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EDUCATION

Ph.D. candidate, Economics, Cornell University, 2001-present
Fields of specialization: Development Economics, Labor Economics, and Public Policy Analysis

B.A. (with honors), Economics, Grinnell College, 1993-1997
Interdisciplinary concentration in Global Development Studies

AWARDS AND HONORS

Howard and Abby Milstein Teaching Assistantship Award, 2004-2005
In recognition of teaching excellence for the Department of Economics

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor, Cornell University

School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Department of Labor Economics
Economics of Wages and Employment, Spring 2005

Teaching Assistant, Cornell University

College of Human Ecology, Department of Policy Analysis and Management
Introduction to Statistics, Fall 2004
School of Industrial and Labor Relations, Department of Labor Economics
Economic Security, Spring 2003, Spring 2004
Economics of Wages and Employment, Spring 2002
Labor Economics (Masters), Fall 2001, Fall 2002
College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Economics
Intermediate Microeconomics, Summer 2002, Fall 2003

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Extended Term Consultant, World Bank, September 2005-present

Currently working for the Labor Markets Team, Social Protection Unit (HDNSP).

Consultant, World Bank, Summer 2004

Worked for the South Asia Sector (SAS).

Main assignment: detailed review of the major data sources on the disabled population in India.

Research Assistant, Cornell University, Summer 2003

Worked for Professor Robert Hutchens, Department of Labor Economics.

Main tasks: literature review of the determinants of the provision of family-friendly benefit programs and policies by employers; empirical analysis of the labor market experiences of older workers during periods of workforce expansion and reduction by firms in the United States.

Consultant (Research Assistant), World Bank, 1998-2001

Worked for the Labor Markets Team, Social Protection Unit (HDNSP).

Main tasks: cataloging of World Bank-financed active labor market projects; evaluation of World Bank-financed vocational education and training projects; review of the informal sector in developing countries; review of the structure and performance of unemployment benefit programs in developing countries.

Research Assistant, Abt Associates, 1997-1998

Worked for Housing and Community Revitalization (HCR).

Main tasks: impact and cost-benefit evaluations of two large-scale social experiments: strategies to promote continuing education and training among adults and the provision of intensive labor market integration services for people with disabilities.

Research Fellow, Ford Foundation Bridging Project, 1996-1997

Main output: Cost-benefit analysis, including sensitivity and scenario analysis, of the Sardar Sarovar scheme, the main component of the Narmada water resources infrastructure development project, Gujarat and Madhya Pradesh, India.

PAPERS

[“Unemployment Benefit Systems in Central and Eastern Europe: A Review of the 1990s”](#) (with M. Vodopivec and A. Wörgötter), *Comparative Economic Studies* 47(4), December 2005: 615-651.

[“Effectiveness of Lending for Vocational Education and Training: Lessons from World Bank Experience”](#) (with S. Canagarajah, A. Dar, and R. Nording), World Bank Social Protection Discussion Paper No. 0222, September 2002.

[“Income Support Systems for the Unemployed: Issues and Options”](#) (with M. Vodopivec), World Bank Social Protection Discussion Paper No. 0214, March 2002.

[“The Informal Sector Revisited: A Synthesis across Space and Time”](#) (with N. Blunch and S. Canagarajah), World Bank Social Protection Discussion Paper No. 0119, July 2001.

“The Lifelong Learning Demonstration: Interim Report” (with L. Buron, L. Orr, and T. Thompson), U.S. Department of Labor, Employment and Training Administration, 1998.

“Worker Benefits,” Forthcoming, In Kaushik Basu, ed. Oxford Companion to Economics in India. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.

WORKING PAPERS

“The effects of child work: A review,” June 2006.

“The effects of conditional cash transfer programs on child work: A critical review and analysis of the evidence,” May 2006.

“Child labor across the developing world: Patterns, correlates, and determinants” (with Jean Fares), March 2006.

“Do wages compensate for harmful child labor? Parametric and semi-parametric evidence from the Philippines,” June 2005.

“Banning harmful child labor: A labor market and welfare analysis,” April 2005.

“The determinants of the incidence and magnitude of dowries: Evidence from rural Assam” (with Ruchira Bhattamishra), May 2004.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

Indian Statistical Institute-Kolkata (2005)

NEUDC 2005, Brown University (2005)

IZA/World Bank Conference on Development and Employment (2006)

STATISTICAL AND MATHEMATICAL COMPUTING SKILLS

Stata, SAS, Minitab, Matlab and Excel.