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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, Rice University	2016-Present
M.S. in Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison	2014-2016
B.E. in Electronics and Communication (Distinction), PES University	2009-2013

REFERENCES

Prof. Rossella Calvi (**Co-Chair**)
Department of Economics
Rice University
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RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS

Primary: Development Economics, Family Economics

Secondary: Labor Economics, Applied Microeconomics

SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Master's Program's Best Research Paper Award, University of Wisconsin-Madison

Dagobert L. Brito Award for Best Performance by a Recitation Instructor in Economics, Rice University

Distinction GPA Award, PES University

EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Prof. Steven Durlauf, University of Wisconsin-Madison	March 2015 - March 2016
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Project Assistant, Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore, India	August 2013 - May 2014
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, Rice University

Applied Econometrics (ECON 209)

Development Economics (ECON 450)

Tutor, Division of Intercollegiate Athletics, UW Madison

Labor Economics (ECON 450)

Microeconomics (ECON 100)

RESEARCH PAPERS

‘Til Dowry Do Us Part: Bargaining and Violence in Indian Families (with Rossella Calvi)

Dowries, Resource Allocation, and Poverty (with Rossella Calvi)

WORK IN PROGRESS

Effects of Birth Order on Marriage, Human Capital and Health: Evidence from India

A Conceptual Framework for Empirical Studies on Marriage Markets (with Rossella Calvi and Yinghua He)

POLICY WRITING

“‘Til Dowry Do Us Part: Bargaining and Violence in the Indian Marriage Market” with Rossella Calvi

VoxDev (March 2021)

“Downside of Dowry Crackdown — Women’s Decision-making Power Falls, Domestic Violence Goes Up”
with Rossella Calvi

The Print (March 2021)

“Dowries and women’s well-being post marriage” with Rossella Calvi

Ideas for India (April 2021)

CONFERENCES

North East Development Consortium Conference at Dartmouth College 2020

Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting 2020

Annual Meeting - Population Association of America (Poster Presentation) 2021

Association for Mentoring and Inclusion in Economics 2021

Society of Economics of the Household 2021

European Society for Population Economics 2021

Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society 2021

Australian Meeting of the Econometric Society 2021

European Economic Association-Econometric Society Meeting 2021

Society for the Study of Economic Inequality 2021

Globalization and Development Conference 2021

REFeree SERVICE

PLOS ONE, Journal of International Development

OTHER

Languages: Marathi(Native), English(Fluent), Hindi(Fluent)

Programming Skills: Stata, R, Python, L^AT_EX

PREVIOUS PUBLICATIONS

A. Appaiah, A. Perincherry, A.Keskar and V. Krishna, "Spectrum sensing in Cognitive Radio based on compressive measurements," 2013 International Conference on Emerging Trends in Communication, Control, Signal Processing and Computing Applications (C2SPCA), Bangalore, 2013, pp. 1-6, doi: 10.1109/C2SPCA.2013.6749450.