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education

2021–	Ph.D. Candidate in Economics, MIT	Cambridge, MA
2017–2021	S.B. Mathematical Economics, MIT	Cambridge, MA

research

Interests

Areas Education, Deveolpment, Market Design, Behavioral

Works in Progress

2023	Identifying and Nurturing Math Talent: An Experiment with Self-Paced Classes in Tamil Nadu, with Esther Duflo, Glenn Ellison, Sara Ellison, and Harini Kannan
2023	School-House Shocks: The Effect of Neighborhood-based School Assignment Policies on Intracity Migration

Undergraduate Work

2021	“Evaluating Strategic Play: Manipulations with Symmetric Information in the Boston Mechanism”, Thesis advised by Parag Pathak. link
2021	“A Rising Tide for All or Wave for One?: The Effect of Charter School Competition on District Achievement”. Selected for MIT Undergraduate Journal of Economics, Vol. XX. link
2019	“The Surprising Hybrid Pedigree of Measures of Diversity and Economic Concentration”, with Ernie Berndt and Rena Conti. NBER Working Paper #26512. Presented at Society for Economic Measurement Conference (Aug. 2019), NBER Productivity Lunch (Sep. 2019), EMG Workshop (Nov. 2020). link

Affiliations

2022–	Blueprint Labs, Research Associate
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Research Assistant Work

2022	RA for Parag Pathak, MIT
2018–2021	RA for Ernst Berndt and Rena Conti, MIT
2020	RA for Ben Olken and Gabriel Kreindler, J-PAL Southeast Asia

teaching

2023	14.19, Market Design (UG), TA for Parag Pathak, MIT
2021	14.02, Principles of Macroeconomics (UG), TA for Ricardo Caballero, MIT
2019	14.27, Economics and E-Commerce (UG), TA for Sara Ellison, MIT
2017–	Classes on economics, math, science, and other topics, MIT ESP programs (Splash, Spark, HSSP)

leadership + service

2022–	Graduate Resident Advisor in Burton-Conner, MIT
2023	Graduate Resident Advisor Training Committee, MIT
2020–2021	Committee on the Undergraduate Program at MIT, Undergraduate Representative
2017–2021	MIT ESP, Chair (2019), Summer HSSP Director (2018)
2017–2021	Northeast Regional Middle School Science Bowl, Coordinator (2019–2021)

other

Grants	NSF Graduate Research Fellow, Agency Fund, J-PAL Science for Progress Initiative
Awards	Phi Beta Kappa, Burchard Scholar
Skills	Stata, Python, R, Julia, TeX TeX, ArcGIS
Interests	Musicals, A cappella, Bikes, Jeopardy!, Puzzle Hunts, Ultimate Frisbee, Crosswords