Business Management [RCNSBM]