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## Undergraduate Studies:

B.Sc. (*Hons.*) Mathematics, SGTB Khalsa College, University of Delhi, India, 2014

## Graduate Studies:

M.A. Economics, Central University of Kerala, Kerala, India, 2018

UNC, Greensboro, 2019 to Present

Ph.D. Candidate in Economics

Thesis Title: Essays on Mobile-device location and Labor Markets

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## References:

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## Teaching and Research Fields:

Applied Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Urban Economics

## Teaching Experience:

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, Teaching Assistant for Dr. Jeffrey Sarbaum
Spring, 2021	Principle of Microeconomics, Bryan School of Business and Economics, Teaching Assistant for Dr. Jeffrey Sarbaum

## **Research Experience and Other Employment:**

Summer, 2021	Research Assistant to Prof. Martin S. Andersen
2021 - 2023	Research Assistant to Prof. Jeremy W. Bray
2018-2019	Academic Associate at IIM, Udaipur, Rajasthan, India
2011	Field Investigator, 2011 Census of India, Govt. of India, India

## **Professional Activities:**

<u>Invited presentations:</u>	Carolina Region Empirical Economics Day(CREED), Charleston, SC, May 2022 Western Economic Association (WEAI), Portland, OR, June 2022 3MT, UNC, Greensboro, Nov 2022( <i>Scheduled</i> ) Rising Scholars Conference at Chicago Booth, Virtual, Nov 2022( <i>Scheduled</i> ) Southern Economic Association (SEA), Fort Lauderdale, FL, Nov 2022( <i>Scheduled</i> )
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<u>Discussant:</u>	Western Economic Association (WEAI), June 2022 Southern Economic Association (SEA), Nov 2022( <i>Scheduled</i> )
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<u>Other Services:</u>	International student ambassador (2021), International Programs Center, UNC, Greensboro
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## **Honors, Scholarships, and Fellowships:**

2022-23	Kathleen Price and Joseph M. Bryan Fellowship
2016-18	University Grant Commission Merit Scholarship, Govt. of India
2011-14	CBSE - CSSS Merit Scholarship, Govt. of India

## **Research Papers:**

### **City Limits: A Study of Minimum Wages Using Mobile-device Locations-(*Job Market Paper*)**

Last decade has seen noteworthy local policy decisions, especially a trend in decentralisation 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 increase in minimum wages on the variation in duration of visits at a location, which can be used as a proxy to employment hours. I find a decrease in employment hours when there is a proportionate increase in local minimum wage and an increase in distance travelled from home with an increase in minimum wage. The study further demonstrates that the local labor market especially in the non-tradeable sector is more responsive to the changes in 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 changes 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*)