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Education

University of Notre Dame, Ph.D. Economics	2018-Current
University of Notre Dame, M.A. Economics	2018-2019
Indiana University of Pennsylvania, B.Sc. Economics	2014-2018
<i>Minors - Applied Statistics and Business Administration</i>	
<i>Honors - Summa Cum Laude</i>	

Research Interests

Applied Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Development Economics

Job Market Paper

[Blue Collar Booms and American Mortality: Evidence from the Fracking Revolution](#) (w/ Vivek Moorthy)

Abstract: We exploit the large, positive, and persistent labor demand shocks driven by the fracking boom to investigate whether a long-run increase in economic opportunities reduces mortality. We use variation in geological characteristics amenable to fracking within a difference-in-differences design and confirm that the boom leads to sizeable increases (2-3%) in earnings and employment for both men and women that do not abate for up to six years after widespread fracking begins. While we find that overall mortality decreases (9 deaths per 100K \approx 1%), these effects are not driven by significant reductions in external causes of mortality like suicides. We instead show that treatable, internal causes (primarily cardiovascular deaths) drive the overall fall in mortality. We further find evidence that health insurance coverage increases in the wake of the boom, suggesting that the non-pecuniary benefits of employment may be a mechanism through which improved labor market outcomes reduce mortality.

Working Papers

[From the Ground Up: Labor Demand and Intergenerational Mobility in the US](#)

Work In Progress

Money and Motherhood: The Domestic Effects of a Migration Ban (w/ A. Nilesh Fernando and Alison Lodermeier)

Labor Intensity and Agricultural Tenancy Choice: Evidence from Historic US Counties

Research and Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant to A. Nilesh Fernando
Research Assistant to A. Nilesh Fernando
Teaching Assistant to A. Nilesh Fernando
Research Assistant to Lakshmi Iyer

Fall 2021 - Current
Spring 2021
Fall 2020
Fall 2019 - Spring 2020

Presentations

Advanced Graduate Workshop on Poverty, Development, and Globalization *Bangalore, India: Summer 2022*

Skills

Languages: English (native)
Software: \LaTeX , R, Stata

Awards and Scholarships

Kellogg Institute Doctoral Affiliate
Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts Grant Recipient (\$3,500)

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