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ASSOCIATIONS

Assistant Professor, Public Policy, University of California – San Diego 2017-
Post-doctoral Fellow, Center for Global Development, Washington DC 2016-17

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics, University of Michigan 2016
MSc in Economics for Development, University of Oxford 2009
BA (Hon.) in Economics, St. Stephen's College, Delhi University 2008

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

“Recruitment of Foreigners in the Market for Computer Scientists in the US” (with John Bound, Breno Braga and Joseph Golden) - (*Journal of Labor Economics* – July 2015, vol 33)

“Guns and Butter? Fighting Violence with the Promise of Development” (with Laura Zimmermann) – Presentations at PACDEV 2013, CSAE Conference 2013, Princeton University 2014, Midwest Political Science Association 2014, University of Michigan Development Seminar, NEUDC 2014 - Boston, and the Indian Statistical Institute Annual Conference 2014. (forthcoming – *Journal of Development Economics*)

WORKING PAPERS

“Large-scale Education Reform in General Equilibrium: Regression Discontinuity Evidence from India”

Winner of *Michael Moore Prize for Best Paper in Applied Microeconomics, University of Michigan*

Presented at University of Michigan, NEUDC (Brown), Urban Institute, McGill, Georgia State, UC Davis, UC San Diego, Population Association of America DC, Mathematica Policy Research, College of William and Mary, Center for Global Development, PopPov Conference (IFPRI), Society of Labor Economists (SOLE)

“The IT Sector Boom and Other Unintended Consequences of Chasing the American Dream” (with Nicolas Morales) supported by the *NBER Fellowship on High Skill Immigration - the Alfred P. Sloan Foundation*

“The Effectiveness of Decentralized Education Programs: A Multi-Dimensional Regression Discontinuity Approach” – Presented at the University of Michigan

“Incentivizing Standards or Standardizing Incentives? Affirmative Action in India” Presented at Columbia University: EconCon, NEUDC: Harvard, University of Michigan, Indian Statistical Institute Annual Conference

“The Road Oft Taken: Highways to Spatial Development” – Presented at University of Michigan, and Indian Statistical Institute Annual Conference

“Resource Accumulation, Conflict, and the Development of Africa” (with Achyuta Adhvaryu, James Fenske and Anant Nyshadham) – Presented at University of Michigan, University of Berkeley: Annual World Bank Conference; co-author presentations – College of William and Mary, University of Alaska

“A Passage to America: International Students in US Universities” (with John Bound, Breno Braga, Sarah Turner) Presentations at the University of Michigan, the Urban Institute, NBER Education Spring Meetings, Population Association of America (Washington DC), Society of Labor Economists (SOLE)

“Understanding the Economic Impact of the H-1B Program on the US” (John Bound, Nicolas Morales) – co-author presentations- University of Michigan, University of California San Diego, University of California Davis

OTHER PUBLICATIONS AND ARTICLES

“Fighting Maoist Violence with Promises: Evidence from India’s Employment Guarantee Scheme”(with Laura Zimmermann) (*Economics of Peace and Security Journal* – 2014, vol 9(1))

“Finishing Degrees and Finding Jobs: U.S. Higher Education and the Flow of Foreign IT Workers” (with John Bound, Murat Demirci and Sarah Turner) Chapter in National Bureau of Economic Research’s *Innovation, Policy and The Economy* (2014)

“Fewer Jobs or Smaller Paychecks? Aggregate Crisis Impacts in Selected Middle Income Countries” (with David Newhouse and Pierella Paci) *IZA Paper Series version* (2011); chapter in *Working Through the Crisis: Jobs and Policies in Developing Countries* (2013)

“Quotas and schooling decisions” ([Ideas for India](#))

“Maoist Violence & Employment” (with Laura Zimmermann - [Ideas for India](#))

“Transit Networks and Regional Development in India” ([Ideas for India](#) ; [LSE blog](#))

“Caloric Intake and Seasonality in Bangladesh” (background paper for World Bank Report)

“What are Schools Worth? That Depends on the General Equilibrium Effects” ([World Bank Development Blog](#))

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

NBER Fellowship for Economics of High-Skill Immigration, Alfred P Sloan Foundation	2015-16
Rackham Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, University of Michigan	2015-16
Michael Moore Dissertation Prize for Best Paper in Applied Microeconomics	2015
MITRE Research Fellowship Award, University of Michigan	2012-14
The James A Miller Scholarship, University of Michigan	2010-15
Nominated for Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, University of Michigan	2012, 2013
Distinction in Microeconomics, and Development Economics, University of Michigan	2011, 2012
The George Webb Medley Prize for Best Overall Performance, Oxford University	2009
The Felix Scholarship for study at Oxford University	2008-09

RESEARCH PROJECTS

Census Digitization Project: Digitizing the Censuses of British India and modern-day India, Pakistan and Bangladesh from 1871 to 2011 to create the longest data-panel outside the Western hemisphere

Pathways to Adjustment Project: (under John Bound and Sarah Turner): The impact of high-skilled immigration on the US labor market and higher-educational institutions

TEACHING: University of Michigan 2011-13, nominated for the *Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award* for both years. [A detailed statement and evaluations can be found on my website.](#)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee for *Journal of Labor Economics*, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, *Journal of International Economics*, *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*, *Canadian Journal of Economics*

Consultant, Poverty and Inequality Unit – World Bank, Washington DC 2009-10