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EDUCATION	PhD Political Science, University of California, Berkeley - MA Political Science	2021 - 2023
	MSc Economics, Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne - <i>Mention très bien</i>	2021
	BA Political Science, Dartmouth College - <i>Summa cum laude, Phi beta kappa</i>	2018
DISSERTATION PROJECT	The gender politics of water: The impact of state and community control of natural resources on patriarchal gender relations.	
PUBLICATIONS	Heinze, Alyssa R., Brulé, Rachel and Simon Chauchard. 2025. "Who <i>Actually</i> Governs? Gender Inequality and Political Representation in Rural India." <i>The Journal of Politics</i> 87(2).	
WORKING PAPERS	<p>"Empowering the local executive: When electoral reform disrupts elite coalitions." <i>R&R, American Political Science Review</i>. – Winner of the 2024 Paula D. McClain Award for the MPSA Best Paper. – Winner of the 2024 MPSA Evan Ringquist Field Award for best paper on the topic of political institutions. – Winner of the Philo Sherman Bennett Prize in Political Science – Center for the Study of Law and Society Paper Prize, Honorable mention</p> <p>"Inclusive reforms as levers for social exclusion: The paradoxical consequences of quotas for women in rural India." (with Rachel Brulé and Simon Chauchard). <i>Conditionally accepted, World Development</i>.</p> <p>"Why discussion rules matter for representation: Experimental evidence from rural India." (with Rachel Brulé and Simon Chauchard).</p> <p>"Gender, education, and the black box of descriptive representation in rural India" (with Shirin Abrishami Kashani and Soledad Artiz Prillaman).</p>	
IN PROGRESS	<p>"Women leaders and the environment in the world's largest democracy." (with Priyadarshi Amar and Nilesh Shinde).</p> <p>"Gendered victimhood: Framing Global South vulnerability in climate policy discourse." (with Leonardo Arriola and Allison Grossman).</p> <p>"Proxy politics: Representation and political inequality in rural India" (book manuscript with Rachel Brulé and Simon Chauchard).</p>	
GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, PRIZES	2024 Paula D. McClain Award for the MPSA Best Paper MPSA	2025
	2024 Evan Ringquist Field Award for best paper on the topic of political institutions. MPSA	2025
	CEGA Development Economics Challenge Grant Center for Effective Global Action, UC Berkeley, (\$20,000)	2024
	APSA Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant American Political Science Association, (\$14,368)	2024
	Fulbright-Hays Doctoral Dissertation Research Abroad Fellowship U.S. Department of Education, (\$36,444)	2024
	Travel Grant	2024

Weiss Fund for Research in Development Economics, (\$4698)	
Pilot Research Project Grant Global Democracy Commons, UC Berkeley, (\$2000)	2024
CEGA Development Economics Challenge Grant Center for Effective Global Action, UC Berkeley, (\$20,000)	2024
Bhattacharya Graduate Fellowship The Institute for South Asia Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$1000)	2024
ABD Fellowship in International Studies Berkeley Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$15,000)	2024
Odegard Award for the third-year doctoral student with exceptional performance Department of Political Science, UC Berkeley, (\$3000)	2024
Philo Sherman Bennett Prize in Political Science Department of Political Science, UC Berkeley, (\$1500)	2024
CEGA Development Economics Challenge Grant Center for Effective Global Action, UC Berkeley, (\$5000)	2023
Pre-Dissertation Grant in International Studies Berkeley Institute of International Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$5000)	2023
Bhattacharya Graduate Fellowship The Institute for South Asia Studies, UC Berkeley, (\$1000)	2022
CEGA Development Economics Challenge Grant Center for Effective Global Action, UC Berkeley, (\$4,965)	2022
BU Global Programs & BU Foundation-India seed funding (with Paro Sen, Simon Chauchard, Bhumi Purohit & Rachel Brulé), (\$30,000)	2021
James B. Reynolds Scholarship for Masters Study Dartmouth College, (\$25,000)	2020
Richard D. Lombard Public Service Fellowship The Dickey Center for International Understanding, Dartmouth College, (\$20,000)	2020
Fulbright-Nehru Research Fellowship The Fulbright Association, (\$20,000)	2018-2020
Critical Language Enhancement Award The Fulbright Association, (\$6,600)	2018-2020
Neil T. McGorrian Fellowship Dartmouth College, (\$5,500)	2018
Special Thesis Grant from the Office of President Hanlon Dartmouth College, (\$1,000)	2018
Nelson A. Rockefeller Center Honors Thesis Grant The Rockefeller Center for Public Policy, Dartmouth College, (\$1,000)	2018
Undergraduate Advising and Research Honors Thesis Grant Dartmouth College, (\$1,000)	2018

