

LIFE AFTER ZJGSU

UPDATE FROM OUR THREE-TIME NATIONAL AWARD WINNER



Rubina Uprety from Nepal graduated from the Law School as the top achieving international student, with a 93% overall score (equivalent of 4.0 GPA). She won the University's First-Prize Scholarship, and for every single year of her studies received the PRC Ministry of Education's 'Outstanding International Student Award Scholarship', in 2015, 2016 and 2017.

As she prepares to go to the USA for postgraduate studies (the plan is eventually to do a PhD), she has taken the opportunity of a few months at home in Kathmandu to develop her skills and gain work experience.

Rubina, pictured above at the United Nations' office in Kathmandu, has been working as an intern for the UN Office on Drugs and Crime. She has been supporting full time staff with two major studies, one on the smuggling of migrants and the other on human trafficking. She has also assisted Hon Justice Tek Narayan Kunwar, with whom she had previously interned, with research on Nepali jurisprudence on International Humanitarian Law, for a major project that he is involved in.

Rubina is waiting eagerly for the publication of her undergraduate dissertation in Nepal's premier law journal, published by the National Judicial Academy:

Getting your paper published in the National law journal is indeed a matter of great pride. I am more than looking forward to seeing my thesis published in the NJA Law Journal. . . I can't describe my excitement in words!

Rubina has also been working with a local company. She reports that:

The work at the company has been a particularly rewarding. I say so because it is such a huge opportunity for me to implement the knowledge that I gained from different courses I took in Gongshang. My job title is Legal Advisor and Project Manager. Precisely, I oversee the company's projects with Chinese companies. The work ranges from drawing contracts, negotiating the terms in the contract, translation from Nepali/ English to Chinese or vice versa, mediation and so on. My Chinese language skill has been extremely helpful. I have been getting job offers from various other companies (both Nepali and Chinese) due to this skill as there are numerous Chinese companies wanting to work here in Nepal and Nepali companies wanting to have joint-ventures with Chinese companies. A legal advisor with Chinese language skills is in great demand here and I hardly have any competition. This work is helping me practice my Chinese and also put into practice what I learnt as theory at the law school. Besides, it is helping me broaden my network which, for sure, will prove to be helpful throughout my career.

As if that were not enough, Rubina launched a website on International Women's Day, at <https://thefemale diary.com/>. She has not had as much time to spend on it as she would like. The Female Diary is a platform for sharing the thoughts of 'women from different parts of the world about discriminations/ problems they have been through merely because of the fact that they are women.' Rubina believes that

it could be a huge project and of a big help to many if I had a team and enough time in my hands. If anyone's interested to be a part of it, take it to a new level together, you are more than welcome. Kindly contact me at rubinauprety011@gmail.com for details and suggestions.

At ZIGSU Law School, we enjoy receiving news of our graduates, and watch with great pride as they advance in life making the most of their gifts and abilities. We wish Rubina all the best!