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<b>PRE-DOCTORAL STUDIES:</b>	<b>DEGREE:</b>	<b>DATE:</b>	<b>FIELD:</b>
University of Michigan-Ann Arbor	M.P.P.	2013	Public Policy Analysis
University of Michigan-Ann Arbor	M.A.	2013	Applied Economics
Institute of Rural Management (India)	PGP	2009	Rural Development
Nagpur University (India)	B.E.	2006	Electronics Engineering

### AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST:

Agricultural and Food Policy, Economic Development, Food Security, Health and Nutrition

### FIELDS OF CONCENTRATION:

Development Economics, Applied Econometrics, Microeconomic Theory and Behavioral Economics

### WORKING PAPERS:

"Learning by Doing: Subsidizing Technology in the Short-Run to Promote Adoption in the Long-Run " (**Job Market Paper**)  
"Choosing Plan B over Plan A: Risk Compensation Theory and Contraceptive Choice in India" with Mary Arends-Kuenning and Hemant Pullabhotla. (Revise and resubmit in **Demography**).  
"Can Information Drive Investment in Health? Evidence from a Field Experiment in India" with co-authors Kathy Baylis, Hemant Pullabhotla and Gowthami Venkateswaran

### RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

"The Domino's Effect: Impact of Fast Food Chains on Urban Health in India" with Gowthami Venkateswaran  
"Aggregate Income Shocks, Agricultural Production and Resilience: Case of Demonetization in India" with Kathy Baylis  
"Labor Shocks and Agricultural Production: Evidence from Historical Indentured Labor Movement in the British Colonies" with Hemant Pullabhotla  
"Growing Conflict: An Instrumental Variable Approach to Understanding Conflict in Areas under High-Value Crops"  
"Cost of Culture in Agriculture: Reliance on Traditional Practices vs Extension Information" with Kathy Baylis and Hemant Pullabhotla

### SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS:

2018-2019 ADM Institute Postharvest Loss Prevention Scholar  
2015-2016 Dissertation Research Travel Grant  
2013-2014 Dorothy Fay Dunn and Leah Dunn Linse Fellowship  
2012-2013 Rackham Graduate Research Grant  
2012-2013 Staebler Fellowship  
2012-2013 William Davidson Institute Fellowship  
2011-2012 Sir Ratan Tata Trust Fellowship  
2011-2013 Ford-Riecker Fellowship  
(etc.)

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

Graduate Student Instructor for ACE 251 World Food Economy at UIUC for Professor Alex Winter-Nelson. Fall 2015, Spring 2015 and Spring 2014. (Student evaluation scores: 4.7, 4.6 and 4.1 out of 5 respectively)  
Graduate Student Instructor for ACE 454 Economic Development of Tropical Africa at UIUC for Professor Allen-Smith. Fall 2014.

**RELEVANT POSITIONS:**

2014-2018. Research assistant at UIUC for Kathy Baylis. ADM Institute Project on Postharvest Loss Management.  
2015. Consultant, International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Italy.  
2012. Research assistant at School of Education, University of Michigan-Ann Arbor.  
2012. Research assistant for Dean Yang at Innovations for Poverty Action, Philippines.  
2009-2011. Team Leader for Tribal Development Department at the state government of Gujarat (India) and Consultant for UNICEF India.  
2005-2007. Primary and middle school teacher, B.P.S. Public School, Lakhimpur Kheri, India.

**CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS:**

Sustainability and Development Conference, Ann Arbor, MI. (Nov. 2018)  
Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting, Washington DC. (Aug. 2018)  
30th International Conference of Agricultural Economists (ICAE), Vancouver, BC. (Aug. 2018)  
Midwest Economic Association (MEA) Annual Meeting, Evanston, IL. (Mar. 2018)  
Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. (Jul. 2017)  
RSAI 10th Annual Applied Economics & Regional Science (AERS) Annual Meeting, Columbus, OH. (Apr. 2017)  
10th annual Future of Food and Nutrition Conference, Boston, MA. (Apr. 2017)  
Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. (Apr. 2017)  
1st International Conference on Postharvest Loss Prevention, Rome, Italy. (Oct. 2015)

**OTHER INFORMATION:**

Affiliations: American Economic Association, Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, International Association of Agricultural Economists, Population Association of America, Midwest Economic Association  
Languages: English (fluent), Hindi (fluent), Urdu (fluent), Gujarati (basic), Marathi (basic)  
Software Proficiency: STATA, R, SPSS, SAS, ArcGIS, GeoDa, MATLAB (basic)

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