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ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Tennessee 2022 –
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of California, Merced 2014 – 2021

Other Academic Affiliations

Scientific Director for Global Networks, Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) 2021 –
Invited Researcher, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) 2020 –
Gender and Economic Agency Initiative
Post Primary Education Initiative
Faculty Affiliate, Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) 2015 –

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, University of California, San Diego 2014
B.A. Economics and Psychology, University of California, Berkeley 2004

PUBLICATIONS IN REFEREED JOURNALS

1. Improving school management to low and middle income countries: A systematic review. 2023. *Accepted at Economics of Education Review.* (with Gautam Anand, Aishwarya Atluri, Lee Crawford, and Todd Pugatch)
2. Delivering Health Insurance Through Informal Financial Groups: Evidence on Adverse Selection, Demand, and Health Care Utilization. 2021. *Health Economics.*
3. Discrimination from Below: Experimental Evidence from Ethiopia. 2021. *Journal of Development Economics.* (with Shibiru Ayalew and Shanthi Manian).
4. Follow my Lead: Assertive Cheap Talk and the Gender Gap. 2021. *Management Science.* (with Shanthi Manian)
5. Does Provider Access to Technology Improve Health Care? Evidence from a national distribution of phototherapy in Rwanda. 2021. *Seminars of Perinatology.* (with Vinod Bhutani and Lisine Tuyisenge)
6. Can Mobile-Deposits Bolster Savings? Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial in Sri Lanka. 2020. *The Review of Economics and Statistics.* (with Suresh de Mel, Craig McIntosh, and Christopher Woodruff)
7. The Usual Suspects: Do Risk Tolerance, Altruism, and Health Predict the Response to COVID-19? 2020. *Review of Economics of the Household.* (with Greg Wright)
8. What Explains Low Adoption of Digital Payment Technologies? Evidence from Small-Scale Merchants in Jaipur, India. 2019. *PLoS ONE.* (with Ethan Ligon, Badal Malick, and Carly Trachtman)
9. Bridging Education Gender Gaps in Developing Countries: The Role of Female Teachers. 2016. *Journal of Human Resources.* (Lead Article, with Karthik Muralidharan)

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

1. Gender Discrimination in the Family. 2014. In E. Redmount (Ed.), *The Economics of the Family: How the Household Affects Markets and Economic Growth*. (pp. 237-266). (with Prashant Bharadwaj and Gordan B. Dahl)
2. US-China Trade Disputes: Rising Tide, Rising Stakes. 2006. Policy Analyses in International Economics 78. Peterson Institute for International Economics. (with Gary Clyde Hufbauer and Yee Wong)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

1. Discrimination and Access to Capital: Experimental Evidence from Ethiopia (with Shibiru Ayalew and Shanthi Manian) (*Under Review*)
2. Can Incentives Change Beliefs? A Field Experiment in Uganda (with John Bosco Asiimwe, Denise Ferris, Shanthi Manian, and Sarojini Hirshleifer) (*Data collection completed*)
3. Gender, Competition, and Requests for Capital: Experimental Evidence on Female Prioritization (with Shanthi Manian) (*Data collection completed*)
4. Gender, Harassment, and the Profit Gap: Survey Evidence from Ethiopia (with Trinity Douglas and Shanthi Manian) (*Data collection completed*)
5. Gender and Nutrition Sensitive Agricultural Extension (with Niklas Buehren and Estelle Koussoube) (*Data collection completed*)
6. Do Punishments Affect Willingness to Report Misbehavior? (with Quy Lam) (*Data collection ongoing*)
7. Getting Low-Income Adolescents Back in School: The Returns to Secondary School Equivalency in Tanzania (with James Khakshi and SK Tariquzzaman) (*Data collection ongoing*)
8. What Drives the Gender Gap in Financial Sector Management: Evidence from Ethiopia (with Niklas Buehren, Girum Abebe Tefera, Toni Weis, and Saba Yifredew) (*Data collection ongoing*)
9. Leading School Recovery from COVID-19: Experimental Evidence on Post-Pandemic School Leadership Training (with Lee Crawford and Todd Pugatch) (*Intervention and data collection ongoing*)
10. Lifting Women's Labor Bans (with Trinity Douglas) (*Secondary data analysis*)

