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APPOINTMENT	University Carlos III of Madrid (UC3M) and Institute Carlos III-Juan March (IC3JM) Postdoctoral researcher on POLARCHATS Project Artha Global Consultant at Centre for Rapid Insights Polarization, Identity and Misinformation Lab Research fellow for POLARCHATS ERC Project	September 2025– April 2025–Present July 2024–August 2025
EDUCATION	University of Wisconsin–Madison Joint PhD, Political Science and Agricultural & Applied Economics Fields: Comparative Politics, Development Economics, Political Methodology Dissertation: “Political Candidacy and Representation in India’s Local Governments” Committee: Rikhil Bhavnani (co-chair), Laura Schechter (co-chair), Yoshiko Herrera, Priya Mukherjee, and Zhenhuan (Reed) Lei MA, Political Science MS, Economics King’s College London MSc Financial Mathematics University of Delhi BSc, Statistics (Honours)	2025 2021 2018 2013 2012
FORTHCOMING PUBLICATIONS	“ Countering Misinformation Early: Evidence from a Classroom-Based Field Experiment in India, ” with Sumitra Badrinathan, Simon Chauchard, and Florian Sichart [Conditionally Accepted at American Political Science Review] – Best Paper Award from the APSA Experimental Research section (2025) – Sage Best Paper Honorable Mention from the APSA Comparative Politics section (2025)	
WORKING PAPERS	“ Do Electoral Quotas for Historically Marginalized Groups Improve Women’s Representation? Evidence from India. ” [Dissertation Paper] “ Mere Proxies or Genuine Leaders? Female Candidates in Village Council Elections in India, ” with Apurva Bamezai and Rithika Kumar [Under Review] “ Do Electoral Eligibility Laws Hurt Political Candidacy of Specific Groups? Evidence from Fertility Limits on Local Politicians in India. ” [Dissertation Paper]	
WORKS IN PROGRESS	“The Effects of Executive Selection Methods On Political Entry and Exit: Evidence from Village Elections in India.” [Dissertation Paper]	

“Sharing Falsehoods in an Information-poor Environment: An Experiment with Indian Teenagers,” with Sumitra Badrinathan, Simon Chauchard, and Florian Sichart

“Heat on Democracy: Does Polling Day Temperature affect Elections?” with Patrick Behrer, Anwesha Bhattacharya, Shweta Bhogale, Ting Liu, Bhavya Srivastava and Tanya Vaidya

RESEARCH GRANTS	Ronald Rapoport Summer Research Collaborative Program Award	2024
	Summer Initiative Research Grant, UW–Madison	2019, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024
	Conference Travel Grant, Elections Research Center, UW–Madison	2023
	Social Science Research Council Mercury Project Award, Co–PI	2023
	Graduate Research Travel Grant, UW–Madison	2019, 2020, 2023
	Summer Research Scholarship, Department of Political Science, UW–Madison	2022
	Research Funding Competition, Elections Research Center, UW–Madison	2021
	Graduate School Grant, UW–Madison	2018
	Economics Master’s Program Research Scholarship, UW–Madison	2017
CONFERENCES	Japanese Society for Quantitative Political Science (JSQPS)	2025
	European Political Science Association Annual Meeting	2024, 2025
	Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development at ISI Delhi	2023, 2024
	KDIS-World Bank Development Impact Conference	2024
	American Political Science Association Annual Meeting	2023, 2024
	European Conference on Politics and Gender	2024
	Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference	2023, 2024
	Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference	2024
INVITED TALKS	2025: Hiroshima University, Bennett University, Ashoka University, Indian Institute of Management Indore, Indian School of Business, Indian Institute of Management Udaipur, Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research	
	2024: Indian Institute of Technology Patna	
FIELDWORK	Bihar, India	9/2024, 11–12/2024
	Maharashtra, India	6–8/2019, 1/2022–4/2022
RESEARCH ASSISTANCE	Rikhil Bhavnani, UW–Madison	2023–24, 2016–18
	Nina Varsava, UW–Madison	2022–23
	Sisir Debnath, Indian School of Business	2014–16
	Rohini Somanathan, Centre for Development Economics	2013–14
TEACHING	<i>Undergraduate</i>	
	Introduction to Public Policy, Reader/Grader, UW–Madison	2021
	Understanding Political Numbers, Teaching Assistant, UW–Madison	2021
	Research Design for Undergraduates, Teaching Assistant, UW–Madison	2019
	<i>Undergraduate research supervision</i>	
	Undergraduate Research Program Mentor (3 students)	2022, 2023, 2024

	Graduate Undergraduates Political Numbers using R, University of Mumbai	2025
	Rational Choice Theories of Politics and Society, ICPSR	2024
	Mathematics for Social Scientists, Teaching Assistant, ICPSR	2024, 2023
	Introduction to Python, Teaching Assistant, ICPSR	2023
	Game Theory for Graduate Students, Teaching Assistant, UW–Madison	2020
	Managerial Economics, Teaching Assistant, Indian School of Business	2015, 2016
SERVICE	Department	
	Discussant, Comparative Politics Colloquium	2019, 2021, 2022, 2023
	Discussant, Models, Experiments, and Data Workshop	2023
	Student Coordinator, Comparative Politics Colloquium	2019, 2020
	Discipline	
	Discussant & Chair, Midwest Political Science Association Annual Conference	2024
	Chair, Southern Political Science Association Annual Conference	2024
	Discussant, American Political Science Association Annual Meeting	2023
	Journal Referee	
	Economic Modeling, American Journal of Agricultural Economics	
OTHER TRAINING	Open Science Grid School (High-Throughput Computing)	2024
	Northwestern Advanced Causal Inference Workshop	2023
AWARDS	Faculty-Student Collaborative Summer Research Fellowship, UW–Madison	2022, 2023
	University Fellowship, UW–Madison	2018–2019, 2022
	Research Paper Award (Honorable mention), Economics Dept., UW–Madison	2018
LANGUAGES	English (Proficient), Hindi (Native), Bhojpuri (Intermediate)	
PROGRAMMING	R, Python, Matlab	
SOFTWARE	Stata, QGIS, git	
AFFILIATIONS	Election Research Center, Graduate Affiliate	2021–2025
	Centre for South Asia, Graduate Affiliate	2018–2025
	IDFC Institute, Visiting Researcher	2019
REFERENCES		
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