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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- 1996 Ph.D. Department of Economics, *University of Pennsylvania*, Philadelphia, Pa.
Dissertation: *Formal and Informal Credit Markets: A Theoretical and Empirical Analysis*
Committee: Mark Rosenzweig (chair), Andrew Foster, Gary Gorton, Stephen Morris
Fields: *Development Economics* and *International Economics*
- 1988 B.A. Departments of Economics and Mathematics, *Bucknell University*, Lewisburg, Pa.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2025-2018, Money, Banking, and Financial Markets, Masters Level, Econ 612.
- 2025-2015 International Economic Development, Intermediate Undergraduate, Econ 330.
- 2025-2019, Economics of Microfinance, Advanced Undergraduate, ECON 416.
- 2025-2020 Microeconomic Theory, ECON 323.
- 2025-2024 Economics of Microfinance, Master's Level, ECON 614.
- 2016-2012 Economics of Microfinance and Banking, Masters Level, ECON 689.
- 2014 Introduction to Econometrics, Undergraduate, ECON
- 2013,2011 Introduction to Microeconomics, Undergraduate, ECON 202
Public Policy School (Bush), Texas A & M University
- 2007 Capstone Supervisor for Client: Grameen Capital India,
Scaling Up Microfinance in India: A Case Study of the Community Reinvestment Fund
- 2007 Advanced Economics of Development, (spring 2007)
- 2007-2004 Economics of Development, (fall 2004 – fall 2007)

Centre for Microfinance, Institute for Financial Management Research (IFMR)

2009 Economics of Microfinance, MBA.

2009, Economics of Microfinance, Intensive courses for practitioners.

2006-2005

Department of Economics, Saint Louis University

2004-1996 Managerial Economics, MBA.

2004-1996 Managerial Economics, Intermediate Undergraduate.

2004-1996 International Economic Development, Advanced Undergraduate

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Present-2017 Instructional Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Texas A & M University

2020-2017 Graduate Student Teacher Trainer, Department of Economics, Texas A & M University

2017-2011 Instructional Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Texas A & M University

2011-2008 Visiting Professor, Centre for Microfinance, IFMR, Chennai, India

2011-2008 Assistant Research Scientist, Department of Economics, Texas A & M University

2007-2004 Lecturer, Texas A & M University Public Policy School (Bush)

2004-1995 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Saint Louis University

1996-1993 Consultant for Macroeconomic Analysis, IHS Global Insight (then WEFA)

1992 Summer Intern, The World Bank

**Mentored Students (Name, Current Position if known, Degree after Undergraduate)
(Most recent first, references as advisor available upon request)**

Undergraduate (latest at beginning)

Ashley Benedict, 5 year program at Bush School

Emma Jacob, Master's in Economics at New York University

Kamiar Kordi, Georgetown Master's in International Public Policy

Emilio Martinez, Master's in International Relations at New York University

Brendan Ok. UT Austin – Master's in Economics

Maria Christina Ntova, Master's Program in Development

Chloe Chong, UT Austin – Master's in Economics, Private Equity Analyst at LP

Madison Poe, MSc candidate in Global Governance and Diplomacy, University of Oxford,

Consultant, Emergencies & Transitions at the World Food Programme ,Rome, Italy

Maha Hussein, J.D. Candidate at Harvard Law School.

Diego Lavado, M.Phil Candidate in Development, Oxford University.

Chris Oleska, Master's Candidate in International Development, Johns Hopkins University.
 Ian Wallace, process of applying to Law Schools
 Blade Angel, J.D. Candidate, University of Texas at Austin.
 Soledad Artiz, Ph.D. Political Economy, Harvard University, Assistant Professor, Political Economy, Stanford University.
 Andrea Batarse, Sustainable Development Designer, Masters in Architecture, Texas A & M University.
 Tyler Beerley, Peace Corps in Senegal, applying for Master's in International Development.
 Juan Carlos Cuestas, Accenture, Houston, applying for Law Schools
 Clayton Cromer, Corporate Associate, Latham & Watkins, J.D., University of Chicago.
 Soheil Ebadhat, General Counsel, Redbud Brands, J.D., University of Chicago.
 Alfredo Garcia, Ph.D. candidate, Harvard Divinity School.
 Devita Gunawan, Masters in Economics at Lund University, Sweden.
 McKenzie Horowitz, USAID, Master's in International Development, Johns Hopkins University.
 Annabelle Hutchinson, Ph.D. candidate, Political Science, Yale University.
 Miranda Lambert, Ph.D. candidate in Economics, Texas A&M University, Masters in International Development at University of San Francisco.
 Juan Pablo Lopez, Senior Associate, Bailey Duquette P.C. J.D., New York University.
 Alex Masucci, Amazon economics, Ph.D., Economics, University of California, San Diego.
 Rebecca Mentzer, Holt Foundation.
 Katelyn Moore, Masters in National Security, Bush School.
 Tianqi Mu, Vice President, Global Marketing at TIYA, Masters in Marketing, Mays School of Business.
 Miguel Novoa, Ph.D candidate in History, University of California, Davis.
 Katie Pogue, Manager, Corporate Strategy and Green Fuels, Master's in International Development, Johns Hopkins University.
 Fredrick Purifoy, Ph.D. Candidate, Economics, University of Utah.
 Russel Roark, M.D., UTMB Medical School.
 Cesia Sanchez, Ph.D candidate in Economics, University of California, Berkeley.
 Youssef Seoudi, Technical Account Manager, Amazon Web Services, Undergraduate Scholar Supervisor, Winner Best Paper (2015), Data Analysis Company in Austin.
 Dane Warren, Attorney, Sive, Paget, & Riesel, J.D., Columbia University.
 Zhiyeng Zeng, Microsoft, Master's in Computer Science, Texas A&M University.
 Bin Zhao, Ph.D. candidate, Economics, Cornell University.

