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

## RESEARCH INTEREST

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

## WORKING PAPERS

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-Spillover Effects of a Bicycle Policy on Girls' Enrollment in Middle Schools  
-Early-Life Economic Conditions and Old-Age Mortality: Evidence from Historical County-Level Bank Deposit Data, *with Nohanibehambari, H, Fletcher, J, Schmitz, L, Duque*

## SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

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-Wage Gap between US and Foreign-Born Land Grant Scientists *with Jeremy Foltz* (presented at AAEA)  
-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 <b>Research Competition</b> Award- \$5,000	<i>2022-23</i>
Deborah and David Penn Fund - <b>Research Presentation</b> Award- \$500	<i>2022</i>
UW-Madison Graduate School - <b>Research Presentation</b> Award- \$2,500	<i>2022</i>
UW-Madison CDE <b>Research Presentation</b> Award- \$950	<i>2022</i>
UW-Madison Traisman Agribusiness <b>Graduate Fellowship</b> - \$750	<i>2021</i>
American Society of Health Economics (ASHEcon) <b>DEI- Diversity Scholarship</b>	<i>2021</i>
UW-Madison Student Research Grants Competition <b>Research Travel</b> - \$1,500	<i>2020</i>
UW Madison Graduate Student <b>Summer Fieldwork</b> Award- \$3,000	<i>2019</i>
UW Madison <b>Best Research Paper Scholarship</b> - \$350	<i>2018</i>
Full Bright equivalent a State Government Scholarship for Masters- \$100,000	<i>2016-18</i>

## CONFERENCE 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

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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

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Journal- Economics of Education Review, *Reviewer* 2022–  
American Society for Health Economists (AshEcon), *Abstract Reviewer* 2022  
Agriculture and Applied Economics (AAEA), *Abstract Reviewer* 2022, 2023  
AAEA-Health Economics Section (Chair- Prof. Di Fang) *Official Twitter Handle Manager* 2022

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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**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

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Guest Lecturer: **Agricultural & Economic Development of Africa (Health)**, (Instructor- Osaretin Ohurotimi) 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

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

## REFERENCES

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### Jeremy Foltz (advisor)

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