

Curriculum Vitae

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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

2018 Southern Methodist University, Ph.D., Economics
Dissertation: "Empirical Essays on Corruption"
2012 Southern Methodist University, M.A., Economics
2009 University of Calcutta, India, M.Sc., Economics (First Class)
2007 University of Calcutta, India, B.Sc., Economics (First Class Honors)

EMPLOYMENT

Sept 2024 – present Associate Professor of Economics (with tenure), Midwestern State University
Aug 2020 – Aug 2024 Assistant Professor of Economics, Midwestern State University
Aug 2018 – July 2020 Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Saint Xavier University

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Applied Econometrics, Political Economy, Development, Consumer Food Behavior

JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

1. "The Causal Effect of Regulation on Income Inequality across the U.S. States," *European Journal of Political Economy*, December 2023, 80, 102471.
2. "Nonrandom Selection into Entrepreneurship in the Realm of Government Decentralization and Corruption," *European Journal of Political Economy*, June 2023, 78, 102377.
3. "Regulation and Corruption: Evidence from the United States," *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*, 2021, 83, 0305-9049.
4. "WTO Membership and Corruption," *European Journal of Political Economy*, December 2019, 60, 101806.
5. "Governmental Decentralization and Corruption Revisited: Accounting for Potential Endogeneity," *Economics Letters*, 2015, 136, 218-222.

WORKING PAPER

1. "Divided Government and Regulatory Constraints in the U.S."

WORK IN PROGRESS

1. "Does Income Inequality Breed Bureaucratic Corruption among the U.S. States?"
2. "Consumers' Food Waste Behavior in the United States," with Valerie Kilders (Purdue University).

NON-ACADEMIC/MEDIA WRITING

1. "Educational Attainment in Wichita Falls – A Comparative Assessment," with John Martinez, *Wichita Falls Times Record News*, Opinion Piece, February 4, 2024.
2. "Personal Income Grew During COVID," with John Martinez, *Wichita Falls Times Record News*, Front Page Article, March 29, 2022.
3. "Government Transfer Payments Saved Local Economy from Recession," with John Martinez, *Wichita Falls Times Record News*, Opinion Piece, December 12, 2021.

CONFERENCE & SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

2026: 6th SMU Economics Ph.D. Alumni Conference (invited), virtual, January 17

2025: 62nd Annual Meeting of Public Choice Society, Louisville, KY, March 6 – 8
(also, session discussant: "Empirical Political Economy")
36th Annual Teaching Economics Conference, Robert Morris University, Pittsburgh, PA (virtual attendee only), February 21
Texas Economic Outlook 2025, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, TX (virtual attendee only), February 7

2024: Department of Economics Seminar, Jadavpur University, India, August 8 (canceled by JU due to unforeseen reasons)
Symposium on World Economics, Finance and Business (invited), Singapore (virtual talk), July 24 – 26
99th Annual Western Economic Association International Conference, Virtual Day, June 27
(also, session organizer, chair, and discussant: "Law and Economics: Empirical Studies")
Association of Private Enterprise Education Conference (invited), Las Vegas, NV, April 7 – 9

2023: 3rd SMU Economics Ph.D. Alumni Conference, virtual, January 12 – 13

2022: 92nd Annual Southern Economic Association Conference, Fort Lauderdale, FL, November 19 – 21
(also, session co-organizer, co-chair, and discussant with Anne Byrne, USDA: "Consumer Food Decision Making"; session chair and discussant: "Markets and Estimation")
Australasia Meeting of the Econometric Society, The University of Queensland, Australia (virtual), July 6 – 8
(also, session chair: "Evaluating Policy Measures")
97th Annual Western Economic Association International Conference, Portland, June 29 – July 3
(also, session organizer, chair, and discussant: "Law and Economics in the U.S.: Empirical Studies")
2nd SMU Economics Ph.D. Alumni Conference (invited), virtual, January 13 – 14

2021: 91st Annual Southern Economic Association Conference, Houston, TX, November 20-22
Western Economic Association International, International Conference (virtual), March 17 – 21
(also, session host and discussant: "Econometric Applications 1")

