

Call for Research Assistants

The Central Department of Economics (CEDECON), Tribhuvan University, invites applications for **three (3) Research Assistant (RA)** positions under the UGC-funded collaborative research project entitled: **“Transition towards E-Cooking: Examining the Role of Subsidy and Information in Promoting the Adoption of Clean Cooking Technology.”** The study examines household adoption of clean cooking technologies, with a particular focus on the role of subsidies, information, and behavioral factors in accelerating the transition towards e-cooking in Nepal.

Eligibility: Applications are invited from **Master’s thesis students of Batch 2081/82**. Priority will be given to students who:

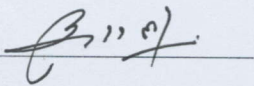
- Have submitted a Master’s thesis proposal related to the broad area of the research mentioned above (preferably related to energy, environmental or health economics);
- Have a strong interest in behavioral economics, energy economics, clean energy transition, technology adoption, or related areas; and
- Are interested in contributing to field-based and empirical economic research.

Application Requirements: Interested students should submit the following documents:

1. **Application Letter** clearly stating the reason for applying for the Research Assistant position;
2. **One-page essay** explaining:
 - How the UGC-funded study relates to the applicant’s proposed Master’s thesis area; and
 - How the applicant expects to contribute to the UGC-funded research project;
3. **A copy of the submitted Master’s thesis proposal;** and
4. **Academic transcripts/grade sheets from the last three semesters.**

Benefits as RAs: The selected RAs will receive close mentoring throughout the development of their thesis, including guidance on research design, data analysis, academic writing, and publication. They will also be trained on various aspects of the e-cooking landscape in Nepal, including the technical, economic, and policy dimensions of clean cooking transitions, with a particular emphasis on discrete choice modeling and its application to household energy demand analysis. In addition, a modest financial stipend will be provided to support thesis-related & project research activities.

Submission Deadline: August 14, 2026. Please email the complete application and required documents to: nirmal.raut@cdec.tu.edu.np with a CC to naveen.adhikari@cdec.tu.edu.np. Applications received after the deadline will not be considered.



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