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EDUCATION

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| University of Wisconsin-Madison, Ph.D., Agricultural and Applied Economics (AAE) | <i>Expected 2024</i> |
| University of Wisconsin-Madison, M.S. Economics | <i>2016-18</i> |
| University of Mumbai, India, Bachelor of Technology, Civil Engineering | <i>2004-08</i> |

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

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| Junior Scholar, Retirement and Disability Research Center (RDRC), working with Social Security Administration (SSA) | <i>2022-23</i> |
| Graduate Student, Center for Demography of Health and Aging (CDHA), and Center for Demography and Ecology(CDE) | <i>2019–</i> |
| Graduate Student, Institute of Research on Poverty (IRP) | <i>2021-2022</i> |
| Graduate Student, Center for South Asia, (CSA) | <i>2020–</i> |

RESEARCH INTEREST

Health, Aging, Social Security, Public Policy, Human Capital, Caste (Race), Gender, Agriculture, Broadband

WORKING PAPERS

Spillover Effect of a Bicycle Policy on Girls' Enrollment in Middle Schools

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

- Wage Gap between US and Foreign-Born Land Grant Scientists *with Jeremy Foltz* (presented at AAEA)
- Effect of Class Size on Student's Test Score: A Multiple Regression Discontinuity Approach (*selected at American Education Finance and Policy*)
- Effect of Early Life Exposure to Agriculture Shock on Later Life Cognitive Health of Older Adults *with Valentina Duque, Jinkook, Lee, Lauren Schmitz* (presented at APPAM)
- Effect of Early Life Exposure to Agriculture Shock on next generation's Human Capital *with Valentina Duque, Lauren Schmitz* (presented at PAA)

GRANTS AND RESEARCH FUNDING

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| RDRC - Junior Scholar Research Competition Award- \$5,000 | <i>2022-23</i> |
| Deborah and David Penn Fund - Research Presentation Award- \$500 | <i>2022</i> |
| UW-Madison Graduate School - Research Presentation Award- \$2,500 | <i>2022</i> |
| UW-Madison CDE Research Presentation Award- \$950 | <i>2022</i> |
| UW-Madison Traisman Agribusiness Graduate Fellowship - \$750 | <i>2021</i> |
| American Society of Health Economics (ASHecon) DEI- Diversity Scholarship | <i>2021</i> |
| UW-Madison Student Research Grants Competition Research Travel - \$1,500 | <i>2020</i> |
| UW Madison Graduate Student Summer Fieldwork Award- \$3,000 | <i>2019</i> |
| UW Madison Best Research Paper Scholarship - \$350 | <i>2018</i> |
| Full Bright equivalent a State Government Scholarship for Masters- \$100,000 | <i>2016-18</i> |

CONFERENCE & INVITED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

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| Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) | <i>2022</i> |
| Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management (APPAM) | <i>2022</i> |
| Population Association of America (PAA) | <i>2022</i> |

LEADERSHIP, MENTORSHIP

UW-Madison, *Mentor for two undergrad students on a class project under Prof. Foltz* Spring 2022
UW-Madison First Generation (**FirstGen**), *Mentor for one FirstGen undergrad student* 2022
UW-Madison, Agriculture and Applied Economics (AAE) *Mentor for one FirstGen undergrad student* 2022
UW-Madison First Generation (**FirstGen**), *Member* 2021–
UW-Madison CHDA NextGen Population, *Mentor for 18 students on research development* Summer 2022
UW-Madison Agriculture and Applied Economics (AAE) Faculty Hiring Committee, *Student Representative* 2022
UW-Madison Agriculture and Applied Economics (AAE) Ph.D. Admission Committee, *Student Representative* 2021
Taylor-Hibbard Club, *Athletic Chair* 2020–2022
UW-Madison AAE Economic Development Lab Group, *Member* 2019–

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Economics of Education Review, *Reviewer* 2022–
American Society for Health Economists (AshEcon), *Abstract Reviewer* 2022
Agriculture and Applied Economics (AAEA), *Abstract Reviewer* 2022
AAEA-Health Economics Section (Chair- Prof. Di Fang) *Official Twitter Handle Manager* 2022

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant to Prof. Lauren Schmitz (UW Madison, School of Public Affairs) and Prof. Valentina Duque (University of Sydney, Princeton University, American University) 2020–
Research Assistant to Prof. Jeremy Foltz and Prof. Bradford Barham (UW Madison, AAE) 2018-2020
Research Assistant to Prof. Andra Ghent (UW Madison, Wisconsin School of Business,) May-Sept (2018)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest Lecturer: **Agricultural & Economic Development of Africa (Health)**, (Instructor- Osaretin Olurotimi) UW-Madison, AAE 477 Spring 2022
Guest Lecturer: **International Studies (Gender Gap in Developing Countries)**, (Instructor- Prof. Jeremy Foltz) UW-Madison, AAE 374 Spring 2022
Guest Lecturer: **DEI-focused course- The Economics of Race and Gender** (Gender Gap in Developing Countries), (Instructor- Prof. Meghan I. Esson) Bentley University, EC 298 Spring 2022

TECHNICAL SKILLS

STATA, R(basic), Python(basic), Latex

REFERENCES

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