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Education

Northwestern University	2025 (<i>expected</i>)
Ph.D. in Economics	
Northwestern University	2020
M.A. in Economics	
Colby College	2017
B.A. in Economics (<i>Honors & Distinction</i>) and Mathematical Science (<i>Distinction</i>), <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	

Publications

Development Research at High Geographic Resolution: An Analysis of Night Lights, Firms, and Poverty in India Using the SHRUG Open Data Platform (with Sam Asher, Toby Lunt, and Paul Novosad), *World Bank Economic Review* (2021)

Shifted Baselines Reduce Willingness to Pay for Conservation (with Loren McClenachan, Shah Payal, and Sahan Dissanayake), *Frontiers in Marine Science* (2018)

The Proposed Park in Maine's North Woods: Preferences of Out-of-State Visitors (with Sahan Dissanayake and Andrew Meyer), *Maine Policy Review* (2016)

Research Experience

Development Data Lab	2017-2019
Research Associate	

Presentations

2022	European Meeting of Urban Economics Association, Infra4Dev Conference
2017	Maine Economic Conference
2016	Heartland Environmental and Resource Economic Workshop

Grants & Scholarship

2021-2024	Japan Student Service Organization Scholarship
2019-2021	Japan-IMF Scholarship
2016	Leslie Dougherty Biddle '89 and George Biddle Fund for International Service Learning, Internships, and Research

Awards

2017	Breckenridge Prize (highest GPA among senior economic majors) Phi Beta Kappa (top 9% of senior class)
2016	Economics Department Prize for Junior with Highest GPA