

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

- Ph.D. in Economics, University of Southern California, Los Angeles (USA), 2002.
- M.A. in Economics, University of Southern California, Los Angeles (USA), 2002.
- M.B.A, Indian Institute of Management, Lucknow, 1994.
- Bachelor of Technology in Computer Science, National Institute of Technology, Warangal (India), 1992.

Employment Experience

Academic Positions (Long Term):

- Associate Professor, University of Massachusetts, Boston (USA), Sep 2015 to present.
- Professor, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai (India), Feb to Aug 2015.
- Associate Professor, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai (India), Oct 2007 to Feb 2015.
- Visiting Fellow, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai (India), July to Oct 2007.
- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Dalhousie University, Halifax (Canada), Aug 2003 to Jun 2007.
- Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of California at Berkeley (USA), Spring 2003.
- Post Doctoral Researcher, Department of Political Science, University of California at Berkeley (USA), 2002-03.

Academic Positions (Short Term):

- Visiting Fellow, King's India Institute, King's College, London, May 2014.
- Visiting Scientist, Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, Mar 2014.
- Visiting Scholar, United Nations University-World Institute of Development Economics Research (Helsinki), Apr-Jun 2012.
- Erasmus Mundus Visiting Fellow, University of Bologna, Feb 2012.

Non-Academic Positions:

- Associate Consultant, Citicorp, Bangalore (India), Jun 1994-May 1995.

Academic Honors

- Associated with [International Panel on Social Progress](#) as a Lead Author.
- Nominated for the Amartya Sen award (given by the Indian Council of Social Science Research) in 2013 for distinguished social scientists.

- Nominated for best teacher award in economics at Dalhousie University in 2006.

Grants and Fellowships

- Director of a research project on growth, poverty and inequality in urban India being funded by the Indian Council of Social Science Research. No: RESPRO/31/2013-14/ICSSR/RPS, Amount: INR 44,58,562 (about USD 75,000). Duration: 2 years, starting June 2014.
- Team member for a project titled "SHRAMIC" being funded by Sir. Dorabjee Tata Trust. This project deals with research and advocacy on behalf of migrant workers in India. No: JTT/MUM/UPL/PD/Iv/IGIoDR/2011-12/0089, Amount INR 587,90,000 (about USD 980,000). Duration: 4 years, starting June 2012.
- Team member for a research project on India's political economy being funded by UK-India Education and Research Initiative (UKIERI). The other collaborators are from University of California at Berkeley and King's College London.
- Haynes Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, University of Southern California, 2000-01.
- Dissertation Merit Fellowship, University of Southern California, 1999-2000.

Research

Fields: Development Economics, Welfare Economics, Political Economy, Applied Econometrics.

Publications:

- *Edited Volumes*
 - [*Political Economy of Contemporary India*](#) (with R. Nagaraj), Cambridge University Press (forthcoming).
- *Articles in Refereed Journals*
 - "Mobility and Inequality in Neoliberal India," (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam) *Contemporary South Asia* (forthcoming).
 - "[Growth and Deprivation in India: What Does Recent Evidence Suggest on 'Inclusiveness'?](#)," (with Karthikeya Naraparaju) *Oxford Development Studies* 43 (2), 2015, pp. 145-164.
 - "[The Dissolution of Andhra Pradesh: Insights from Growth and Distribution Patterns, 1956-2010,](#)" (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam) *Economic and Political Weekly*, XLIX (21), 2014, pp. 59-70.
 - "[Polarization, Inequality and Growth: The Indian Experience,](#)" (with Nayantara Sarma), *Oxford Development Studies*, 42 (3), 2014, pp. 297-318.
 - "[The Tragedy of Identity: Reflections on Violent Social Conflict in Western Assam,](#)" (with Nayantara Sarma) *Economic and Political Weekly*, XLIX (11), 2014, pp. 45-53.
 - "[Understanding Poverty and Inequality in Urban India since Reforms: Bringing Quantitative and Qualitative Approaches Together,](#)" (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam) *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. XLVII (47-48), 2012, pp. 44-52.
 - "[Demand or Supply for Schooling in Rural India?,](#)" (with Lars Osberg) *electronic International Journal of Time Use Research*, 9 (1), 2012, pp. 1-27.

