

EDUCATION

Virginia Tech

Master of Science

Virginia, USA

Jan'2025 -

• Major: Computer Science & Applications

Delhi Technological University

Bachelor of Technology

• Major: Software Engineering

o CGPA: 8.56/10

New Delhi, India 2019 - 2023

Publications

• Analyzing the Dynamics of Climate Change Discourse on Twitter: A New Annotated Corpus and Multi-Aspect Classification

SHIWAKOTI S.*, THAPA S.*, RAUNIYAR K., SHAH A., BHANDARI A., NASEEM U. In 2024 Joint International Conference on Computational Linguistics, Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC-COLING).

- Memeclip: Leveraging Clip Representations for Multimodal Meme Classification Shah S.B., **Shiwakoti S.**, Chaudhary M., Wang H. In 2024 Conference on Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing(EMNLP).
- NEHATE: Large-Scale Annotated Data Shedding Light on Hate Speech in Nepali Local Election Discourse

Thapa S.*, Rauniyar K.*, **Shiwakoti S.**, Poudel S., Nasem U., Nasim M. In 2023 26th European Conference on Artificial Intelligence(ECAI) (pp. 2346-2353).

• Breaking Barriers: Exploring the Diagnostic Potential of Speech Narratives in Hindi for Alzheimer's Disease

RAUNIYAR K., SHIWAKOTI S., POUDEL S., THAPA S., NASEEM U., NASIM M. In Proceedings of the 2023 ACL 5th Clinical Natural Language Processing Workshop. (pp. 24–30).

- Multi-Aspect Annotation and Analysis of Nepali Tweets on Anti-Establishment Election Discourse Rauniyar K., Poudel S., Shiwakoti S., Thapa S., Rashid J., Kim J., Imran M., Naseem U. *In IEEE Access Journal.*
- THYMES: A Framework for Detecting Suicidal Ideation from Social Media Posts Using Hyperbolic Learning

NASEEM U., SHAH S.B., THAPA S. **SHIWAKOTI S.**, ZHANG Q., HU L. *Accepted at IEEE BigData 2024.*

* denotes equal contribution.

EXPERIENCE

Researcher

James Cook University, Macquarie University; Advisor: Dr. Usman Naseem

Oct'23 - Present

- Worked on various research projects in computational social science(CSS), social media analysis, low-resource language analysis, and AI for healthcare.
- o The studies included hate speech analysis, multi-aspect analysis of text data, LLMs in CSS, etc
- Currently working on multimodal data analysis for climate change-related memes.

Undergraduate Researcher

Delhi, India

Delhi Technological University; Advisor: Priya Singh

Sep'22 - May'23

- Investigated and analyzed various methods for vehicle trajectory predictions(VTP) for a thorough survey of the field.
- Surveyed 43 research articles related to VTP and published the results at a conference.

Research Intern Remote

Manchester Metropolitan University; Advisor: Dr. Akshi Kumar

Jul'22 - Nov'22

- Implementing and exploring various image classification techniques for the classification of different types of diabetic foot ulcers(DFUs)
- Creating an ensemble approach for DFU classification that leveraged multiple powerful image classification models for effective and reliable classification.

Software Development Intern

Remote

Cloutflow Jun'22 - Nov'22

- Worked with the app development team to develop cross- platform apps using React native.
- Contributed to web-based(React) projects with the web development team.

Technology Intern

Remote

Global Governance Initiative

Aug'21 - March'22

- Worked as a full stack developer to solve business problems end-to-end through tech.
- Designed and developed a video streaming platform(The Trinity) and a Learning Management System(GGI-LMS).

ACADEMIC SERVICE

Program Committee:

- CHiPSAL: Challenges in Processing South Asian Languages @ COLING 2025.
- MM4SG Workshop on Multimodal Content Analysis for Social Good @ ICDM 2024.
- VLM4Bio Workshop on Vision-Language Models for Biomedical Applications @ ACM Multimedia 2024.
- The journal track with Machine Learning Journal (MLJ) in the 11th IEEE International Conference on Data Science and Advanced Analytics (DSAA 2024).
- MM4SG Workshop on Multimodal Content Analysis for Social Good @ ACM WebConf 2024.
- Climate Activism Shared Task @ CASE co-located with EACL 2024.

PROJECTS

ClimaConvo: Climate change twitter data analysis

- Created a comprehensively annotated multi-aspect dataset pertaining climate change discourse in twitter.
- Conducted through analysis of the tweets through advance topic modeling and sentimental analysis techniques.
- Conducted experiments with various architecture and established baselines for 6 tasks.

NEHate: Hate detection for low resource language

- Released a comprehensively annotated dataset for hate detection including multiple target identification for a low resource language(Nepali)
- Conducted analysis of the tweets and experiments with various architectures to measure baseline results.

Neural Style Transfer through Deep Learning

- A deep learning project that transfers the styles of one image to another.
- Build using the PyTorch library and the VGG19 model.

Youtube Gemini Chatbot

- A chatbot as a Chrome extension that uses transcripts from a YouTube video for QA regarding the video.
- The backend uses the Gemini API for the QA. Backend built using Node.js and fronted using React.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, C++, C
- Frameworks & Tools: Pytorch, Tensorflow, Flask, NumPy, Pandas
- Other Tools & Technologies: AWS, MongoDB, PostgreSQL, Docker, Javascript, React, React Native, NodeJS, Adobe XD, Adobe Photoshop