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Academic Positions

2018 - Assistant Professor, Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS)
2017-18 Visiting Assistant Professor, Johns Hopkins University, School of Advanced International Studies
2014-18 Assistant Professor of Economics, State University of New York at Binghamton (on leave 2017-18)

Affiliations

2014 - Fellow, Center for Development Economics and Policy, Columbia University
2018 - Research Affiliate, Institute for Study of Labor (IZA)
2018 - Fellow, Global Labor Organization (GLO)

Education

2014	Ph.D.	Economics	Columbia University
2008	B.A, M.A	Economics, <i>First Class Honors</i>	Cambridge University
2006	B.A (Hons.)	Economics, <i>First Class Honors</i>	St. Stephen's College, Delhi University

Fields of Specialization

Primary: Development Economics (with a focus on firms and labor markets in developing countries)
Secondary: Finance and Development, Evaluation of Public Programs

Publications

“Labor Regulations and Contract Labor Use: Evidence from Indian firms.” *Journal of Development Economics*, vol. 114, pp. 224–232, May 2015

“Location-Based Tax Incentives: Evidence from India.” *Journal of Public Economics*, vol. 156, pp. 101-120, December 2017

“An Unintended Consequence of Place-Based Policies: A Fall in Informality.” (with Ama Baafra Abeberese) *Economics Letters*, vol. 176, pp. 23-27, March 2019

“Workfare Programs and Children's Meals Intake: Evidence from India.” (with Karan Singh Bagavathinathan) *Food Policy*, vol. 95, August 2020

“Land Rezoning and Structural Transformation in Rural India: Evidence from the Industrial Areas Program” (with David Blakeslee, Ram Fishman and Samreen Malik) *World Bank Economic Review*, forthcoming

Working Papers

“Creditor Rights, Threat of Liquidation, and Labor-Capital Choice of Firms” (with Shashwat Alok and Vasudha Nukala) (R&R, *Journal of Law and Economics*)

“Rural Infrastructure Development and Economic Activity” (with Duong Le)
“In the Heat of the Moment: Economic and Non-Economic Drivers of the Weather-Crime Relationship” (with David Blakeslee, Ram Fishman, Deepak Malghan, and Samreen Malik) (R&R, *JEBO*)
“How Does Democracy Cause Growth? Evidence from Firms During Indonesia's Democratic Transition.” (with Ama Baafrā Abeberese, Prabhat Barnwal, and Priya Mukherjee) (R&R, *REStat*)

Works in Progress

“Banning Contract Work: Implications for Input Choice and Firm Performance” (joint with Gaurav Chiplunkar and Vidhya Soundarajan)
“How Do Managers' Beliefs about New Technologies Evolve? Informational Interventions and the Adoption of Energy-Efficiency Stitching Motors in Bangladesh” (joint with Yunfan Gu, Gaurav Nayyar, Siddharth Sharma, Eric Verhoogen)

Policy Writing

“Do location-based incentives promote industrialisation” *Ideas for India*, September 23, 2014
“Unleashing India’s Potential Through Effective Regulation” *Fair Observer*, September 30, 2015
“Structural transformation and spillovers from Industrial Areas” *Ideas for India*, December 7, 2017
“Industrial policy in India: A brief review” *Ideas for India*, March 12, 2018
“Creditor Rights, Threat of Liquidation, and Labour-Capital Choice of Firms” *Oxford Business Law Blog*, April 12, 2019
“Rural Infrastructure Development and Economic Activity” *Ideas for India*, March 18, 2020
“The MSME Sector is critical in times of Covid-19” *Hindustan Times*, April 3, 2020
“Unless operational constraints for firms are removed, amending labour laws won’t work” *Hindustan Times*, May 26, 2020

Honors, and Grants

2020	International Growth Centre (IGC) Grant (£ 65,000)
2019	World Bank Entrepreneurship for Development Grant (\$ 450,000)
2017	Dean’s Research Semester Award, Binghamton University
2016	Transdisciplinary Areas of Excellence (TAE) research grant (\$2000), Binghamton University
2016	EY-ISB Initiative on Emerging Market Studies Grant (~\$20000)
2016	NSE-NYU Initiative on the Study of Indian Financial Markets Grant (\$7500)
2015-16	G4G KOMPAK - Principal Investigator for Baseline Study – PKKPM (Indonesian Ministry of National Development Planning) – grant (\$14270)
2011	Program for Economic Research Data Grant, Columbia University
2011, 2014	Development Colloquium Data Grant, Columbia University
2010	Summer Grant, Center for Studies of Development Strategies, Columbia University
2008-14	Faculty Fellow, Department of Economics, Columbia University
2008	E. M. Burnett Prize, Cambridge University
2006-08	Rajiv Gandhi Cambridge Scholarship

Teaching

SUNY Binghamton - Principles of Microeconomics (Econ 160, undergraduate), Economic Development (Econ 656, PhD), Financial Economics (Econ 442, undergraduate)

Johns Hopkins SAIS - Economic Development (Masters), Microeconomics of Development (Masters), Econometrics (Masters)

Invited Seminars and Conference Presentations (including scheduled)

2020: World Congress of Econometric Society (Bocconi/virtual)
2019: George Mason Schar School of Policy and Government, CSAE Oxford, Ce2 workshop (Warsaw), EPED Workshop (MIT Sloan), UNU-WIDER Development Conference (Bangkok), Johns Hopkins SAIS (ERE/ISEP), Florida International University, George Washington University, ISI Delhi Conference
2018: AFA 2018 (Philadelphia), Georgetown Qatar, George Mason Schar School of Policy and Government, EPED Workshop Montreal, NEUDC (Cornell), ISI Delhi Conference on Economic Growth and Development
2017: Asian Development Bank Conference on Economic Development (ACED), Eastern Economic Association Meetings, Ecole Polytechnique, NYU-Entrepreneurship and Private Enterprise Development in Emerging Economies Workshop, Asian Meetings of the Econometric Society (Hong Kong), Conference on the Indian Economy (Columbia University), NEUDC (Tufts), Johns Hopkins SAIS, Virginia Tech, ISI Delhi Conference on Economic Growth and Development, IIM Bangalore, Indian School of Business
2016: Bucknell University, Cornell University, NYU-NSE Conference, ISI Delhi Conference on Economic Growth and Development, IGC Kolkata
2015: Cornell Dyson, DIAL Conference – Paris, Syracuse University
2014: SUNY Binghamton, Indian School of Business, NEUDC – Boston University, Center on Global Economic Governance Conference (Delhi), ISI Delhi Conference on Economic Growth and Development
2013: Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC) – Harvard Kennedy School

Refereeing

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Area Development and Policy, Business and Politics, China Economic Review, Economic Inquiry, Economics Letters, Empirical Economics, Employee Relations, Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Empirical Legal Studies, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Productivity Analysis, Journal of Urban Economics, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Research in Labor Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, World Bank Economic Review

Other work experience

Nov 2017- current	Consultant, World Bank, Washington DC
Feb-June 2014	Consultant, World Bank, Washington DC
Aug-Sep 2012	Consultant, World Bank, New Delhi
Aug 2011-Jan 2012	Consultant, Asian Development Bank, New Delhi
Summer 2008	Intern, Barclays Capital, London
Summer 2007	Intern, Reserve Bank of India, Mumbai

Research Assistance

2011-12 Research Assistant for Joseph E. Stiglitz, Columbia University

Personal

Citizenship: Indian; Date of Birth: January 4, 1986

Languages: English, Hindi, Bangla