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Academic positions

2022-	PRINCETON UNIVERSITY

Assistant Professor of Politics and International Affairs, Department of Politics and SPIA
Faculty Associate, Center for Global India
Faculty Associate, Data-Driven Social Science Initiative
Faculty Associate, Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies
Member, Princeton Council on Academic Freedom

2023-24 *Maternity leave* (Childbirth: 21st October 2023)

2025-26 *On sabbatical*
Visiting Scholar (Fall), Political Economy and Transnational Governance, University of Amsterdam
Visiting Scholar (Spring), Department of Politics, New York University

2020-22 HARVARD UNIVERSITY
Academy scholar (post-doctoral), Harvard Academy
Research Fellow, Women and Public Policy Program, Harvard Kennedy School

2021-23 UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA
Visiting Scholar Fellowship Non-Residential, Center for the Advanced Study of India

Fields Comparative Politics, Gender and Politics, Political Economy of Development, South Asia, Experiments

Education

2016-21 UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD, DPhil in Political Science, Nuffield College
- Dissertation, "Representation from Below: How Women Mobilize Inside Parties"
- Dissertation Committee: David Rueda (Chair), Robin Harding, Ben Ansell, Dawn Teele
- Mancur Olson Best Dissertation award in Political Economy, 2022
- Juan Linz Prize for Best Dissertation in the Comparative Study of Democracy & Autocracy, 2023

2014-16 UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM, Research Master's in Social Sciences (cum laude)

2010-12 TATA INSTITUTE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES, Master's in Arts (with distinction)

2004-08 JIIT, B.Tech in Computer Science and Engineering (cum laude)

Book Manuscript

"Representation from Below: The Grassroots Origins of Women's Political Power" (Under review)
- Book Conference, 2 December 2022, Harvard Academy.
- Opinion Editorial Indian Express (here)

Peer-reviewed publications

1. Goyal T. 2024 "Do Citizens Enforce Accountability for Public Goods Provision? Evidence from India's Rural Roads Program" Journal of Politics 86:1 97-112.
   - Featured on Economic Times front page during India's National Elections (here), 16th May 2019
   - Journal of Politics blog post (here)

2. Goyal T. 2024 "Representation from Below: How Women's Grassroots Party Activism Promotes Equal Political Participation" American Political Science Review 118(3), 1415–1430.
   - APSA Kauffman Foundation Award for Best Paper on Entrepreneurship and Inclusion, 2020
   - Featured on Indian Express Guest Op-ed (by invitation) (here)

3. Goyal T, Sells C. 2024 "Descriptive Representation and Party Building: Evidence from Municipal Governments in Brazil" American Political Science Review 118(4):1840-1855.
   - Jack Walker Article Award, Political Organizations and Parties Section APSA, 2025

4. Goyal, T. 2025 "Local political representation as a pathway to power: A natural experiment in India" *American Journal of Political Science* 69: 516–530.
    - King's Quantitative Political Economy Seminar Award for Best Paper, 2021

Working Papers

"Increasing Polarization of Hindu-Muslim Identity in India" with Feyaad Allie, Viktor Enssle, Saad Gulzar, and Gufran Pathan,

"Is Ethnic Violence Self-Perpetuating? Natural Experimental Evidence from Hindu-Muslim Riots in India," with Sam van Noort , *Revise and Resubmit*, **Journal of Conflict Resolution**

"Accountability and political selection: High standards in India's competitive rural elections" with Tanisha Mohapatra.

"Does local leadership lower bias in law enforcement? Evidence from Experiments with India's rural politicians," with Sam van Noort & Mats Ahrenshop

"Do Voters in Local Elections Prefer Campaign Promises over Attributable Policies? Experimental Evidence from India and Ghana," with Robin Harding

"Not My Role Model: How Gender Norms Overturn Symbolic Effects"

Work-in-progress

Political career progression in rural elections (With Tanisha Mohapatra)

Mobilizing millions: Programmatic politics in India's ground campaigns (With Siddarth Venkatesh)

Party activists and candidate selection (With Siddarth Venkatesh)

Street-Level Bureaucrats and Gendered Party Recruitment in Brazil's municipal government (with Anderson Frey)

Policy Reports

"Representation, discrimination and progressive social policy: Evidence from India" (2021) *IGC Final Report* with Sam van Noort.

Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

Jack Walker Article Award, Political Organizations and Parties Section APSA, 2025

Susan Clarke Young Scholar Career Award, Urban and Local Politics Section APSA, 2025

Pre-doc/ data scientist 50 percent funded position, Center for Global India, Princeton University, 2024

Seed grants for exploratory research, Center for Global India, Princeton University, 45,000$ grant, 2024

Seed grants for exploratory research, Center for Global India, Princeton University joint with Saad Gulzar, 50,000$ grant for research titled, "Religious Identity Choice: Evidence from a Billion Indian Names," 2024

Inclusive Pedagogy Grant, The McGraw Center for Teaching and Learning, Princeton University (1,800$)

Data-Driven Social Science (DDSS), Princeton University 25,000$ grant for research titled, "Religious Identity Choice: Evidence from a Billion Indian Names," 2023

APSA Juan Linz Prize for Best Dissertation in the Comparative Study of Democracy & Autocracy, 2023 (1,000$)

APSA Mancur Olson Best Dissertation award in Political Economy, 2022 (100$)

King's Quantitative Political Economy Seminar Award for Best Paper, 2021 (200 pounds).

APSA Kauffman Foundation Award for Best Paper on Entrepreneurship and Inclusion, 2020 (500$).

Seed grants for exploratory research, Center for Global India, Princeton University, with Amaney Jamal (50,000$), 2020.

Research Grant, Bobst Center, Princeton University (5,000$), 2020.

Nuffield-Yale Exchange Fellowship, 2019.

MIT Governance Lab grant, "Representation from Below: How Party Workers Shape Descriptive and Substantive Representation" (14,990$), 2019.

Ostrom Fund, APSA Centennial Center for Political Science and Public Affairs (2,500$), 2019.

Nuffield grant for travel, University of Oxford (11,000$), 2016-2020.

International Growth Center- Co-Principal Investigator with Sam van Noort (52,000$), 2019.

John Fell Fund, University of Oxford grant with Robin Harding (46,000$), 2018.

Holland Scholarship, Dutch Ministry of Education, Netherlands (4,500$).

Amsterdam Merit Scholarship, University of Amsterdam, Netherlands (31,500$).

German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD) scholarship, Germany (8,500$).

Internal Invited Events: Princeton University

2025:   Conference on Populism and Democracy, CSDP, 25-26 April 2025

       CGI event, "Why are millions of women missing in India's workforce," together with Ashwini Deshpande and Seema Jayachandran. 7 April 2025

       PU-Sciences Po workshop, March 2025

       SPIA Fall Faculty Forum, January 2025

2024:   (Mis)representation in Politics- Panel discussion- 100th Anniversary Celebration of the Department of Politics

       CGI event, India's historic elections & after: Does India's diversity safeguard her democracy? With Ashutosh Varshney and Milan Vaishnav

2023:   Research Program in Development Economics Lunch Seminar

       CGI event, Social Inequality and Sustainable Development in India: Perspectives & Methods Across Disciplines

2022:   Guest Lecture in ENV 343: Inequality and Sustainability in India and USA: An Interdisciplinary Global Perspective

       PIIRS Global Existential Challenges: Gender, Sexuality, and Reproductive Rights Around the Globe, link to event page.

Recent Invited Talks/ Panels

2025: Science Po, Duke University, University of Houston - Hobby School of Public Affairs, Università Bocconi, Stanford CP seminar, Columbia University, University of Amsterdam, Uppsala University, Petralia workshop, NYU I&I seminar, Local Political Economy Conference (UPenn), Harvard Academy Reunion, Harvard-Brown Joint seminar, Yale, Vanderbilt.

2024: UC Berkley, Political Economy Workshop at CASI, ECPG (Ghent), EGEN, Wash U, University of Minnesota; Political Economy Colloquium and MEAD, UW Madison.

2023: PE conference, Stockholm University, Research Program in Development Economics, Princeton University, Princeton Women in Politics, Mentoring dinner for graduate students; CGI Sustainability and Inequality Panel, Princeton University; Political Economy Workshop at CASI, University of Pennsylvania; Charting Net-Zero Carbon, Climate Resilient Transitions, New Delhi.

2022: PIIRS Global Existential Challenges Seminar; CGI Seminar; Conference on Political Elites (Columbia University), Conference on The Origins and Legacy of the Agodjie - The Female Warriors of the Kingdom of Dahomey; Temple University CP Seminar; Zero Carbon, Resilient, Equitable Cities: Infrastructure Innovations and Systems Analysis, Princeton University (Guest Lecture); EPSA roundtable on Gender Inequality in Political Science; Scope Conditions; Weatherhead Forum, Harvard University; NYU CP Seminar; Politics of India guest lecture, Princeton University; Harvard India Conference.

2021: Interpreting Politics and the Rudolph Legacy Authors meet Critics event at BU (Panelist); Building a Capable State, IDFC Institute series supported by the Gates Foundation; London School of Economics; Tulane University; Women Lead Conversations (Podcast); South Asia Joint Seminar: Harvard-Brown-MIT; CASI seminar series- University of Pennsylvania; Interpreting Politics and the Rudolph Legacy: Authors meet Critics, Boston University.

2020: Harvard PE of D lecture, Princeton University; Quality of Government Institute, Gothenburg.

2019: IGC Gender and Development Conference, Bihar; MIT, Chicago-Harris, and Princeton (Job talks); CSR - CSH seminar, New Delhi.

