Sayak Khatua

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Current Position

School of Public Policy, Oregon State University

PhD Student, Public Policy & Instructor/Graduate

Teaching Assistant

September 2022 - Present

EDUCATION

Oregon State University

PhD, Public Policy

June 2026 (Expected)

Portland State University

MS, Economics

June 2015

University of Calcutta

MSc., Economics

July 2013

Specialisation: Labor Economics, Advanced Econometric Theory, Game Theory

BSc., Economics

May 2011

Major: Economics Minor: Political Science and Mathematics

Professional EXPERIENCE

International Initiative for Impact Evaluation(3ie) Consultant, Vaccine Hesitancy Project

August 2022-October 2022

- Led the completion of quantitative analysis
- Led and supported preparation of quantitative report, briefs and presentations
- Prepared and contributed to relevant journal manuscripts and their revisions

Evaluation Specialist

January 2021-June 2022

- Served as technical lead and managed 3ie's impact evaluation grants across Nepal, Uganda and Pakistan
- Provided technical expertise and managed 3ie's Transparency, Reproducibility, and Ethical Evidence (TREE) portfolio
- Managed Registry for International Development Impact Evaluations (RIDIE) and 3ie's Public Data repository on Harvard Dataverse
- Served as technical lead for quality assurance of 3ie funded and commissioned Impact Evaluation data (Computational reproducibility)
- Provided technical expertise to 3ie's work on Innovation in data for Impact Evaluations
- Built capacity on improving the quality, reproducibility and management of Evaluations
- Developed training materials and conducted trainings on using statistical software for Impact Evaluation as part of 3ie's Virtual Trainings Initiative
- Provided techincal expertise to 3ie's Thematic Window on Sanitation (Latrine Use), creation of Evidence Gap Maps(EGMs), and various in-house projects
- Provided technical expertise to 3ie's work funded by MCC, USAID, FCDO, and UKAID

Senior Research Associate Research Associate

January 2020-December 2020

March 2018-December 2019

Outline India

Research Associate

July 2017-February 2018

- Served as technical lead on evaluation projects
- Led quality assurance of on-field data collection
- Designed robust and statistically sound methodologies for research
- Led proposals and exante project report writing
- Provided technical expertise to qualitative/quantitative survey tool drafting

Research EXPERIENCE Department of Economics, Portland State University

Research Assistant to Prof. Cesar Rodriguez

August 2021-December 2021

Department of Economics, Portland State University

Research Assistant January 2014-July 2015

	Summer Researcher May 2012-July 2012		
	Responsibilities: Manage primary data collection, conduct literature reviews, conduct data analysis, train survey staff, conduct focus group discussions, quality assure reports, liaise with government officials		
Teaching Experience	School of Public Policy, Oregon State University Instructor/Teaching Assistant September 2022-Present		
	Department of Economics, University of Illinois at Chicago Teaching Assistant August 2015-May 2017		
	Department of Economics, Portland State University Teaching Assistant September 2013-June 2015		
	Courses Taught: Undergraduate Micro and Macro economics, Intermediate econometrics, Graduate Econometrics, Labour economics		
PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS	Using big data for evaluating development outcomes: a systematic map with F.Rathinam, Z.Siddiqui, M.Malik, P.Duggal, S.Watson, X.Vollenweider [Link Here]		
BOOK CHAPTERS	Short-Term Versus Long-Term Effects of Forced Displacement. [Link Here] 2019 with V.Sarma		
Working papers	Power to the Researchers: Calculating Power After Estimation [Submitted] 2022 with Alex Tian, Robert Reed, Tom Coupe, Ben Wood		
	How Many Replicators Does It Take to Achieve Reliability? Investigating Researcher Variability in a Crowdsourced Replication. [Preprint] 2021 with Nate Breznau, et al.		
	The Use of Behavioural-science Informed Interventions to Promote Latrine Use in Rural India: A Synthesis of Findings. [Preprint][Data and Code] 2020 with Charlotte Lane and Bethany Caruso		
	Making data accessible: lessons learned from computational reproducibility of impact evaluations. [Preprint][Data and code] 2019 with Neeta Goel and Marie Gaarder		
Manuscripts in Preparation	Understanding drivers of vaccination uptake using WHO BeSD framework 2022 with Monica Jain, Abhirupa Das, Umer Gupta		
	Telling stories by Pooling data: A Methodological Perspective with Monica Jain, Abhirupa Das, Umer Gupta		
	Narratives of ethnic minorities on ideas of development: A case study on Meo-muslims 2022 with Malvya Chintakindi		
	Human Capital Investments of Young Hispanics: The Bright Side of the Great Recession? $$2022$$ with Salman Khan		
OTHER PUBLICATIONS	Three ways you can start using remote sensing for measuring impact. [Blog] 2022 with Aayush Malik, Douglas Glandon, Jane Hammaker, Katherine Quant.		

Nottingham School of Economics, University of Nottingham Malaysia

 ${\bf Bayesian\ and\ Interdisciplinary\ Research\ Unit(BIRU), Indian\ Statistical\ Institute(ISI)}$

March 2013-August 2013

May 2012-July 2012

Research Assistant

Summer Researcher

	Assessing the impact of policy and institutional reforms in indevelopment. [Blog] with Caroline Huang, Zeba Siddiqui, Douglas Glandon, Aayush Malik.	2022
	Beyond Counterfactuals:Making transparency, reproducibility central to rigorous evidence generation. [Blog] with Jennifer Sturdy	y, and ethics (TRE) 2021
	What's the deal with Push Button Replication? [Blog]	2018
	Swachch Bharat Mission: Need clarity on actual impact. [Opwith P.V.Apoorva and Anjali Krishnan	ed] 2017
Invited Talks	Speaker, Session on Pre-registration and Push Button Replication (PBR), at National Planning Department, Government of Colombia. (Remote; May 2021) Panelist, Session on Emerging Approaches and Technologies for Evidence Generation at the National Conference on Monitoring, Evaluation, and Learning organised by the DMEO, Niti Aayog. (Remote; March, 2021) Presenter and Panelist, Transparency, Reproducibility, and Credibility: A Research Symposium, World Bank Headquarters, Washington D.C. (September, 2019) Trainer, Session on Research Transparency in ICAR short course series at ICAR-IIHR, Bangalore (November, 2018) Presenter and Panelist, Gender Transformative Evaluation: methods and approach, at Evalfest (February, 2018), hosted by the Evaluation Community of India. Southern Economic Association, 2015 (Not attended) "Modelling Migration", Presented at the Departmental Brown Bag, Department of Economics, Portland State University (2014)	
Academic Honors	Graduate Assistantship, Oregon State University Graduate Assistantship, University of Illinois at Chicago Faculty Award, Portland State University International Graduate Assistantship, Portland State University	2022-2026 2015-2017 2015 2013-2015
Trainings	CITI Training (Record ID 51829646) PHRP Online Training SBER(Credential ID 2866708)	Expires Nov 2025 Expires May 2023

Research Transparency and Reproducibility Training (RT2), UC Berkeley 2019 Project Management for Development Professionals (PMD Pro) Level 1. 2018

Tools Statistical: STATA, R, SAS, SPSS

Others: LATEX, Epi Info, ArcGIS, GeoDa, SurveyCTO, Python, GitHub

Languages English, Bengali, Hindi