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## Research Profile

Development Economics, Political Economy, Economic History

## Education

**University of Pittsburgh**  
 Ph.D. Candidate in Economics  
 M.A. in Economics

2022-2027

**University of Chicago, Harris**  
 Visiting Graduate Fellow  
 Host: Eduardo Montero

Jan-Jun 2026  
 (scheduled)

**Tufts University**  
 M.S. in Economics

2020-2022

**University of Westminster, London**  
 B.A. in Economics with First Class Honors (*equivalent to summa cum laude*)

2016-2020

## Working Papers

**Urban Growth and Market Access in the Former Soviet Union**, *under review*  
 - First Prize in North American Regional Science Association Graduate Student Paper Competition 2024

**Conflict and Religion: Evidence from Ramadan**, *under review*  
 - Best Second-Year Paper Award, University of Pittsburgh, 2025

**Fraternity or Fracture? National Identity and Religious Violence amid the India-Pakistan Cricket Rivalry** (with Nilesh Fernando and Layton Hall), *available upon request*

## Work in Progress

**Brewing Ideas: Coffeehouses and the Making of Enlightenment Europe**

**Religious Calendars and the Timing of Reforms in Authoritarian Regimes**

**Faith Behind Bars: The Causal Impact of Religious Affiliation on Recidivism in U.S. Prisons**

**From Legislation to Tension: Religious Laws and Conflict in India** (with Prashant Bhandari and Josue Djossou)

## Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

ReCIPE PhD Research Grant (\$19,682)  
 Best Second-Year Paper Award, University of Pittsburgh  
 Frédéric Bastiat Fellowship, Mercatus Center (\$5000)  
 First Prize in 71<sup>st</sup> Annual North American Regional Science Association Graduate Student Paper Competition (\$1000)

2025

2024

	Summer Research Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh Arts & Sciences Graduate Fellowship, University of Pittsburgh Summer Scholar Fellowship, Tufts University (\$2500) The Varkey Family Endowed Fellowship, Tufts University (\$3000) Special Student Fellowship, Central Bank of Uzbekistan Dean's List Award, University of Westminster	2023 2021 2019 2017-2020
<b>Other Research Experience</b>	<b>Research Analyst Intern</b> , Central Bank of Uzbekistan <b>Research Assistant</b> , University of Westminster	2019 2018 – 2019
<b>Teaching Experience</b>	<b>University of Pittsburgh</b> <b>Instructor of Record:</b> Intro to Microeconomics <b>Graduate Teaching Fellow:</b> Development Economics Environmental Economics Applied Econometrics II Intro to Macroeconomics Intro to Microeconomics  <b>Tufts University</b> <b>Grader:</b> Econometrics, International Trade, International Finance	Summer 2025 Fall 2025 Spring 2025 Fall 2024 Spring 2024 Fall 2023  2020-2022
<b>Presentations and Invited Workshops</b>	Allied Social Science Associations (ASSA 2026) Paper Session*  Empirical Studies of Conflict (ESOC) Annual Meeting, Association for Comparative Economic Studies (ACES) Political Economy Summer School in Tanzania, Association for the Study of Religion and Culture (ASREC) Conference, ASREC Graduate Student Workshop  71 <sup>st</sup> Annual North American Meetings of the Regional Science Association International (RSAI), Research Seminar Series (Westminster International University in Tashkent)	2026  2025  2023-2024
	* scheduled	
<b>Academic Service</b>	<b>Panel Chair</b> , 3rd International Conference on Sustainable Regional Development in Central Asia (Osh, Kyrgyz Republic) <b>Keynote Speaker</b> , Summer School on Enhancing Research Skills and Academic Writing (Samarkand, Uzbekistan) <b>Discussant</b> , NARSC Conference (New Orleans) <b>Graduate Student Mentor</b> , Pitt Economics Mentorship Initiative <b>Volunteer</b> , Economic History Association 2023 Meeting (Pittsburgh) <b>Instructor</b> , Khan Academy <u>MOOC in Microeconomics (Uzbek)</u>	2025 2025 2024 2023-2024 2023 2021
<b>Invited Referee</b>	<i>Annals of Regional Science, Economic Inquiry</i>	
<b>Professional Skills</b>	<b>Data Analysis</b> : complex administrative panel data analysis (>10 million individuals, >100 million obs.) OLS/logistic regressions, TWFE, RDD, Difference-in-Differences, causal inference, program evaluation <b>Programming</b> : Stata, Python, R, LaTeX	

<b>Memberships</b>	American Economic Association (AEA), Royal Economic Society (RES), American Political Science Association (APSA), North American Regional Science Council (NARSC)				
<b>Personal Information</b>	Citizenship: Uzbekistan Date of Birth: June 12, 1998 Marital status: Married, with 2 children Languages: English (fluent), Russian (fluent), Uzbek (native)				
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