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CONTACT Information

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EDUCATION

University of California - Irvine, USA

PhD, Economics, Fall 2017 - Summer 2023 (expected) M.A., Economics, 2019

Madras School of Economics, CUTN, India

M.Sc., Economics, 2016

Hansraj College, University of Delhi, India

Bachelor of Commerce (Honours), 2013

RESEARCH INTERESTS Macroeconomic Policy, Monetary Economics, Behavioral Macroeconomics, Climate Change and Macroeconomy.

Job Market Paper

Fiscal Policy and Sentiments in a Monetary Union

Abstract: Members of a monetary union have limited control over monetary policy. This can elevate the role of fiscal policy as the primary macroeconomic tool against country-specific shocks. Using data for the European Economic and Monetary union, I first provide evidence that fiscal policy is highly effective at stimulating output in a monetary union through its positive impact on consumer sentiments. I show how fiscal policy can increase output via its impact on consumer sentiments in a New Keynesian model of currency union where agents have near rational expectations.

WORKING PAPERS

• Stock Returns of Federal Reserve Officials. (with Cody Couture)

2022

• Do Weather Extremes Make Inflation Harder to Forecast? (with Gunes Kamber and Roland Meeks)

2022

• Unconventional Monetary Policy and Consumption.

2020

RESEARCH VISITS

• International Monetary Fund - Fund Intern

June 2021 - September 2021

• Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis - Dissertation Intern

August 2021

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

• Associate Dean Fellowship, UCI

Fall 2020

• Summer Research Fellowship, UCI

2019, 2020, 2021

• Graduate Dean's Recruitment Fellowship, UCI

2017

• Junior Research Fellowship, University Grants Commission, India

2016

• Scholarship under Central Sector Scholarship Scheme, Ministry of Human Resource and Development, India 2010

• Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis

2021

• Canadian Economic Association

2021

• Delhi School of Economics Winter School

2020

• Poster Presentations: IWH-CIREQ-GW Environmental Workshop (2021) , UC Irvine Graduate Poster Session (2019,2020,2021)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of California, Irvine

Teaching Assistant

Fall 2017 - present

• Econ 161B: International Money & Finance

Winter 2018, 2020, 2021, 2022

• Econ 161A: Money and Banking

Fall 2019

• Econ 140: Managerial Economics

Spring 2018

• Econ 100C: Intermediate Economics III

Spring 2019, 2020, 2022

• Econ 100A: Intermediate Economics I

Fall 2018

• Econ 15B: Probability and Statistics II

Winter 2019

• Econ 20A &B: Basic Economics

Fall 2017, 2021, Summer 2019

Teaching Responsibilities:

• Taught over 500 students in past 16 quarters.

- Primary teaching responsibility is delivering 50 minutes discussion sections covering the week's course material in a concise manner.
- Other responsibilities include preparing course material, giving inputs on assignments, and grading exams.
- Received an average teaching effectiveness rating of 6 out of 7 across 7 courses.

Refereeing Experience

Economic Inquiry, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control

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Past

Research Associate

July 2016 - June 2017

EMPLOYMENT

Centre for Advanced Financial Research and Learning, Reserve Bank of India

Research Assistant

May-July 2013

Dr. Arijit Chatterjee, ESSEC Business School

Positions of Responsibility

Editor, Department of Commerce, Hansraj College, University of Delhi

2012-13

References

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