- ["Tragedy of the Commons Revisited \(I\): Granite Quarrying in Telangana,"](#) (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam, Anant Maringanti and Sujatha Surepalli) *Economic and Political Weekly*, XLVII (42), 2012, pp. 10-13.
 - ["How Close does the Apple Fall to the Tree? Some Evidence from India on Intergenerational Occupational Mobility,"](#) (with Ashish Singh) *Economic and Political Weekly*, Vol. XLVII (40), 2012, pp. 56-65.
 - ["Social Capital and Basic Goods: The Cautionary Tale of Drinking Water in India,"](#) (with Lars Osberg) *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 59 (1), 2010, pp. 63-94.
 - ["Gender Inequalities in Tasks and Instruction Opportunities Within Indian Families,"](#) (with Lars Osberg), *Feminist Economics*, 16 (3), 2010, pp. 141-67.
 - ["Interlinking and Collusion,"](#) (with James A. Robinson) *Review of Development Economics*, 14 (2), 2010, pp. 282-301.
 - ["Imagined Problems in Computing Wealth Inequalities,"](#) (with Arjun Jayadev and Vamsi Vakulabharanam) *Economic and Political Weekly*, 42 (51), 2007, pp. 69-71.
 - ["Economic and Political Inequality and the Quality of Public Goods,"](#) (with Jeffrey B. Nugent), *International Journal of Development Issues*, 6 (2), 2007, pp. 142-67.
 - ["Ethics of Microfinance and Cooperation,"](#) (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam) *Ethics and Economics*, 5 (1), 2007.
 - ["Patterns of Wealth Disparities in India During the Era of Liberalization,"](#) (with Arjun Jayadev and Vamsi Vakulabharanam) *Economic and Political Weekly*, 42 (39), 2007, pp. 3853-63.
 - "Inequality, Quality of Primary Education and Development in Latin America and the Caribbean," (with Jeffrey B. Nugent) *Well Being and Social Policy*, 3 (1), 2007, pp. 5-24.
 - ["Corporate and Cooperative Solutions for the Agrarian Crisis in Developing Countries,"](#) (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam) *Review of Radical Political Economics*, 39 (3), 2007, pp. 360-67.
 - "Attached Labor Contracts in Agriculture: Results and Analysis from a Survey in South India," *Canadian Journal of Development Studies*, 28 (1), 2007, pp. 105-24.
- *Chapters in Books*
 - "Towards Understanding Poverty in India," (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam) in Anand Akundy and R.K. Mishra (ed.) *The Indian Social Sector: Trends and Issues*, New Delhi: Academic Foundation, 2015.
 - "How Close does the Apple Fall to the Tree? Some Evidence from India on Intergenerational Occupational Mobility," (with Ashish Singh) in Pulapre Balakrishnan (ed.) ["Economic Growth and its Distribution in India"](#), Hyderabad: Orient Blackswan, 2015.
 - "Alternative Futures for Smallholder Agriculture: A Theoretical Comparison of Cooperative, Corporate and Traditional Solutions," (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam), in Bandi Kamaiah, S.V. Sessaiah and G.R.K. Murty (ed.) *Select Issues in Macroeconomics: A Quantitative Approach*, Hyderabad: IUP Publishers, 2014.
 - "Understanding Poverty and Inequality in Urban India since Reforms: Bringing Quantitative and Qualitative Approaches Together," (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam) in Pulin Nayak (ed.) ["Economic Development in India"](#), London: Routledge, 2014.
 - "Indian Inequality: Patterns and Changes, 1993-2010," (with Vamsi

