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Experience

Research Associate, Evidence for Policy Design (EPoD) India, Jun 2019 – present

- Implementing governance-related impact evaluations for development economists at Yale University (Prof Rohini Pande, Dr Charity Moore) and University of Michigan (Prof Yusuf Neggers). Responsibilities:
- Oversee implementation of the interventions while coordinating with various stakeholders.
- Design survey questionnaires, conduct qualitative and quantitative research, run pilot exercises and refine study design and survey instruments.
- Liaise with government officials across many levels all over India and use their feedback to align project goals.
- Create data visualisations and perform econometric analysis using Stata for presenting research findings.
- Write Python scripts to scrape large amounts of data from the web/APIs, for analysing data and for project implementation.
- Managing field teams: Recruit, train, and supervise both field-based and data operations teams consisting of project assistants, field managers, field-based surveyors, data entry operators and others.

Economics Intern, Koan Advisory (New Delhi, India), May – June 2018

- Formulated a game-theoretical model for a two-sided broadcasting market, created policy proposals for clients.

Research Engineer Intern, Vzzual Ltd (Guildford, UK), June – August 2016

- Collaborated with senior developers to develop a document OCR (Optical Character Recognition) filter written in C++. Wrote Python scripts for pulling data from a web API and analyzing it.

Education

MSc Economics, Trinity College Dublin (University of Dublin), 64%, 2018 – 2019

BSc Physics, Royal Holloway (University of London), *Upper-Second Class Honours (65.5%)*, 2014 – 2017

Software and Language Skills

Proficient: Stata, Python, MySQL, Git, L^AT_EX, English, Hindi

Familiar with: C++, Unix shell scripting, Amazon Web Services EC2/RDS, Korean

Awards and Leadership Positions

- Was awarded the *International Excellence Scholarship* at Royal Holloway worth £10,000 in 2014.
- Was awarded the *Royal Holloway Passport Award* for participating in several co-curricular activities inside and outside the college in 2017.
- Was selected to go to Berlin for a *Global Leadership Programme* in 2016 from Royal Holloway.
- Co-founded a Secular Society in college and was the treasurer in 2015-16.