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Academic Positions and Affiliations

Class of 1966 Associate Professor of Economics, Wellesley College, September 2023-present
Associate Professor of Economics, Wellesley College, September 2022-August 2023
Assistant Professor of Economics, Wellesley College, July 2013-August 2022
Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research, April 2022-present
Fellow, Energy for Growth Hub, August 2021-present
Invited Researcher, J-PAL King Climate Action Initiative (K-CAI), April 2021-present
Research Affiliate, International Growth Centre, May 2016-present
Fellow, Center for Development Economics and Policy, Columbia University, March 2014-August 2022

Education

Columbia University, Ph.D. in Economics, 2013
Dissertation: Essays on Firm Behavior in Developing Economies
Wellesley College, B.A. in Economics and Physics, *summa cum laude*, 2004

Publications

“Democracy and Firm Productivity: Evidence from Indonesia” With Prabhat Barnwal, Ritam Chaurey and Priya Mukherjee. *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 105(3): 713-722, May 2023.

“Intranational Trade Costs, Product Scope and Productivity: Evidence from India’s Golden Quadrilateral Project” With Mary Chen. *Journal of Development Economics*, 156(2022): 102791, May 2022.

“Productivity Losses and Firm Responses to Electricity Shortages: Evidence from Ghana” With Charles Ackah and Patrick Asuming. *World Bank Economic Review*, 35(1): 1-18, February 2021.

“The Effect of Electricity Shortages on Firm Investment: Evidence from Ghana” *Journal of African Economies*, 29(1): 46-62, January 2020.

“An Unintended Consequence of Place-Based Policies: A Fall in Informality” With Ritam Chaurey. *Economics Letters*, 176(2019), 23-27, March 2019.

“Electricity Cost and Firm Performance: Evidence from India” *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 99(5): 839-852, December 2017.

“Improving Reading Skills by Encouraging Children to Read in School: A Randomized Evaluation of the Sa Aklat Sisikat Reading Program in the Philippines” With Todd Kumler and Leigh Linden. *Journal of Human Resources*, 49(3): 611-633, Summer 2014.

Work in Progress

“Place-Based Policies and Migration” With Ritam Chaurey and Radhika Menon.

“Training and Entrepreneurship: Evidence from Ghana” With Patrick Asuming and Ritam Chaurey.

“Input Tariff Reductions, Imported Inputs and Exporting Activity”

“Input Tariff Liberalization and Consumer Prices”

Other Work Experience

2009-2010	Consultant, World Trade Indicators, The World Bank
2006-2007	Associate, CRA International, Finance Group
2004-2006	Analyst, Lehman Brothers, Investment Banking, Financial Institutions Group

Honors and Awards

2024	Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries Grant for “Training and Entrepreneurship: Evidence from Ghana” with Patrick Asuming and Ritam Chaurey (£40,000)
2023	World Bank Economic Review Excellence in Refereeing Award
2023	Wellesley College, Anna and Samuel Pinanski Prize for Excellence in Teaching
2021, 2023	Wellesley College, Faculty Research Award
2017	Wellesley College, Social Science Summer Research Program
2016	International Growth Centre Grant for “Analyzing the Extent and Sources of Productivity Losses from Electricity Shortages for Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises” with Charles Ackah and Patrick Asuming (£50,226)
2007-2013	Faculty Fellowship, Columbia University
2009-2012	Summer Fellowship, Columbia University
2009	Wueller Award for Teaching Excellence, Columbia University
2007	Margaret Freeman Bowers Fellowship, Wellesley College
2004	Phyllis J. Fleming Award for Excellence in Physics, Wellesley College
2003	Phi Beta Kappa (elected in junior year), Wellesley College

Professional Activities

Conference and Seminar Presentations:

2023-2024:	Howard University, Columbia University (scheduled), Union College (scheduled), Liberal Arts Colleges Development Economics Conference (discussant)
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- 2022-2023: Boston University, Tufts University, Workshop on Gendered Effects of Globalization and Development at Columbia (discussant)
- 2021-2022: IIT Bombay, Brookings, Amherst College, Georgetown University SFS, UK Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO), World Bank Africa Economic Seminar Series (discussant)
- 2020-2021: Liberal Arts Colleges Development Economics Seminar, NEUDC Annual Conference (session chair), University of Michigan, University of Connecticut, MIT Sloan
- 2019-2020: Entrepreneurship and Private Enterprise Development (EPED) in Emerging Economies Workshop (MIT), Liberal Arts Colleges Development Economics Conference, Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting
- 2018-2019: University of Oxford, George Washington University, Vassar College
- 2017-2018: American Economic Association Annual Meeting (session chair and discussant), Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting (session chair and presenter), Institutions, Trade and Economic Development Network (InsTED) Workshop at Syracuse University
- 2016-2017: Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Entrepreneurship and Private Enterprise Development (EPED) in Emerging Economies Workshop (NYU)
- 2014-2015: Western Economic Association International Annual Conference
- 2013-2014: IZA Workshop on Labor Market Effects of Environmental Policies, Liberal Arts Colleges Development Economics Conference, CSWEP Regional Mentoring (CeMENT) Workshop
- 2012-2013: Barnard College, CSAE Annual Conference, Georgetown University SFS, Georgetown University SFS-Qatar, Middlebury College, NEUDC Annual Conference, Occidental College, Smith College, University of Arkansas, University of Delaware, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, University of Notre Dame, Wellesley College

Professional Service:

Referee: *American Economic Review, American Economic Review: Insights, Economics of Education Review, Energy Economics, Journal of African Economies, Journal of Asian Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Education, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of Human Resources, Oxford Development Studies, Applied Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics,*

Review of World Economics, Science, World Bank Economic Review, World Development, Cambridge University Press, National Science Foundation

Other Service:

Scientific Committee (Association for Mentoring and Inclusion in Economics (AMIE)

Applied Workshop in Microeconomics 2021, NEUDC 2020, 2021, 2022)

Organizer (Liberal Arts Colleges Development Economics Conference 2022)

Mentor (AEA-CSMGEP, AMIE, Boston University Women in Economics Mentoring Workshop, World Bank/Association for the Advancement of African Women Economists)

External Honors Examiner in Development Economics 2023, Swarthmore College

Wellesley College Service: Faculty Advisor, Mastercard Foundation Scholars 2019-2023;

Faculty Director, Summer Case Fellows Program 2023-present