- Vakulabharanam) in Mahendra Dev (ed.) [India Development Report](#), New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2012.
- "Poverty and Inequality in the Age of Economic Liberalisation," (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam) in Dilip Nachane (ed.) [India Development Report 2011](#), New Delhi: Oxford University Press, 2011.
 - "Political Economy of Agrarian Distress in India Since the 1990s," (with Vamsi Vakulabharanam) in Sanjay Ruparelia, Sanjay Reddy, John Harriss and Stuart Corbridge (eds.) [A Great Transformation? Understanding India's Political Economy](#), London: Routledge, 2011.
 - "Patterns of Wealth Disparities in India: 1991-2002," (with Arjun Jayadev and Vamsi Vakulabharanam) in Sanjay Ruparelia, Sanjay Reddy, John Harriss and Stuart Corbridge (eds.) [A Great Transformation? Understanding India's Political Economy](#), London: Routledge, 2011.
- *Book Reviews in Refereed Journals*
 - "Institutions as an Explanation for Prosperity, Poverty and Global Inequalities?" Review of: *Why Nations Fail: The Origins of Power, Prosperity and Poverty* by Daron Acemoglu and James A. Robinson, Random House, New York, in *Journal of Interdisciplinary Economics*, 25 (1-2), pp. 177-185.
 - Review of: *The Transformation of Agri-Food Systems: Globalization, Supply Chains and Smallholder Farmers*, (eds.) Ellen B. McCullough, Prabhu L. Pingali, and Kostas G. Stamoulis, FAO and Earthscan, London, in *Journal of Peasant Studies*, 40 (1), 2013, pp. 303-307.
 - Review of: *Poverty, Inequality and Population: Essays in Development and Applied Measurement* by D. Jayaraj and S. Subramanian, New Delhi: Oxford University Press in *Journal of Quantitative Economics*, 9 (2), 2011, pp. 184-88.
 - "How do we think about development planning and its impact on poverty?" *The Review of Income and Wealth*, 51 (3), 2005, pp. 469-72.
 - *Articles in Non-Refereed Journals*
 - "Growth, Poverty and Disparities in India: 1993-2013," *South Asian Journal*, 42, Oct-Dec 2013, pp. 30-39.
 - *Working Papers*
 - ["Unemployment Burden and its Distribution: Theory and Evidence from India,"](#) (with Karthikeya Naraparaju) *Working Paper No. WP-2014-341*, Society for the Study of Economic Inequality.
 - "Incomplete Contracts, Incentives and Economic Power," *Working Paper No. WP-2010-011*, Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai.
 - "Governance, Efficiency and the Firm: A Theoretical Analysis"
 - *Conference and Seminar Participation:*

Presented papers at:

 - 33rd General Conference, International Association for Research in Income and Wealth, Rotterdam, 2014.
 - Seminar at the Kings India Institute, Kings College, London, 2014.
 - Seminar at the Indian Statistical Institute, Bangalore, 2014.
 - Silver Jubilee Conference in Human Development, IGIDR, 2013.

- Annual meeting of the Human Development and Capabilities Association (HDCA), 2013 (Managua) and 2012 (Jakarta).
- Workshop on the Political Economy of India, Kings India Institute, Kings College, London, 2013.
- Birth Centenary Conference of P. Sundarayya, Sundarayya Vignana Kendram, Hyderabad, 2013.
- "The Indian Economy: A Longer and Broader View," Conference organized at the Nehru Memorial Museum and Library, New Delhi, 2012.
- Fourth meeting of the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (ECINEQ), University of Catania (Italy), 2011.
- Conference on Methods and Models in Economics, Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata, 2011.
- Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, Indian Statistical Institute, Planning Unit, New Delhi, 2008, 2009 and 2010.
- Conference on Economic Theory, Markets and Governance, Jawahar Lal Nehru University, New Delhi, 2010.
- Far Eastern and South Asian Meetings of the Econometric Society, Tokyo, 2009.
- Workshop on Time Use, Poverty and Public Policy held at American University, Washington D.C., 2009.
- Workshop on Instruments for Water Resource Management held at Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai, January 2009.
- The Indian Econometric Society Annual Meetings, Hyderabad, 2008.
- International Consortium of Asian Scholars Conference, Kuala Lumpur, 2007.
- Seminar on *Towards Mainstreaming Time Use Surveys in National Statistical System in India*, organized by the Government of India, UNDP and Centre for Development Alternatives, Ahmedabad (India), May 2007.
- Northeast Universities Development Consortium Conference, 2005 (Brown University), 2003 (Yale University) and 1999 (Harvard University).
- Western Economics Association Annual Meetings, San Francisco (USA), 2005.
- Canadian Economics Association Annual Meetings, 2013 (Montreal), 2009 (Toronto), 2007 (Halifax), 2006 (Montreal), 2005 (Hamilton).
- Eastern Economics Association Annual Meetings, New York (USA), 2005.
- Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin at Madison (USA), 2002 and 1999.
- Seminar in the Department of Economics, Dalhousie University, Halifax (Canada), 2013, 2006 and 2005.
- Seminar in Development, University of California at Berkeley (USA), 2002.
- Michael and Cecile Birnkrant Development Seminar, University of Southern California, 2001 and 1999.
- Indian Political Economy Association Meetings, Darjeeling, 2000.

