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Employment	Postdoctoral Scholar, University of California, Berkeley	2020 –
Education	Ph.D., Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California, Berkeley <i>Committee:</i> Aprajit Mahajan, Ethan Ligon, Jeremy Magruder, Supreet Kaur	2020
	M.Sc., Economics, London School of Economics	2012
	M.A. (5 year integrated undergraduate) Economics, Indian Institute of Technology Madras	2011
Publications	“Relief from Usury: Impact of a Self-Help Group Intervention in Rural India,” with Vivian Hoffmann, Vijayendra Rao, Upamanyu Datta. <i>Journal of Development Economics</i> , 2021, Vol 148. [Available Here]	
Working Papers	“The Moneylender as Middleman: Formal Credit Supply and Informal Loans in Rural India” [Available Here] <i>Media:</i> Ideas of India (podcast) ; Ideas for India (blogpost)	
	“Access to Finance, Empowerment and Women’s Employment: Experimental Evidence from Rural India” (Draft Available upon Request)	
Research in Progress	“Gender-Wage Gap in Agricultural Labor Markets in Rural India,” with Manaswini Rao. “Debt-driven Consumption Growth in Rural India,” with Vivian Hoffmann and Vijayendra Rao.	
Teaching	University of California, Berkeley <i>Introduction to Economics</i> , Martha Olney <i>Microeconomic Theory with Application to Natural Resources</i> , Jeff Perloff <i>Microeconomic Theory with Application to Natural Resources</i> , Ethan Ligon <i>Environmental Economics</i> , David Roland-Holst	2015, 2017, 2018, 2019 2017 2016 2016
Grants, Fellowships, and Awards	2019 The Jean O. Lanjouw Memorial Endowment Grant, UC Berkeley Conference Travel Grant 2018 ARE Travel Grant, IRLE Graduate Student Research Grant (with Manaswini Rao) 2017 The Dennis J. Aigner Endowed Graduate Support Fund, Maharaj Kaul Memorial Research Travel Grant 2016 UC Berkeley Graduate Division Summer Grant Earlier Marjorie Deane Financial Journalism Foundation Studentship (LSE), Institute Merit Prize (IIT Madras), Swati/Jayalakshmi Memorial Award (IIT Madras), MITACS Globalink Scholarship (University of British Columbia)	
Talks	2021 PacDev, UC San Diego (online) 2020 WEFIDEV (online); NEUDC, Dartmouth University (online); Center on Food Security and the Environment, Stanford University 2019 Summer School in Development Economics, Prato, Italy 2017 NEUDC, Fletcher School at Tufts University; PacDev, UC Riverside	
Prior Employment	The World Bank, Development Research Group, Consultant <i>Centre de Science Humaines</i> , Research Assistant	2015 - 2019 2012 - 2014
Refereeing	Journal of Development Economics	
Languages	English (fluent), Hindi (fluent), Tamil (native), Telugu (basic)	
Activities	2018 Organizing Committee, Graduate Student Summit for Diversity in Economics 2015 - 2019 Leadership Board, Women in Economics at Berkeley 2008 Summer Reporter, The Economic Times	