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Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Reading, 2015.

Dissertation Title: “Essays on the Political Economics of Development: Evidence from India”.

Committee: Uma Kambhampati (supervisor), Andi Nygaard (co-supervisor), Toke Aidt, Samantha Rawlings.

M.Sc. Economics, Madras School of Economics, 2008.

B.A. Economics, Fergusson College, University of Pune, 2006.

Research Interests

Empirical Industrial Organization, Economics of Climate Change, Political Economics, Development Economics

Academic Experience

University of Reading, Department of Economics

Postdoctoral Research Assistant, 2015–Present

Sessional Lecturer (TA), 2012–2015.

Research Assistant, 2013–14.

Madras School of Economics, Teaching Assistant, 2010–11.

Peer-Reviewed Publications

1. Hui, N., Kailthya, S. and Kambhampati, U.(2015) Infrastructural Development and Firm Efficiency in India (1999–2007), *Review of Development and Change*, Vol XX, No. 2. [[link](#)]

Working Papers

1. Kailthya, S.(2018) Vulnerability of Households to Weather Shocks and the Mitigating Role of Workfare Programs [[link](#)]
2. Kailthya, S. and Kambhampati, U.(2018) Road to Productivity: The Effect of Roads on Manufacturing TFP in India [[link](#)]
3. Kailthya, S. and Kambhampati, U.(2018) Political Competition and Government Responsiveness: Evidence from Rural India

4. Kailthya, S. and Kambhampati, U.(2017) The Heterogeneous Effect of Political Competition on Government Responsiveness in India
5. Kailthya, S. and Nygaard, A.(2017) Developing India's slums: Informality and Exceptionalism vs. Formality and Rules in Public Service Provision
6. Kailthya, S. and Kambhampati, U.(2017) Spatial Interactions and the Political Economics of Public Provision: Evidence from School Education in India

Work in Progress

1. The Non-Linear Effect of Weather Shocks on Household Living Standards
2. Productivity Disrupted: Evidence from a Policy Experiment in India
3. Does Affirmative Action in Politics Increase Enrolment of Disadvantaged Children?

Honours & Awards

Felix scholarship, 3 year fully-funded PhD scholarship, 2011–2014

Master's scholarship, Madras School of Economics, 2008

Conference grant, Royal Economic Society, 2015

Conference grant, European Public Choice Society, 2015

Conference Presentations

2018 Centre for the Study of African Economies, Oxford

2016 ISI Growth and Development Conference, New Delhi

2015 European Public Choice Society Conference, Groningen
Royal Economic Society Conference, Manchester

2013 European Public Choice Society Conference, Zurich

2011 Second European Microfinance Research Conference, Netherlands
47th Annual Conference of the Indian Econometric Society, Bhopal

Teaching

University of Reading

Development Economics (Masters, ECM171)

Microfinance (Masters, IDM075)

Micro/Macroeconomics for Developing Countries (Masters, IDM070 and IDM063)

Formerly TA for: Macroeconomics, Econometrics, and Mathematical Economics courses.