Served as a discussant at:

- 33rd General Conference, International Association for Research in Income and Wealth, Rotterdam, 2014.
- 10th Anniversary Conference on Agrarian Issues, Kochi, 2014.
- International Growth Centre, Bihar Growth Conference, Patna, 2013.
- Canadian Economics Association Annual Meetings, 2009 (Toronto), 2007 (Halifax), 2006 (Montreal).
- Atlantic Canada Economic Association Annual Meetings, 2005 (Halifax).
- Northeast Universities Development Consortium Conference, 2005.
- Western Economics Association Annual Meetings, San Francisco, 2005.

- Eastern Economics Association Annual Meetings, New York, 2005.
- American Economic Association Annual Meetings, Washington DC, 2003.

Teaching

- *Graduate Courses:*
 - *Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research:* Theories and Behavior of the Firm, Microeconomic Theory, Development Economics, Research Methodology
 - *Tata Institute of Social Sciences:* Political Economy of International Trade (joint with two others)
 - *Dalhousie University:* Applied Development Economics
 - *University of Southern California:* Preparatory course in Math Methods (Ph.D.)
- *Undergraduate Courses:*
 - *University of Massachusetts, Boston:* International Trade, Economic Development.
 - *Dalhousie University:* Honors Seminar, Theories of Development, Econometrics, Intermediate Microeconomics and Indian society: Change and Continuity (in International Development Studies, two lectures each in 2004, 2005 and 2006).
 - *University of California at Berkeley:* Case Studies in Development (focus on South Asia).

Thesis Supervision

- Dalhousie University: 8 (Master of Development Economics), 4 (MA in Economics)
- IGIDR (includes current supervision, chair/committee member): 3 (M.Phil.), 10 (Ph.D.), 4 (M.Sc.), 4 (European Masters in Law and Economics).

Service

- Dalhousie University
 - Member of several committees, including faculty recruitment and curriculum committee.
- IGIDR
 - Member of Executive Committee and several committees. Seminar Coordinator.
 - Member of the committee that organized the silver jubilee conference on human development (2013) and the annual conference on Money and Finance in the Indian Economy (2008).
 - Associated with Erasmus Mundus European Masters in Law and Economics program, involving seven European Universities, University of Haifa (Israel) and IGIDR.
 - Associated with UC Berkeley-IGIDR-King's College collaborative project on Political Economy of India.
- University of Massachusetts, Boston
 - Department Personnel Committee.
- Economics profession
 - Helped organize development economics sessions at the Canadian Economics Association annual meetings in Halifax, 2007.
 - Helping organize a session at the general meetings of the International Association for Research in Income and Wealth (IARIW), Dresden 2016.

- Life member of the Indian Econometric Society.
- Regular contributor to the summer school on Indian development organized by the Institute for New Economic Thinking (INET) in Bangalore.
- Provided service to other Indian academic institutions – through guest lectures, as an external thesis examiner and through help in design of courses.
- Acted as an article editor for *Sage Open*, a peer-reviewed journal published by the Sage University Press.
- Acted as a referee for Oxford University Press, Sage University Press and the following journals: *Canadian Journal of Economics*, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *Journal of Quantitative Economics*, *Artha Vijnana*, *Investigacion Economica*, *Journal of Human Development and Capabilities*, *Journal of Emerging Markets and Finance*, *Economic and Political Weekly*, *Journal of Globalization and Development*, *European Journal of Development Research*, *Journal of Interdisciplinary Economics*, *Review of Agrarian Studies*, *Journal of Development Studies*, *World Development*, *Social Indicators Research*.