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CITIZENSHIP	India	
RESEARCH INTERESTS	Misinformation, Social Media, Media Effects, Polarization, Experimental Methods, India	
TECHNICAL SKILLS	R, Python, HTML (CSS), L ^A T _E X, Microsoft Office	
METHODS TRAINING	ICPSR Summer Program & classes in Machine Learning, Big Data, Advanced Econometrics, Experimental Methods, Causal Inference, Survey Methodology, GIS mapping	
EDUCATION	University of Pennsylvania , Philadelphia, PA, USA. Ph.D., Political Science 2021 (expected)	
	University of Chicago , Chicago, IL, USA. Master of Arts, Political Science June 2015	
	St. Xavier's College , Mumbai, India. Bachelor of Arts, Psychology June 2014	
ARTICLES	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Educative Interventions to Combat Misinformation: Evidence From A Field Experiment in India – <i>conditionally accepted</i>, American Political Science Review2. “I Don’t Think That’s True, Bro!” An Experiment on Fact-checking WhatsApp Rumors in India, with Simon Chauchard (Leiden) and DJ Flynn (IE Madrid) – <i>under review</i>3. Partisan Disagreement: The Role of Media, Personal Networks and Gender in Forming Political Preferences, with Neelanjan Sircar, Devesh Kapur, Deepaboli Chatterjee – <i>under review</i>4. Conspiracy Theories and Miracle Cures: Fighting COVID-19 Misinformation in India, with Simon Chauchard (Leiden)– <i>under review</i>5. Media, Trust, and Partisanship in India: Evidence from Survey Experiments – <i>in progress</i>6. Who Believes Misinformation? A Profile of Vulnerability to False News in India, with Simon Chauchard (Leiden) – <i>in progress</i>7. The Puzzle of Indian-American Voting Behavior, with Milan Vaishnav (Cargenie) and Devesh Kapur (Johns Hopkins) – <i>in progress</i>	

BOOK CHAPTERS	1. Badrinathan, Sumitra and Devesh Kapur. “Politics, Caste, Class: How Urbanization and Media Affect Political Change in India.” In A Study of Delhi, edited by Neelanjan Sircar and Sanjoy Chakravorty. Forthcoming, Cambridge University Press
AWARDS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Recipient of the Russell Ackoff Doctoral Research Fellowship (\$3,000), 2020 2. Recipient of the Sobti Dissertation and Research Fellowship (\$12,500), 2020 3. Recipient of the Dissertation Research Fellowship (\$3500), 2020 4. Recipient of the Dean’s Award for Distinguished Teaching (for Statistics), 2019 5. Recipient of the Penn Prize for Excellence in Teaching by Graduate Students, 2019 6. Recipient of Judith Rodin Research Fellowship (\$5000), 2018, 2017 7. Recipient of CASI Summer Research Fellowship (\$3500), University of Pennsylvania, 2018
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<p>Teaching Assistant, University of Pennsylvania:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Political Change in the Third World (PSCI116 with Dr. Rudy Sil) Fall 2019 • Statistics for Political Science (PSCI338 with Dr. Marc Meredith) Fall 2018 • International Human Rights (PSCI258 with Dr. Eileen Doherty-Sil) Spring 2018 • Introduction to American Politics (PSCI130 with Dr. Marc Meredith) Fall 2017
INVITED TALKS AND GUEST LECTURES	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2021: Misinformation in Developing Countries (Dominik Stecula, Colorado State), Causal Inference Seminar (Alexander Theodoridis, UMass), ICT for Development (Guy Grossman, Penn) 2. 2020: UCLA Politics of Order and Development Lab, Field Experiments (Kristin Michelitch, Vanderbilt), Fieldwork in Comparative Politics (Yue Hou, Penn)
PRESENTATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 2021: APSA (scheduled) 2. 2020: SPSA, Harvard Experimental Conference, ICA, APSA 3. 2019: SPSA, APSA, NYU Winter Experimental Social Sciences Conference, MIT Gov/Lab Political Behavior of Development Conference 4. 2018: MPSA, AAS-in-Asia, NYU Experimental Conference
OTHER INFORMATION	<p>Languages:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fluent in reading, writing, speaking: English, Hindi, Marathi, French • Basic reading and speaking: Spanish, Tamil <p>References:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guy Grossman, Marc Meredith, Matthew Levendusky, Devesh Kapur