Conference/ workshop participation

2025: CEPR (Brussels), Politics & Gender Conference (Rutgers University), EPSA (Madrid), APSA (Vancouver), MPSA (Chicago)

2024: APSA (Philadelphia), EGEN (NYU), New Research on Gender in Political Psychology Conference (Brandeis University), PacDev (Stanford), 20 Years of the Quality of Government Research: taking stock and moving forward" conference (Gothenburg), EPSA (Cologne), MPSA (Chicago), APSA (Philadelphia)

2023: EGEN (Cornell), APSA (Los Angeles)

2022: ISID, Local Political Economy Conference (McGill university), APSA, EPSA, Identity & Politics in South Asia Workshop UC Berkley, AALIMS, Harvard PE of D workshop, Harvard CP Workshop, Harvard PE workshop, Conference on Gender and Politics at Harvard, Scheduled: APSA, EPSA, UC Berkley India Conference

2021: Harvard Academy seminar, Harvard PE Workshop, Harvard CP Workshop, Gender & Politics in South Asia Workshop UC Berkley, Kings QPE seminar, APSA

2020: New Research on Gender and Political Psychology Conference, Harvard Experiments in Political Science conference, APSA, University of Gothenburg, EPSA, Oxford-LSE graduate seminar

2019: NYU Graduate workshop, NEWEPS Columbia, pre-APSA South Asia conference at the World Bank, APSA, Centre for Policy Research Urban Workshops in New Delhi, EPSA, Oxford-LSE graduate conference, UCL graduate conference, Centre for Experimental Social Sciences colloquium at Nuffield College, IMEBESS, PSA (Nottingham), MPSA

Teaching and Advising

POL 351 Politics of Development (revised undergraduate lecture), Spring '25

POL 357 Gender and Development (new undergraduate lecture), Spring '23 and Spring '25 (Awarded the Inclusive Pedagogy Grant)

SPI 404 Rethinking Political Participation in the Global South (new undergraduate seminar), Spring '23 and Spring '25

Introduction to Statistics for MPhil & DPhil students at the Q-Step centre, University of Oxford, 2017

GRADUATE ADVISING: Nancy Yun-Tang (Committee member, expected 2026)

RESEARCH ASSISTANTS/ PRE-DOCS: Ayushi Gupta (MPP - Harvard Kennedy School), Medha Mathur, Haniya Rumaney (PhD Psychology - CUNY), Siddarth Venkatesh (PhD Economics - Chicago), Viktor Enssle (PhD Politics - University of Oxford), Gufran Pathan, Riya Kadam

Professional Service

REVIEWER FOR: *NSF*, NEUDC, Journal of Development Economics, European Journal of Political Economy, Public Choice, American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review; British Journal of Political Science; Comparative Political Studies; Journal of Politics; World Politics; Politics & Gender; Studies in Indian Politics; Gender & Society; International Feminist Journal of Politics.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: *Academic Freedom Alliance* member, *EGAP* member, *JPAL (Invited Researcher)*; *The Political Economy UK Group (Associate Member)*

CONFERENCES ORGANIZED
2025: Three decades of research on India's gender quotas (co-organizing with Don Green, TBA)
2025: South Asia Junior Faculty Workshop, pre-EPSA 2025, Madrid (co-organized with Mashail Malik and Simon Chauchard)
2024: South Asia Junior Faculty Workshop, pre-APSA 2024, Philadelphia (co-organized with Mashail Malik)
2022: Mini-Conference on Comparative Politics of Gender in the Global South, APSA 2022, Montreal (co-organized with Bhumi Purohit, Jessica Gottlieb, Tiffany Barnes)
2019: Political Economy of Development and Accountability Conference, University of Oxford (co-organized with Robin Harding)
2018-19: Founder, DPhil Politics/International Relations Nuffield Graduate Seminar

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY SERVICE
2023-24: Organizer, Comparative Politics Seminar with Elizabeth Nugent
2022-23: Organizer, Comparative Politics Seminar with Andreas Wiedemann

2025: Section Chair, Representation and Electoral Systems, MPSA. 2024: Juan Linz Dissertation Award, Democracy and Autocracy Best Dissertation committee
2023: Award committee member, Political APSA Political Economy Section, William Riker Best Book Award
2023-: Associate Editor, World Politics

Work Experience
2012-13: Analyst (Global Analyst Program), Deutsche-Bank AG Mumbai/ London/ Singapore
2008-09: Associate Software Engineer (SAS certified), Accenture, New Delhi

Languages
Hindi (native), English (fluent), Sanskrit (intermediate), French (A2 level), Dutch (A2 level)

Fieldwork
New Delhi, Bihar, Haryana, Uttar Pradesh, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Karnataka (India)

Citizenship
India (Permanent resident/ green card: USA)