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EDUCATION

- 2013 – 2016 **PhD in Computer Science**, Université de Lorraine, France.
Specialisation : Computational Linguistics
- 2009 – 2011 **Erasmus Mundus Masters in Computer Science**, Université de Lorraine, France & University of Malta, Malta.
Specialisation : Computational Linguistics
- 2003 – 2007 **Bachelor in Information Technology**, Purbanchal University, Nepal.

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Google Grant **Google Grant for attending Lisbon Machine Learning School (LxMLS 2014)**.
- PhD Study **Doctoral Contract, 2013 – 2015**, French Research and Education Ministry.
- Masters Study **Erasmus Mundus Scholarship, 2009 – 2011**, European Commission.
- Bachelor Study **Full tuition fee waiver, 2003 – 2007**, Himalayan WhiteHouse Int'l College.

THESES

- PhD Thesis 2016 **Surface Realisation from Knowledge Bases.**
I proposed novel methods for generating textual descriptions of RDF triples based on learning from training examples of KB/text pairs.
- Masters Thesis 2011 **Answering Factoid Questions via Ontologies : A Natural Language Generation Approach.**
I proposed an approach for generating questions and answers over concepts and relations present in ontologies.

WORK

- December 2015 – Present **Post Doctoral Researcher**, CNRS, France.
My current research focuses on training deep neural networks to map natural language text to formal models (Semantic Parsing) and vice versa (Generation).
- November 2008 – August 2009 **IT Officer**, Nepal SBI Bank Limited, Kathmandu, Nepal.
I worked on the design and implementation of the bank's inter-branch computer network.

PUBLICATIONS

- 2017 **ModelWriter: Text and Model-Synchronized Document Engineering Platform**, Ferhat Erata, Claire Gardent, Bikash Gyawali, Anastasia Shimorina, Yvan Lussaud, Bedir Tekinerdogan, Geylani Kardas & Anne Monceaux, *32nd IEEE/ACM International Conference on Automated Software Engineering (ASE 2017)*, Illinois, U.S.
- 2017 **Mapping Natural Language to Description Logic**, Bikash Gyawali, Anastasia Shimorina, Claire Gardent, Samuel Cruz-Lara & Mariem Mahfoudh, *14th Extended Semantic Web Conference (ESWC 2017)*, Portoroz, Slovenia.
- 2015 **A Domain Agnostic Approach to Verbalizing n-ary Events without Parallel Corpora**, Bikash Gyawali, Claire Gardent & Christophe Cerisara, *15th European Workshop on Natural Language Generation (ENLG 2015)*, Brighton, U.K.
- 2015 **Automatic Verbalisation of Biological Events**, Bikash Gyawali, Claire Gardent & Christophe Cerisara, *3rd International Workshop on Definitions in Ontologies (IWOOD 2015)*, Lisbon, Portugal.
- 2014 **Surface Realisation from Knowledge-Bases**, Bikash Gyawali & Claire Gardent, *52nd Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics (ACL 2014)*, Baltimore, U.S.
- 2013 **LOR-KBGEN, A Hybrid Approach to Generating from the KBGen Knowledge-Base**, Bikash Gyawali & Claire Gardent, *14th European Workshop on Natural Language Generation (ENLG 2013)*, Sofia, Bulgaria.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- March 2016 – June 2016 **Python Programming Instructor**, Université de Lorraine, Nancy, France.
I delivered Python programming sessions to Bachelor 3rd year students in Computer Science.
- November 2007 – November 2008 **Lecturer**, Himalayan WhiteHouse Int'l College, Kathmandu, Nepal.
I taught introductory level programming courses to students in Computer Science department.
- August 2002 – November 2003 **Teaching Assistant**, Birendra Sainik Awasiya Mahavidhyalaya, Bhaktapur, Nepal.
I worked as an academic mentor to junior high school students.

TRAININGS

- LxMLS 2014 **4th Lisbon Machine Learning Summer School**, Lisbon, Portugal.
- Coursera **Machine Learning**.

PROJECT CONTRIBUTIONS

European Project **ModelWriter : Building integrated authoring environment for text and KB.**
I worked as the lead developer for building Semantic Parser engine for the project. Achieved work package goals in time and represented our team in several meetings, reviews and demos.

HANDS-ON EXPERIENCE

NLP Tools Stanford CoreNLP, Weka, NLTK

ML Tools DeepLearning4j, PyTorch

Programming Java, Python, JavaScript, HTML

Others Unix/Windows, Git, L^AT_EX

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Deep Learning Approaches to NLP
- Semantic Parsing/Generation
- Information Retrieval