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Applied Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Urban Economics

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Fall, 2019	Economics and Business Statistics, Bryan School of Business and Economics, Teaching Assistant for Dr. Marie C. Hull
Spring, 2020	Economics and Business Statistics, Bryan School of Business and Economics, Teaching Assistant for Dr. Marie C. Hull
Summer, 2020	Economics and Business Statistics, Bryan School of Business and Economics, Instructor on Record

Fall, 2020 Principle of Microeconomics, Bryan School of Business and Economics,
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Summer, 2021 Research Assistant to Prof. Martin S. Andersen

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2018-2019 Academic Associate at IIM, Udaipur, Rajasthan, India

2011 Field Investigator, 2011 Census of India, Govt. of India, India

Professional Activities:

Conference presentations: Carolina Region Empirical Economics Day(CREED), Charleston, SC, May 2022
Western Economic Association (WEAI), Portland, OR, June 2022
Rising Scholars Conference at Chicago Booth, Virtual, Nov 2022(*Scheduled*)
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2016-18 University Grant Commission Merit Scholarship, Govt. of India

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Research Papers:

City Limits: The relationship between employment and minimum wage using mobile-device locations-(*Job Market Paper*)

Last decade has seen noteworthy local policy decisions, especially a trend in the decentralization of wage determination. Considering local policy changes are aimed at the local areas where boundaries are porous, there is a need for detailed and accurate geographic and time information. Using the establishment location and mobile-device location data by SafeGraph, this study explores how the labor market responds to local minimum wage ordinances. I use the difference-in-differences approach to estimate the effect of an increase in the minimum wage on the variation in the duration of visits at a location which can be used as a proxy for employment hours. I find a decrease in employment hours when there is a proportionate increase in the local minimum wage and an increase in distance traveled from home with an increase in the minimum wage. The study further demonstrates that the local labor market, especially in the non-tradeable sector, is more responsive to the changes in the local minimum wage than the state binded minimum wage changes.

Research Paper(s) in Progress:

Crossing Borders and Changing Lives: Evaluating the labor market response when local areas change minimum wage

Simply can't wait: Evaluating the effect of voluntary employer minimum wage increase on local labor markets

Estimating the Cost Savings of Tiered Care Coordination for At-Risk Youth: Evidence from North Carolina (*With Jeremy Bray, Zubab Moid & Kat Morand*)

Estimating the Cost Savings of High-Fidelity Wraparound: Evidence from North Carolina (*With Jeremy Bray, Zubab Moid & Kat Morand*)