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EMPLOYMENT AND AFFILIATIONS

University of Rochester

Postdoctoral Associate in Economics 2024–

The World Bank Group

Consultant, Social Protection and Jobs (SPJ) Global Practice 2024–2025

Economist, Poverty and Equity Global Practice 2023–2024

Research Economist, Development Economics Research Group 2011–2018

Global Labor Organization

Fellow 2018–

International Food Policy Research Institute

Consultant 2021 (Aug)–2021 (Dec)

EDUCATION

University of Rochester, Visiting PhD Student in Economics 2021–2023

Michigan State University, PhD in Applied Economics 2018–2023

WORKING PAPERS

“Female Leaders and Welfare in a Water-Scarce Economy”
with Cait Brown and Aruni Mitra

“College Access and Domestic Violence”
with Ha Luong
under review

“Misallocation and Product Choice”
with Stepan Gordeev

“Input-Driven Production Technology Heterogeneity and Misallocation”
with Stepan Gordeev

“Political Exit: The Unintended Effects of Electoral Rules in India”
with Varun K.R. & Drew Stommel
under review

“Political Connections and Public Employment”
under review

“How Productive are Workfare Programs? Evidence from Indian Agriculture”
with K. Deininger and S. Jin
Revise and resubmit

PUBLICATIONS

“Addressing Declining Female Labor Force Participation in India: Does Political Empowerment Make a Difference?”, with K. Deininger, S. Jin, H. K. Nagarajan, *Journal of Development Studies*, 2022

“Women’s Political Leadership and Economic Empowerment: Evidence from Public Works in India”, with K. Deininger & H. K. Nagarajan, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 2020

“Wages, Prices, and Agriculture: How can Indian Agriculture Cope with Rising Wages?”, with H. Binswanger, *Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 2018

“Can Labor Market Imperfection Explain Changes in Farm Size Productivity Relationship? Longitudinal Evidence from India”, with K. Deininger, S. Jin, and Y. Liu, *Land Economics*, 2018

“Determinants of Productivity and Structural Change in a Large Commercial Farm Environment: Evidence from Ukraine”, with K. Deininger and D. Nizalov, *The World Bank Economic Review*, 2017

“Does Land Fragmentation Increase the Cost of Cultivation? Evidence from India”, with K. Deininger, D. Monchuck, and H. K. Nagarajan, *Journal of Development Studies*, 2016

“Consumption Smoothing and Insurance Against the Income Risk—A Case of India”, with P. Kumar, *Indian Economic Review*, vol. 47(2), 2012

SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS

“Housing, Network, and Migration”
with Travis Baseler and Alp Sungu

“College Entry, Firms, and Structural Change”
with Ha Luong

“Farms, Trade, and Misallocation”
with Stepan Gordeev

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

PumpPrimer II Award, University of Rochester-2024-2025 (with Baseler & Sungu)

Academic Achievement Award, Michigan State University, 2023

Travel Grant, Michigan State University, 2023

Graduate Research Assistantship, Michigan State University, 2018-2023

Graduate Fellowship, Michigan State University, Spring 2018

IDRC Social Science Research award, 2009

Economics Departmental Honors

Global Development Network (GDN) Grant (co-I)

Securities and Exchange Board of India Research Grant (co-I)

TEACHING

University of Rochester

Advanced Econometrics (Ph.D.), Instructor

Spring 2025

Economic Research and Communication (undergraduate), Instructor

Spring 2025

Advanced Quantitative Methods: Causal Inference (Ph.D.), Guest Lecturer

Fall 2023, 2024

Michigan State University

Food Marketing Management (BS), Teaching Assistant

Spring 2021

Food and Agribusiness Strategic Management(BS), Teaching Assistant

Fall 2019

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

PRESENTATIONS (*selected talks by coauthor)

Conference on Economic Growth and Development, Indian Statistical Institute (2025), Université Laval, Canada*, NEUDC (2024), SEA (2024), AAEA (2024), Econometric Society Winter Meetings (2023), SEA (2023), Stockman Conference, University of Rochester* (2023), AAEA (2023), University of Connecticut* (2023), College of Economics and Management, Nanjing Agricultural University* (2023), School of Public Affairs, Chongqing University* (2023), Development Lunch Seminar, Michigan State University (2022), GRS, Michigan State University (2021), Brown Bag Seminar, Michigan State University (2020, 2021), World Agricultural Landscape under Current Challenges Conference, Purdue University (2019), Land and Poverty Conference, The World Bank (2017), International Association of Agricultural Economist (2015), The World Bank (2015)

REFEREE FOR: *American Journal of Agricultural Economics, Agribusiness, Land Economics, Land Use Policy, European Review of Agricultural Economics, Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy*

GRANTS REVIEW: *RSB grants at the World Bank*

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Skills: Stata, R, MATLAB, Python, SQL, L^AT_EX, Qualtrics, SurveyCTO

Citizenship: USA

Languages: English (Fluent), Hindi (Native)

Last updated: December, 2025