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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Gender, Ethnicity and Politics, Bureaucracy and Governance, Political Behavior

EDUCATION

2016-Present

Ph.D. Candidate, Department of Political Science

M.A., Political Science, 2018

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY

2015

M.Sc. in Contemporary India Studies (Distinction)

WOLFSON COLLEGE, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

2011

B.A. in Public Policy, Certificate in Documentary Film Studies

DUKE UNIVERSITY

PUBLICATIONS

Dissertation Project

- › Laments of Getting Things Done : The Case of Gender and Ethnic Bias in India's Bureaucracy. [Dissertation project that examines how gender and ethnic biases amongst bureaucrats affects development outcomes under minoritized politicians' constituency.]

Book Project

- › *Bang for the Buck : Reforms to Maximize Public Funding Outcomes in India*. Manuscript in Progress. Conditionally accepted by Oxford University Press, India (With A. Santosh Mathew and Devesh Sharma).

Working Papers

- › The (Null) Marriage Effect : Voters' Indifference to Marital Status of Female Candidates in India.
- › Are Incentives Universally Effective? (With Mo, Cecilia Hyunjung and Katharine Conn).

Work in Progress

- › Does training expand bureaucratic and political networks of female politicians? (With Rachel Brulè, Simon Chauchard, and Alyssa Heinze)
- › Do peer mentorship groups increase the political agency of first-time female politicians? (With Rachel Brulè, Simon Chauchard, and Alyssa Heinze)
- › The Effect of Men's Migration on Women's Social Norms (With Aala Abdelgadir)

Media

- › "India's public finance architecture is the real culprit in Gorakhpur and Bhagalpur," (2017). Live Mint, Opinion, August 25 (with A. Santosh Mathew).
- › "Time to Diversify Pro-Poor Policies," (2016). Live Mint, Opinion, July 16 (with Ruchika Singh).

HONORS AND AWARDS

- › Carrie Chapman Catt Prize for Research on Women and Politics, 2020
- › Foreign Language and Area Studies Fellowship for Telugu, 2020-2021 (Declined for Spring 2021)
- › John L. Simpson Memorial Research Fellowship In International And Comparative Studies, 2019-2020
- › The Weiss Fund for Research in Development Economics, Travel Grant, 2018 and 2019
- › Bhattacharya Research Grant, Institute of South Asia Studies, UC Berkeley, 2017
- › NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program, Honorable Mention in Political Science, 2017
- › The Malangs Scholar, University of Oxford, 2015

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

May 2020 December 2020	Graduate Student Researcher, UC BERKELEY, > Professor Ted Miguel, Economics
August 2018 August 2019	Graduate Student Researcher, UC BERKELEY, > Professor Cecilia Mo, Political Science
August 2017 May 2021	Graduate Student Instructor, UC BERKELEY, > Understanding Political Developments in India, Professor Pradeep Chhibber [Summer 2020] > Introduction to Empirical Methods > Professor Jason Wittenberg [Fall 2017, Summer 2019] > Professor Andrew Little [Fall 2018] > Introduction to Human Trafficking, Professor Cecilia Mo [Spring 2018] > Introduction to Political Economy > Professor Vinod Aggarwal [Spring 2017] > Professor Ryan Brutger [Spring 2021]
July 2016 August 2015	Policy Consultant, ABDUL LATIF JAMEEL POVERTY ACTION LAB, New Delhi, India
August 2014 November 2012	Program Associate, ONE ACRE FUND, Bungoma, Kenya
July 2012 September 2011	W.J. Clinton Fellow for Service in India and Co-Founder of Green Leaf, AMERICAN INDIA FOUNDATION, Dharamsala, India
July 2011 June 2010	Consultant and Filmmaker, BEEFREED, LIMITED, Freetown, Sierra Leone

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE

Referee	American Political Science Review, Journal of Human Trafficking
Research Associate	Center on the Politics of Development, UC Berkeley
Coordinator and Founder	Graduate Anti-Racist Political Science Collective, a BIPOC Political Science Graduate Student Group
Coordinator	Women in Political Science, UC Berkeley
Coordinator	Bx4 : Diversity Action Committee, UC Berkeley
Mentor	Undergraduate Fellows Program, Center on the Politics of Development, UC Berkeley
Organizer	'Exploring Gendered Subjectivities in a Globalizing India' Conference, University of Oxford

LANGUAGES

English	● ● ● ● ●
Hindi	● ● ● ● ○
Gujarati	● ● ● ● ○

FIELD WORK

- > Freetown, Sierra Leone
- > Bungoma, Kenya
- > Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Odisha, Madhya Pradesh, Telangana, and Himachal Pradesh, India

SKILLS

R; Stata; \LaTeX ; MTurk, Qualtrics, Open Data Kit