2020: American Economic Association Annual Meeting (poster), San Diego, January 3 – 5

2019: 89th Annual Southern Economic Association Conference, Fort Lauderdale, November 23 – 25
Dillard College of Business Administration, Midwestern State University Texas, November 14
Saint Xavier University Research Expo (poster), SXU, Chicago, March 5

2018: STATA Conference, Columbus, Ohio, July 19 – 20
North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society, Davis, California, June 21 – 24
Saint Xavier University, Graham School of Management, Chicago, Illinois, April 24

2017: 87th Annual Southern Economic Association Conference, Tampa, November 17 – 19
Brown Bag Seminar, Department of Economics, SMU, October 4
Stata Texas Empirical Micro Conference (poster), University of Texas, Austin, September 15 - 16

92nd Annual Western Economic Association International Conference, San Diego, June 25 – 29,
(also, discussant: “Multiple or Simultaneous Equation Models”)

2016: 86th Annual Southern Economic Association Conference, Washington, DC, November 19 – 21
91st Annual Western Economic Association International Conference, Portland, June 29 – July 3
(also, discussant: “Mathematical and Quantitative Methods”)
Graduate Research Day (poster), SMU, Dallas, February 10

2015: 85th Annual Southern Economic Association Conference, New Orleans, November 21– 23
Stata Texas Empirical Micro Conference (poster), FED, Dallas, October 30 – 31

2014: Stata Texas Empirical Micro Conference (poster), SMU, Dallas, November 7 – 8
Graduate Research Day (poster), SMU, Dallas, February 26

GRANT

“Consumers’ Food Waste Behavior in the United States,” PI (Co-I: Valerie Kilders), Intramural Grant, Office of Sponsored Programs and Research, MSU TX, 2021-2023, \$5000.

EDITORIAL SERVICE

Midwestern Business and Economic Review (redesigned for undergraduate research), MSU TX
Editor, 2023 – present

Midwestern Business and Economic Review, MSU TX
Co-Editor, 2022 – 2023

Midwestern Business and Economic Review, MSU TX
Editorial Board, member, 2021 – 2022

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Summer 2014, Department of Economics, SMU
Research Assistant: Daniel Millimet and Thomas Fomby, “Food Security in North Texas.”

ACADEMIC AWARDS

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| 2024 – 2025 | DCOBA Faculty Research Fellow Program Award for AY2023-2024, MSU TX |
| 2022 – 2023 | Dillard College Faculty Research Award, MSU TX |
| 2022 – 2023 | Faculty Development Fund, Provost’s Office, MSU TX |
| 2019 – 2020 | Provost-Senate Research Award, SXU |
| 2018 – 2020 | Professional Development Grant, GSM Faculty, SXU |
| 2018 – 2019 | Provost-Senate Research Award, SXU |
| 2016 – 2018 | Graduate Assistantship, Altshuler Learning Enhancement Center, SMU |
| 2015 – 2018 | Graduate Student Development Grant, Office of Research and Graduate Studies, SMU |
| 2015 – 2018 | Graduate Student Assembly Travel Grant, SMU |
| 2015 – 2016 | Advanced Graduate Student Departmental Fellowship, Department of Economics, SMU |
| 2014 – 2015 | Teaching Fellowship, Department of Economics, SMU |
| 2010 – 2014 | Full Tuition Scholarship and Teaching Assistantship, Department of Economics, SMU |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor, 2020 – present, Dillard College of Business Administration, MSU TX
Master's: Managerial Economics (Spring 2024, Spring 2025, Spring 2026)
Undergraduate: Business and Economics Statistics (Spring 2026: 3 sections, Fall 2025: 3 sections, Summer 2025 online, Spring 2025: 3 sections, Fall 2024: 3 sections, Summer 2024 online, Spring 2024, Fall 2023, Summer 2023 online, Spring 2023, Fall 2022: all two sections except Summer), Macroeconomic Principles (Summer 2023 online, Spring 2023, Fall 2022, Summer 2022: online, Spring 2022, Fall 2021, Spring 2021, Fall 2020: three sections), Microeconomic Principles (Summer 2025 online, Summer 2024 online, Fall 2023 online, Summer 2022: online, Summer 2021: online)

