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EDUCATION	Ph.D. in Economics, McGill University , Montreal, Canada Dissertation Title: <i>Learning and Technology Adoption in Developing Countries</i> Committee: Sonia Laszlo (Supervisor), Francesco Amodio (Co-Supervisor), Matthieu Chemin.	2023
	M.Sc. in Economics, University of Calcutta , Kolkata, India	2016
	B.Sc. in Economics (Honours), R.K.M.R College Narendrapur , Kolkata, India	2014
RESEARCH FIELDS	Development Economics, Information Economics, Applied Microeconomics.	
WORKING PAPERS	<p>"Inefficiency in Agricultural Production: Do Information Frictions Matter?" March 2025. (with Digvijay Singh Negi and Rahul Rao)</p> <p>"Lessons from the Past: How Experience Reduces the Impact of Weather Shocks on Ugandan Small-holders," November 2024. (with Giuseppe Maggio and Fabio G. Santeramo)</p> <p>"The Role of Active Discussion in Learning about Uncertain Technologies," October 2024. (with Javier Escobal, Sonia Laszlo, and Jim Warnick)</p> <p>"Network-Based Targeting with Heterogeneous Agents for Improving Technology Adoption," March 2024. [Revision Requested at the Journal of Development Economics]</p> <p>"The Role of Experience in Learning for Index Insurance Products: Evidence from Rural Kenya," March 2023.</p>	
WORK-IN-PROGRESS	"Testing Alternative Models of Informal Risk Sharing with Data from Tsimane' Villages." (with Francesco Amodio and Pau Milán)	
BOOK CHAPTERS	"Food Insecurity, Price Volatility and Trade: A Panel Data Analysis in Developing Countries," <i>Chapter-10 in Indian Agriculture under Multilateral and Regional Trade Agreements - Competitiveness and Food Security</i> , Sharma and Bathla (eds.), CWS in association with Bookwell, Delhi, 2017, 177-194. (with Panchanan Das and Swayambhu Mukherjee)	
OTHER PAPERS	"Industrial Performance in West Bengal: Analysis of Technical Efficiency with ASI Data," August 2016. (with Panchanan Das and Swayambhu Mukherjee)	

MEDIA/POSTS	<p>“Information is power: ICT and agricultural productivity,” <i>Ideas for India</i>, April 2025. (with Digvijay Singh Negi and Rahul Rao)</p> <p>“Using Social Ties to Improve Technology Adoption: Does Heterogeneity Matter?” August 2023.</p>
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<p>Ahmedabad University (Instructor)</p> <p>ECO220 - Econometrics, Monsoon 2023</p> <p>ECO321/ECO620 - Empirical Research Methods in Economics, Winter 2024</p> <p>ECO100 - Microeconomics, Monsoon 2023-24</p> <p>McGill University (Teaching Assistant)</p> <p>ECON 313 - Economic Development 1, Winter 2021-23 & Fall 2021</p> <p>ECON 314 - Economic Development 2, Winter 2019-20 & Winter 2022</p> <p>ECON 306 - Labor Markets and Wages, Fall 2022</p> <p>ECON 416 - Topics in Economic Development 2, Winter 2021</p> <p>ECON 473 - Income Distribution, Winter 2021 & Fall 2021</p> <p>ECON 305 - Industrial Organization, Fall 2019</p> <p>ECON 230D1 - Microeconomic Theory, Fall 2018</p> <p>ECON 227D2 - Economic Statistics, Winter 2018</p> <p>ECON 310 - Introduction to Behavioural Economics, Fall 2017 & Fall 2020</p>
FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS	<p>2024: Young Scholars’ Best Paper Award by the CITD, JNU in the International Conference on "Recent Developments in Economic Research: Theory and Evidence."</p> <p>2023: Ahmedabad University Conference Travel Support.</p> <p>2022: Graduate Research Enhancement and Travel (GREAT) Award, Faculty of Arts, McGill University; Conference Student Travel Grant, Canadian Economics Association (CEA).</p> <p>2019: McCall MacBain Fellowship, McGill University.</p> <p>2018-2022: Doctoral Fellowship, McGill University.</p> <p>2017-2021: Graduate Excellence Award, McGill University.</p> <p>2014: Prof. D. Datta Memorial Prize for First Class (First Position) in Economic Honours, R.K.M.R College Narendrapur.</p>
PRESENTATIONS	<p>2025: 2nd Meeting of Young Minds at IIT Bombay, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India; Food and Agriculture Research Discussion Forum (FARDF) Meeting, Virtual;</p> <p>2024: 19th ACEGD at ISI-Delhi, New Delhi, Delhi, India; Winter School 2024 at DSE, New Delhi, Delhi, India; 8th Annual CECFEE Research and Policy Workshop, Khajuraho, MP, India; IIMB Seminar Series at IIM Bangalore, Bangalore, Karnataka, India; Economics Department Seminar at Ashoka University, Sonapat, Haryana, India; CIREQ Lunch Seminar at McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada; Empirical Reading Group Presentation at ISI-Delhi, New Delhi, Delhi, India; International Conference at CITD, JNU, New Delhi, Delhi, India.</p> <p>2023: 18th ACEGD at ISI-Delhi, New Delhi, Delhi, India; BREW-ESA 2023 at IIT Bombay, Mumbai, Maharashtra, India; NEUDC Conference at Harvard University, Cambridge, MA, USA; AMSOM Research Seminar Series at Ahmedabad University, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, India; Far Siders Development Seminar (FSDS), Virtual; Annual Meeting of the CEA, Virtual Session; 18th CIREQ PhD Students’ Conference at Concordia University, Montreal, QC, Canada.</p>

2022: McGill CPD-SSPD Seminar at McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada;
17th CIREQ PhD Students' Conference at Concordia University, Montreal, QC, Canada;
Annual Meeting of the CEA at Carleton University, Ottawa, ON, Canada;
CIREQ Lunch Seminars at McGill University, Montreal, QC, Canada.
2015: CWS-IIFT Conference at IIFT, New Delhi, Delhi, India.

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICES

Referee Services
Journal of the European Economic Association, Economics of Education Review, Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics, Arthaniti- Journal of Economic Theory and Practice, Journal of Advances in Management Research, Journal of Quantitative Economics, Food Security
Other Services
Member, Organizing Committee, 6th Annual Economics Conference, Ahmedabad University;
Chair, Social Media Committee, AMSOM, Ahmedabad University, 2024-Present;
Member, MA (Economics) Curriculum Design Committee, AMSOM, Ahmedabad University, 2023;
Organizer, Applied Micro Breakfast, Dept. of Economics, McGill University, 2020-2021.

LANGUAGES

Bengali (native), Hindi (native), English (fluent).

SKILLS

Stata, R, Python, EViews, Matlab, \LaTeX