TALKS AND PRESENTA- TIONS

- MPSA Spring 2025. Chicago, IL.
- APSA Fall 2024. Philadelphia, PA.
- International Electoral Affairs Symposium July 2024. Keynote speaker. Jodhpur, India.
- ECPG Summer 2024. Ghent, Belgium.

- MPSA Spring 2024. Chicago, IL.
- ASA Fall 2023. San Francisco, CA.
- APSA Fall 2023. Los Angeles, CA.
- MPSA Spring 2022. Chicago, IL.
- Pune Science on Tap Speaker Series, Mumbai, Volume 2. Mumbai, India.
- South and Central Asia Fulbright Conference. Kochi, India.
- Pune Science on Tap Speaker Series, Volume 11. Pune, India.
- Maharashtra State Election Commission. Mumbai, India.

TEACHING

Graduate student instructor, UC Berkeley:

- Spring 2024: *PS236B (PhD level), Quantitative Methodology in the Social Sciences Seminar: From Samples to Populations* for Erin Hartman
- Fall 2023: *PS231C (PhD level), Quantitative Analysis in Political Research: Model-based Inference and Machine Learning* for Kirk Bansak
- Spring 2023: *PS231B (PhD level), Quantitative Analysis in Political Research: Design and Causal Inference* for Thad Dunning
- Fall 2022: *PS3 (Undergraduate), Introduction to Empirical Analysis and Quantitative Methods* for Jason Wittenberg

Co-instructor, EGAP:

- Summer 2024: Session on estimation in R. Remote.
- Summer 2024: Learning Days. Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.
- Summer 2024: Training of the Trainers for Learning Days. Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.
- Summer 2023: Learning Days. Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.
- Spring 2023: Training of the Trainers for Learning Days. Atlanta, Georgia.
- Fall 2022: Refresher on statistical power. Remote.
- Summer 2022: Learning Days. Abidjan, Côte d'Ivoire.

OTHER

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

The World Bank, Remote. October 2023 –
Impact Data and Evidence Aggregation Library project alongside the Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) and Evidence in Governance and Politics (EGAP)

IDinsight, Rabat, Morocco. May – August 2023
Research, Evaluation, and Data (RED) team.

U.S. Department of State, Washington, D.C. August 2020 – June 2021
Secretary's Office of Global Women's Issues (Women's Economic Empowerment Unit)

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- *EGAP Learning Days*, co-coordinator of participant selection. Spring 2024
- *Gender and Political Participation (GPP) Working Group*, co-coordinator. Spring/summer 2024
- *Berkeley Methods Workshop*, student co-coordinator. 2023–24
- *Center for the Politics of Development Working Group*, student co-coordinator. 2022–23
- *EGAP Priority Theme Grant Editing Support* Spring 2022
- *Graduate Mentor for EGAP Global Fellowship* Spring 2022

OTHER WRITING

Hypothesis testing 2024
EGAP Methods Guide.

Heterogeneous treatment effects 2023
EGAP Methods Guide.

How to analyze experimental data 2023
EGAP Methods Guide.

The Theory and Practice of Field Experiments: An Introduction from the EGAP Learning Days. Translated from English to French. 2022

She Rules! The Political Representation of Women in India. 2021
Co-editor of Seminar Issue 752 with Simon Chauchard, Mekhala Krishnamurthy and Rachel Brulé.

Are husbands the problem? On the issue of sarpanch pati. 2021
Seminar Issue 752 with Simon Chauchard and Rachel Brulé.

“Sarpanch pati : Bharatiya raajkaaranaat mahilaancha sthaan nakki kaay?” *Maharashtra Times*, April 2019. (in Marathi)

SKILLS

- Language: English, French; Marathi (advanced); Hindi (beginner)
- Statistical programming: R, Stata
- Statistical knowledge: Design-based causal inference, model-based inference, machine learning, Bayesian inference
- Surveys: Qualtrics, SurveyCTO
- Version control: Git
- Field research experience: India, Morocco, Côte d’Ivoire, Nepal