Graduate

Li Wei, Department of Agricultural Economics, Texas A & M University
 Gihong Baek, applying to Ph.D. programs in Economics
 Kristine Canales, Ph.D. Candidate in Public Policy, University of North Carolina-Charlotte.
 Prashik Gajbhiye, Ph.D. Candidate, Environmental Economics, University of Massachusetts at Amherst.
 Bachir Kassas, Assistant Professor, Dept. of Food and Resource Economics, University of Florida.
 Piruz Saboury, Instructional Professor, University of Houston.
 Ze Shen, Assistant Professor, International Business School in China, Ph.D. in Agricultural Economics, Texas A & M University.

PUBLICATIONS

For the General Public

Wallet Hub
Moneygeek

Academic

- 2014 “Evaluating the Impact of Training on Indian Self Help Groups,” (joint with Ranjula Bali Swain), *European Journal of Development Research*, October 2014.
- 2013 “Delivery Mechanisms for Microfinance Training in Indian Self Help Groups,” (joint with Ranjula Bali Swain), *Journal of International Development*, January 2013.
- 2011 “Reassessing the Impact of SHG Participation with Non-experimental Approaches,” (joint with Ranjula Bali Swain), *Economic and Political Weekly*, March 12, 2011.
- 2009 Does Self Help Group Participation Lead to Asset Creation ?” (joint with Ranjula Bali Swain), *World Development*, October 2009.
- 2005 Bank-Moneylender Linkages as an Alternative to Bank Competition in Rural Credit Markets, *Oxford Economic Papers*, April 2005.

In Preparation

Present-2023 *Contemporary Economic Development* (Cognella Press)

- 2015 “Impact Evaluation Methods under Non Random Treatment Heterogeneity,” (joint with Piruz Saboury).
- 2015 “The Effectiveness of Randomized Controlled Trials in Assessing Impact in Development Studies” (joint with Kristine Canales).
- 2013 “Partial Repayments in Rural Credit Markets,” (joint with Piruz Saboury).
- 2013 “Correspondents as Screeners,” (joint with Priyanka Sharma).
- 2012 “Evaluating Bank-Correspondent Linkages.”
- 2012 “Bank-Moneylender Credit Linkages: Theory and Practice.”

Other Publications

- 2012 “Enduring Essay: Microfinance Helps Some of the Poor in Developing Countries, especially with Supporting Institutions,” World Geography Database, *ABC-Clio Online Encyclopedia*.
- 2006 *Study Guide and Instructor’s Manual to Economics of Development*, Sixth Edition, by Perkins, Radelet, and Lindauer.

- 2002 Review of Marguerite Robinson, *The Microfinance Revolution: Sustainable Finance for the Poor*, *Journal of Asian Economics*, February 2002.
- 2001 Review of Aminur Rahman, *Women and Microcredit in Rural Bangladesh*, *American Anthropologist*, March 2001.

CONFERENCE ACTIVITY

Conferences and Papers

- 2013 “Correspondents as Screeners,” European Microfinance Conference, Kristiansand, Norway
- 2012 “Evaluating the Impact of Training on Self Help Groups,” Pacific Conference of Development Economics, University of California, Davis.
- 2005 “Can Moneylenders Link with Banks ?” Pacific Conference of Development Economics, University of San Francisco.
- 2003 “Bank-Moneylender Credit Linkages: A Critical Analysis,” Midwest Economics Meetings, Saint Louis, MO.
- 1996 “Formal-Informal Credit Interactions” Western Economics Association Conference, San Francisco, CA.

Panels Organized

- 2003 “Microeconomics of Development,” Eastern Economics Association Conference, New York.
- 2002 “Microeconomics of Development,” American Economics Association Meetings, Atlanta.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

To Profession

Reviewer

Journal of Development Economics, World Development, Oxford Economics Papers, CUNY Grant, European Journal of Development Research, Journal of Development Studies, Southern Economic Journal

Economics Advanced Placement Colloquium, The College Board, May 2014.

To Departments

Undergraduate Instruction Committee, Department of Economics, Texas A & M University.

Faculty Liaison for Masters Program in Financial Economics at Department of Economics, Texas A & M University.

Faculty Liaison for International Economics & Development Track at Texas A & M University Public Policy School (Bush).

For Students

Advising

Faculty Advisor for Texas A & M Global Legal Empowerment

Faculty Advisor for Texas A & M Microfinance Club Undergraduate (Texas A & M International Economic Development Coalition).

Evaluator of Masters Students Capstones.

Faculty Facilitator for three students with Microfinance Internships (India and South Africa)

Dissertation Committee, Usha Somasundaram, Ricardo Lozano, and Shawna Turner (Education), Luis Estevez (Urban Planning).

LANGUAGES

English & Italian: Fluent

Spanish, French, & Malayalam: Beginner

AWARDS

2025 A&M University	Best Instructor of the Year, Master's Program, Dept. of Economics, Texas
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2014, 2012	Best Instructor of the Year, Department of Economics, Texas A & M University
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2013	International Travel Grant, College of Liberal Arts, Texas A & M University.
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2010	SITE Grant Recipient, Uppsala University, Sweden.
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2005	International Travel Grant Recipient, Project on Credit Markets in India
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2002-2005	Who's Who Among America's Teachers
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