Instructor, 2018 - 2020, Graham School of Management, SXU
Master's: Managerial Economics (Spring 2019, Fall 2019, Spring 2020)
Undergraduate: Principles of Macroeconomics (Fall 2018, Spring 2019, Spring 2020); Principles of Microeconomics (Spring 2019, Fall 2019); Principles of Macroeconomics (online, Summer 2019, Fall 2019); Principles of Microeconomics (online, Summer 2019)

Econ Graduate Assistant, 2016 - 2018, Altshuler Learning Enhancement Center, SMU
Master's: Economic Analysis I, Introductory Econometrics, Strategic Behavior
Undergraduate: Intermediate Microeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomics, International Trade, Principles of Microeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics

Tutor, Summer 2015 - Summer 2016, Summer 2017, Altshuler Learning Enhancement Center, SMU

Instructor, 2014 - 2015, Department of Economics, SMU
Undergraduate: Intermediate Microeconomics (Price Theory)

Teaching Assistant, 2010 - 2014, Summer 2015, Summer 2017, 2017 - 2018, Department of Economics, SMU
Ph.D.: Econometrics II, Econometrics III, Microeometrics
Master's: Economics of Human Resources, Environmental Economics, Introductory Economics, Public Finance, Social Choice
Undergraduate: Economics of Education, Financial Economics and Investment Behavior, Intermediate Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Money and Banking, Principles of Microeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics, State and Local Government

SERVICE

University

Teaching and Learning Resource Collaborative Committee, MSU TX, chair, 2025 – present
Digital T&P Portfolio Taskforce Committee, member, 2025 – 2026
Faculty Mentor, First-Year Mustangs Adventure, Quality Enhancement Program, MSU TX, 2023 – present
Faculty Senate, MSU TX, senator, 2022 – present
Faculty Mentor, First-Year Mustangs Adventure (Pilot Study), Quality Enhancement Program, MSU TX, Fall 2022
Teaching and Learning Resource Collaborative Committee, MSU TX, member, 2021 – present
University Assessment Committee, MSU TX, member, 2020 – 2022
Undergraduate Research and Creative Activity Forum (UGRCAF), MSU TX, evaluator/moderator, 2020 – present
Innovation and Financial Sustainability Subcommittee (Strategic Planning Committee), SXU, member, 2019 – 2020
Library Departmental Liaison Council, Saint Xavier University, member, 2019 – 2020
Institutional Review Board, Saint Xavier University, member, 2018 – 2020

College

Finance Faculty Search Committee, DCOBA, member, 2025 – 2026

New (Management) Faculty Mentor, 2025 – present
DCOBA Faculty Research Fellow Program Committee, member, 2024 – present
Academic Integrity Taskforce Committee, member, 2024 – present
Management Faculty Search Committee, Dillard College of Business Administration, member, 2023
College Research Committee, member, 2022 – 2024
Economics Faculty Search Committee, Dillard College of Business Administration, member, 2022
Globalization Committee, Dillard College of Business Administration, member, 2021 – 2023
Undergraduate Academic Advising, Dillard College of Business Administration, 2021 – present
Online Degree Completion Committee, Dillard College of Business Administration, member, 2020 – 2021
Undergraduate Academic Advising, Graham School of Management, 2019 – 2020
Assurance of Learning Committee, Graham School of Management, member, 2018 – 2020

Community

Communities in Schools of Greater Wichita Falls Area (CISGWFA), Board of Directors, secretary, 2025 – present
Communities in Schools of Greater Wichita Falls Area (CISGWFA), Board of Directors, board member, 2021 – present

REFEREE

Contemporary Economic Policy, European Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Economic Interaction and Coordination, Journal of Regulatory Economics, Midwestern Business and Economic Review, Regulation & Governance, Revue d'économie politique

OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Bureau of Business and Government Research, Director, DCOBA, MSU TX, Fall 2023 – present
Mamie Raborn Center for Economic Education, Director, DCOBA, MSU TX, Fall 2023 – present

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Agricultural and Applied Economics Association, American Economic Association, Southern Economic Association, The Econometric Society, Western Economics Association International