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EDUCATION

Michigan State University Ph.D. in Economics	May 2024 (Expected)
Michigan State University M.Sc. in Economics	May 2020
Delhi School of Economics, University of Delhi M.A. in Economics	May 2015
Hans Raj College, University of Delhi B.A.(Honours) in Economics	May 2013

RESEARCH FIELDS

Primary: Labor Economics, Economics of Education
Secondary: Development Economics, Urban Economics

PUBLICATIONS

Science Education and Labor Market Outcomes in a Developing Economy (with Tarun Jain, Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay and Nishith Prakash), **Economic Inquiry**, 60(2), 741-763, April 2022

We examine the association between studying science in higher secondary school and labor market earnings in India. Studying science in high school is associated with 22% greater earnings than studying business or humanities. Earnings for science students are further enhanced with some fluency in English. Science education is also associated with more years of education, completing a professional degree, returns to entrepreneurship and working in public sector positions. Primary survey of high school students shows no discernible differences in behavioral characteristics of science students compared to others.

WORKING PAPERS

The Local Economic Impacts of Foreign Students

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

The Impact of International Peers on College Student Achievement

Sowing the Seeds of Entrepreneurship: Evaluation of Entrepreneurial Mindset Development Program in India

Joint with Sofia Amaral, Aakash Bhalothia, Ritam Chaurey, Isis Gaddis, Gaurav Khanna, Samreen Malik, Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay, Nishith Prakash

Shaping Minds: The Transformative Effects of Theatre-Based Learning

Joint with Ritam Chaurey, Shantanu Khanna, Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay, Nishith Prakash, Raisa Sherif

Weather and College Student Achievement

Joint with Andrew Earle

TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Instructor, Michigan State University

Intermediate Microeconomics	2020
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Teaching Assistant, Michigan State University

Introductory Microeconomics ($\times 4$)	2019-2022
Intermediate Microeconomics ($\times 3$)	2018-2021
Advanced Microeconomics: Game Theory	2023
Intermediate Macroeconomics	2019

Research Assistant

Research Assistant, Prof. Abhiroop Mukhopadhyay, ISI Delhi	April 2016-May 2018
Research Assistant, Prof. Nishith Prakash, UConn Storrs	April 2016-May 2018

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee

Economics of Education Review, Economic Modelling, PLOS One

Conference Presentations

Midwest Economic Association Annual Meeting (Upcoming)	2023
ACEGD, Indian Statistical Institute	2022
Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting	2022
Research Seminars in Advanced Topics in Economics, Michigan State University	2022
Red Cedar Conference, Michigan State University	2021

Invited Seminars

Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research	2022
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Editor

Students' Journal (Eostre), Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics	2013-15
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AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Research Fellowship, Michigan State University	2022, 2021
Supplemental Support Fellowship, Michigan State University	2019
Rank 19 (out of 30,000 students), Regional Mathematics Olympiad, National Board of Higher Mathematics, Government of India	2009-10
National Merit List, Grade 10 Exam, Central Board of Secondary Education, Government of India	2008

INDUSTRY WORK EXPERIENCE

Consultant, Deloitte India LLP

Education & Skill Development	June 2015-March 2016
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Intern, Indian Credit Rating Agency

June-August 2014

Intern, Ernst & Young

International Pricing

June-August 2012

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages/Software: Stata, LaTeX, QGIS, Python

Tools: Panel Data Econometrics, Causal Inference, Applied Statistics

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Citizenship: India (On F1 visa)

Gender: Male

Languages: English, Hindi (Native)

REFERENCES

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