

# VIKAS PD GAWAI

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Wisconsin-Madison**

Ph.D., Agricultural and Applied Economics

*Expected 2024*

**University of Wisconsin-Madison**

M.S. Economics

*2016-18*

**University of Mumbai, India**

Bachelor of Technology, Civil Engineering

*2004-08*

## ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

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Graduate Student, Center for Demography of Health and Aging (CDHA)

*2019–*

Graduate Student, Institute of Research on Poverty (IRP)

*2021–*

Graduate Student, Center for South Asia

*2020–*

Junior scholar, Retirement and Disability Research Center (RDRC)

*2022*

## RESEARCH INTEREST

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Health and Aging, Social Security, Public Policy, Human Capital, Race, Gender, Agriculture

## WORKING PAPERS

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

## SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

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-Effect of Class Size on Student's Test Score: A Multiple Regression Discontinuity Approach

-Effect of Green Revolution on Later Life Health, Aging and Human Capital *with Valentina Duque and Lauren Schmitz*

-Wage Gap between US and Foreign-Born Land Grant Scientists *with Jeremy Foltz*

-Effect of Food Stamp Programs on the Occupational Mobility in the US

## GRANTS AND RESEARCH FUNDING

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AAE, UW-Madison Student Dissertation Award

*2021*

American Society of Health Economics (ASHEcon) **Diversity Scholarship**

*2021*

Student Research Grants Competition - Research Travel- UW Madison

*2020*

Graduate Student Summer Fieldwork Award- UW Madison

*2019*

**Best Research Paper Award Scholarship** -UW Madison

*2018*

## CONFERENCE & INVITED SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

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Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA)

*2022*

Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management, (APPAM)

*2022*

## LEADERSHIP, MENTORSHIP

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

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

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American Society for Health Economists (AshEcon), *Abstract Reviewer* 2022  
 Agriculture and Applied Economics (AAEA), *Abstract Reviewer* 2022  
 AAEA-Health Economics Section *Official Twitter Handle Manager* 2022

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**UW Madison: Robert M. La Follette School of Public Affairs**  
 Research Assistant to Prof. Lauren Schmitz and Prof. Valentina Duque 2020–  
**UW Madison: Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics**  
 Research Assistant to Prof. Jeremy Foltz and Prof. Bradford Barham 2018–2020  
**UW Madison: Wisconsin School of Business**  
 Research Assistant to Prof. Andra Ghent May–Sept (2018)

## REFERENCES

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### **Jeremy Foltz (advisor)**

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 University of Wisconsin-Madison  
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### **Valentina Duque**

Visiting Scholar, Princeton University, 2022–2023  
 Assistant Professor, Department of Public Administration and Policy

### **Paul Castañeda Dower**

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