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**CV**

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Founding Director of MBA Program

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**EDUCATION**

University of California San Diego, Postdoctoral Studies, 2020-22

University of Illinois Chicago, Ph.D., Economics, 2020

London School of Economics, MSc, Management, 2015

Visvesvaraya Technological University, BE, Electronics & Communication, 2012

**FIELDS**

Development Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Economics of Education,  
Agricultural Economics

**ARTICLES**

- “Improving Public School Productivity: Evidence from Model Schools in India.” *Economics of Education Review* 97, 2023
  - *Economics of Education Review* 2023 Best Paper Award
  - *James Doti Award*, Dept. of Economics, UIC

**WORKING PAPERS**

- “Pitfalls of Government Dashboards: Experimental Evidence from India” with Advitha Arun (UC Irvine), Steven Brownstone (UC San Diego), Siddharth George (NUS), Karthik Muralidharan (UC San Diego)
- “Learning in Isolation: the Human and Social Capital Effects of Targeted Schooling Systems” with Kartik Srivastava (Harvard)
- “Measuring College Quality and its Determinants” Advait Aiyer (UPenn), Gaurav Khanna (UC San Diego), Kartik Muralidharan (UC San Diego)

**WORK IN PROGRESS**

- “Effects of Residential School Education on Senior-Secondary School Outcomes” with Torsha Chakravorty (UC San Diego), Sabareesh Ramachandran (UC San Diego)

- “Incentivising Sustainable Paddy Cultivation in India” with Nicholas Ryan (Yale), Steven Brownstone (UC San Deigo)
- “Impact of Public-Funded Residential Schools on Local School Market” with Josep Nadal (Michigan State University), Vinitha Varghese (Alma Michigan), Aditi Acharya (UC San Diego)

## **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Assistant Professor of Economics, BGS College of Engineering & Technology, 2023-present

Founding Director, MBA, BGS College of Engineering & Technology, 2023-present

Invited Researcher, Jameel Poverty Action Lab (JPAL) South Asia, 2024-present

Consultant, Centre for Effective Governance of Indian States (CEGIS), India, 2024 - Present

Postdoctoral Fellow, Jameel-Poverty Action Lab, 2022 - 2023

Faculty Affiliate, Takshashila Institution, India, 2020 - Present

Consultant, Jan Sahas, India, 2019 - 2023

Consultant, Outline India, India, 2018

Research Intern, United Nations Development Programme, India, 2018

Associate Consultant, Oracle Financial Software Services, India, 2012 - 2013

### *Teaching*

Undergraduate courses:

- Microeconomics: Theory and Applications
- The Economics of Sports
- Karnataka Economy
- Rural Economics
- Business Environment

Graduate courses:

- Economics for Decision Making (MBA)

### *Teaching Awards*

Graduate Winifred Geldard Memorial Award, 2017, 2020 Dept. of Economics, UIC

### *Invited Talks*

Research Institutions:

Indian School of Business Hyderabad (ISB), Korea Institute for International Economic Policy (KIEP), Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad, Ashoka University, Azim Premji University, National Council of Applied Economic Research (NCAER)

Conferences:

IIMC-Amitava Bose Memorial SERI Annual Workshop 2024, IIMA-RISE Research Conference on Education Economics, Western Economic Association International Annual Meeting (WEAI), Canadian Economics Association (CEA), Illinois Economics Association (IEA), Econometric Society European Winter Meeting (ESWM), Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development in Delhi (ACEGD)

*Referee*

Journals:

Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Education Economics, Economics of Education Review

**REFERENCES**

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