

SAMAKSH BHARDWAJ

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PROFILE

Motivated IR and Political Science graduate focused on public policy, governance, and international development. Aiming to contribute to evidence-based policymaking and effective institutional outcomes. Founder of Vriksh Verse, an environmental protection and promotion initiative. Experienced in government internships, statistical research, and interdisciplinary academic inquiry.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

International organisation, Research Intern May 2026 - Jun 2026
SAARC Secretariat Kathmandu, Nepal

- Conducted policy research on regional cooperation, digital governance, and sustainable development in South Asia.
- Analysed policy documents and research reports, and prepared briefs and summaries to support knowledge-sharing initiatives.
- Gained firsthand insight into multilateral diplomacy and regional governance within the SAARC framework.

Government Intern Dec 2025 - Jan 2026
Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Good Governance, Bhopal, India

The work is based on policy analysis, making recommendations and also working on policy recommendations and project management, and also making minutes of meetings and conferences for the officials' work.

Government Intern Dec 2024 - Jan 2025
Madhya Pradesh State Election Commission Bhopal, India

- Gained practical insight into the functioning of a state election commission, including free and fair election processes.
- Developed knowledge of symbol allotment to political parties and the mechanics of electoral systems in India.

Operations & Logistics Intern Sept 2024 - Oct 2024
Growth Keep Towards Remote

- Managed customer interactions, shipment tracking, regular audits, returns handling, and inventory management.
- Contributed to operational efficiency and team coordination in a fast-paced logistics environment.

EDUCATION

South Asian University 2025 - Present
Master's in International Relations (In Progress)

Bhopal School of Social Sciences Aug 2022 - May 2025
B.A. Political Science — Above 8.0 CGPA (3 Semesters)

Bhopal School of Social Science Apr 2023 - Apr 2024
Diploma in Archaeology

World Way International School Jul 2021 - Jul 2022
Higher Secondary Education

CERTIFICATIONS & ACHIEVEMENTS

- ICMRP Certification - Research Paper: A Survey of Regional Architecture of Bhopal City from the 18th to 20th Century
- Certificate in Archaeology - Bhopal School of Social Science - *Jul 2023*
- Certification in State Assembly Working - Pandit Kunjilal Dubey Sansadiya Vidyapeeth - *Sept 2024*
- Certificate of Participation - State Level RBI 90 Quiz by RBI
- Letter of Appreciation - Akhanda Seva Jana Vikas Kaliyan Samiti (NGO)
- Certificate in Rifle Shooting - M.P. State Rifle Association
- Certificate of Merit - Student Olympic State Games

CERTIFICATE COURSES

- International Diplomacy and Protocol Masterclass — Udemy
- Jamovi: A Powerful R-Based Statistical Analysis Tool — Data District
- Global Diplomacy: The United Nations in the World — University of London, Coursera
- Foundations of Cybersecurity — Google, Coursera
- Play It Safe: Manage Security Risks — Google, Coursera
- Introduction to Artificial Intelligence — IBM, Coursera

TECHNICAL & COMMUNICATION SKILLS

Research & Analysis: JAMOMI (statistical analysis), academic research, report writing

Software: Microsoft Office Suite, Microsoft PowerPoint, Google Workspace

Core Competencies: Leadership, effective communication, critical thinking, adaptability

Languages: English (Fluent), Hindi (Fluent)

Interests: Cricket, badminton, rifle shooting, singing, cooking, fitness, travel & cross-cultural exploration