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## EDUCATION

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| <b>Ph.D. Economics</b> , <i>University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign</i> | <i>May 2025 (expected)</i> |
| <b>M.S. Economics</b> , <i>Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur</i>       | <i>2017</i>                |
| <b>B.S. Economics</b> , <i>Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur</i>       | <i>2016</i>                |

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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**Primary:** Public Economics, Urban Economics

**Secondary:** Labor Economics, Political Economy

## RESEARCH

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### Working Papers

“Judicial Transparency and Criminal Justice”,  
(with [Felipe Diaz](#) and [Anna Kyriazis](#))

“Housing Demand, Cost-of-Living Inequality, and the Affordability Crisis”,  
(with [David Albowy](#), [Gabriel Ehrlich](#), and [Yingyi Liu](#))

“Labor Market Dynamics of New Mothers”,  
(with [Mark Borgschulte](#) and [Rebecca Thornton](#))

“Jurisdiction size, Political participation, and Competition”

“Impact of weather extremes on Dairy Farming: Long-term evidence from California”,  
(with [Deep Mukherjee](#)),  
*Revise & Resubmit, Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics*

### Works in Progress

Municipal Annexations: Determinants and Consequences

Fiscal Spillovers and Public Official Incentives, *with Anna Kyriazis, Felipe Diaz, Cameron Milani*

The Heat of the Moment: Temperature’s Role in Shaping Classroom Dynamics, *with Wilfried Adohinzen, Aditi Arvind, and Mahouenan Yedomiffi*

### Publications

“Assessing the linkage between dairy productivity growth and climatic variability: The case of New York State” with [Deep Mukherjee](#) (2018). *Open Agriculture*, 2018, 3(1), pp. 658-669.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Instructor

- Local Public Finance
- Economics of Labor Markets

*University of Illinois*

*Fall 2021, Spring 2022*

*Fall 2020*

### Teaching Assistant

- Economic Statistics II
- Principles of Macroeconomics

*University of Illinois*

*Spring 2019, 2020, 2021, Fall 2019*

*Fall 2018*

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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|---|---|
| Special Sworn Status Researcher, United States Census Bureau            | <i>March 2022–present</i>                         |
| Research Assistant to Prof. David Albouy                                | <i>August 2019–July 2020, Summer 2022–present</i> |
| Research Assistant to Prof. Alex Bartik                                 | <i>August 2022–August 2024</i>                    |
| Research Assistant to Prof. Mark Borgschulte and Prof. Rebecca Thornton | <i>Summer 2022, 2023</i>                          |
| Research Assistant to Prof. Sanjay Singh                                | <i>May–July 2014</i>                              |

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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| Robert Willis Harbeson Memorial Dissertation Fellowship – University of Illinois | <i>2022</i>                   |
| Carla Tighe Murray Dissertation Support Scholarship – University of Illinois     | <i>2022</i>                   |
| List of Teachers Ranked Excellent by their Students – University of Illinois     | <i>2019, 2020, 2021, 2022</i> |
| Graduate Fellowship, Department of Economics – University of Illinois            | <i>2017-18</i>                |
| Best Undergraduate Project Award – IIT Kanpur                                    | <i>2017</i>                   |
| Academic Excellence Award – IIT Kanpur   | <i>2016-17</i>                |
| Research Fellowship Award – MHRD, Government of India                            | <i>2016-17</i>                |
| Inspire Scholarship – Government of India  | <i>2013</i>                   |

## CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS

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| Southern Economic Association Conference (scheduled)        | <i>2024</i>      |
| University of Illinois Job Market Workshop ( <i>x3</i> )    | <i>2022-2024</i> |
| University of Illinois Applied Micro Seminars ( <i>x5</i> ) | <i>2021-2024</i> |
| Southern Economic Association Conference (attendee)         | <i>2022</i>      |

## CORPORATE EXPERIENCE

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| <b>Corporate Financial Analyst Intern, Deutsche Bank Financial Sponsors Group</b>  | <i>Mumbai, India</i>      |
|  | <i>May 2015–July 2015</i> |
| ○ Worked closely with several clients and Private Equity firms on transactions ranging across acquisitions, debt restructuring, and other financial strategies |                           |

## SKILLS

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| <b>Languages:</b> English (fluent), Hindi (native), Maithili (native)                        |
| <b>Programming:</b> Stata, R, Python   |
| <b>Teaching:</b> Proficient in Moodle and Canvas LMS, offline and online teaching modalities |

## REFERENCES

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|---|--|
| Prof. David Albouy (Chair)<br>Department of Economics<br>University of Illinois<br>✉ <a href="mailto:albouy@illinois.edu">albouy@illinois.edu</a> | Prof. Alex Bartik<br>Department of Economics<br>University of Illinois<br>✉ <a href="mailto:abartik@illinois.edu">abartik@illinois.edu</a>                   |
| Prof. Mark Borgschulte<br>Department of Economics<br>University of Illinois<br>✉ <a href="mailto:markborg@illinois.edu">markborg@illinois.edu</a> | Prof. Rebecca Thornton<br>Hankamer School of Business<br>Baylor University<br>✉ <a href="mailto:rebecca_thornton@baylor.edu">rebecca_thornton@baylor.edu</a> |