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Research interests	Development Economics

Education

University of California, Santa Cruz, USA

PhD in Economics, Department of Economics	2025 (expected)
M.A. in Economics, Department of Economics	2020

University College London, London, UK

MSc in Economics, Department of Economics	2017

University of Delhi, Delhi, India

B.A. (Honors) Economics	2015

Papers

"Going the Extra Mile: Farm Subsidies and Spatial Convergence in Agricultural Input Adoption", with Shilpa Aggarwal, Dahyeon Jeong, Naresh Kumar, David Sungho Park, Jonathan Robinson, and Alan Spearot
Reject and Resubmit, *Economic Journal*

(2022) **"God is in the Rain: The Impact of Rainfall-Induced Early Social Distancing on COVID-19 Outbreaks"**, with Ajay Shenoy, Bhavyaa Sharma, Guanghong Xu, Haedong Rho, and Kinpritma Sangha
Journal of Health Economics 81: 102575

Works in Progress

"Together to Work? Effect of Travel Buddy on Women's Job Search and Mobility in India", with Smit Gade

"Search Costs and Women's Employment: Evidence from a Field Experiment in Urban India ", with Monica Shandal and David Sungho Park

"The Girl on the Train: Effect of Delhi Metro Transit System on Women's Employment", with Moumita Das

Research Grants

UCSC Economics Department Research Grant, $5100	2024
UCSC Center for Labor and Community Research Grant, $7,267.47	2024
Weiss Fund for Research in Development Economics Travel and Piloting Grant with Monica Shandal, $14,901	2024
SurveyCTO Data Collection Research Grant, $3376	2024
G2LM|LIC Programme SRG (Phase VII), €24,969	2023

	UCSC Economics Department Research Grant, $5000	2023
	UCSC Blum Scholars Grant, $4000	2023
	Weiss Fund for Research in Development Economics, $35,010	Spring 2023
	J-PAL GEA Initiative Travel/Proposal Development Grant, $8040	2022
	UCSC Economics Department Research Grant, $5000	2022
	J-PAL K-CAI Research Grant with Shilpa Aggarwal, Jonathan Robinson, and Alan Spearot, $400,000	2021

Fellowships, and Awards

UCSC Chancellor's Quarter Dissertation Fellowship, $10,000	2025
UCSC Graduate Summer Writing Fellowship, $6000	2023
UCSC Eileen Brooks Memorial Research Paper Award, $2,200	2021
UCSC Regents' Fellowships, $15,000	2019

Research Assistantship

Jonathan Robinson (UCSC), Shilpa Aggarwal (ISB), and Alan Spearot (UCSC)	2020 − 2022
Ajay Shenoy (UCSC)	2021
Supreet Kaur (UC, Berkeley), Heather Scholfield (Wharton), and Christina Brown (Chicago)	2017-2019

Teaching Skills

Computer: STATA, QGIS, Python, R, MATLAB, ODK, SurveyCTO, LaTeX

Language: English (fluent), Hindi (native), Punjabi (Intermediate)

Citizenship   Republic of India