GRANTS

2023: SARIF grant for Development Economics in the South Workshop (\$3,500)

2021: J-PAL Post-Primary Education Initiative, with Lee Crawford and Todd Pugatch (\$199,959)

2021: UC Merced Academic Senate Faculty Research Grant (\$9,907)

2020: Center for Effective Global Action and the Ghana Institute of Management and Public Administration, with Angela Owusu Ansah and Julius Ruschenpohler (\$49,968)

2020 and 2021: J-PAL Post-Primary Education Initiative, with James Ward Khakshi (\$282,278)

2020: The Small and Growing Business Evidence Fund (Aspen Network of Development Entrepreneurs and International Growth Centre), with Shanthi Manian (\$191,619)

2020: Center for Effective Global Action and the East Africa Social Science Translation, with John Bosco Asiimwe, Sarojini Hirshleifer, and Shanthi Manian (\$75,000)

2019: Center for Effective Global Action's Digital Credit Observatory, with Shanthi Manian (\$45,000)

2019: Center for Effective Global Action and the East Africa Social Science Translation, with Shibiru Ayalew and Shanthi Manian (\$50,000)

2018: BRAC-CEGA, with SK Tariquzzuman (\$64,800)

2017: Center for Effective Global Action/Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, with Ethan Ligon and Carly Trachtman (\$60,000)

2017: Center for Effective Global Action/Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, with Ethan Ligon and Carly Trachtman (\$6,500)

2016: Center for Effective Global Action and the East Africa Social Science Translation, with Shibiru Ayalew and Shanthi Manian (\$48,889)

2011: International Labor's Microinsurance Innovation Facility and EUDN (\$10,000)

Total Awarded Funding: \$1,097,420

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

2023: Loyola Marymount University, UC Merced, Development Economics in the South Workshop (DevSouth)

2022: University of Alabama, George Washington University, University of Tennessee, UC Davis, UC San Diego, University of Washington, Northwest Development Workshop, IPA Financial Gathering

2021: Annual Social Science Association (ASSA) Meeting, University of Nevada Reno, University of Pittsburgh, IPA Financial Gathering, UC Santa Barbara, University of Oregon, Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, UC Irvine

2020: Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), Discrimination and Disparities Seminar Series

2019: Annual Social Science Association (ASSA) Meetings, Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), Claremont Graduate University, All California Labor Economics Conference, UC Berkeley, Innovation for Poverty Action's Financial Inclusion and Social Protection Gathering, Bay Area Behavioral and Experimental Economics Workshop, Northwest Development Economics Workshop, East Africa Evidence Summit

2018: Annual Bank Conference on Africa, Southwest Experimental and Behavioral Economics Workshop, Northwest Development Economics Workshop, CSAE (Center for the Study of African Economies) Conference, East Africa Evidence Summit, North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), UC San Diego Development Economics Conference

2017: Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), East Africa Evidence Summit, Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA) Research Retreat

2016: Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), Institute for Food and Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), University of San Francisco

2015: Western Economic Association International Annual Conference, Midwest International Economic Development Conference, Indian School of Business Hyderabad, California State University Fresno

2014: UC Merced, University of Southern California, College of William and Mary, University of New Mexico, University of Colorado Denver, US Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service, Eastern Connecticut State University, Delhi School of Economics, North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC)

2013: Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), Gender Beyond Boundaries at UC San Diego, North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC)

TEACHING

Econometrics (Undergraduate, University of Tennessee)
Principles of Microeconomics (Undergraduate, University of Tennessee)
Development Economics (Undergraduate and Graduate, UC Merced, University of Tennessee)
Advanced Econometrics (Undergraduate, UC Merced)
Independent Study: Topics in development; Primary research (Undergraduate, UC Merced)
Development in India (Undergraduate, UC Education Abroad Program, India)
Impact Evaluation Training Workshop (Professionals, CEGA, Uganda, Ghana)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Economics Undergraduate Committee Member (University of Tennessee): 2022-23
Economics Department Vice Chair (UC Merced): 2021-22
Economics Undergraduate Chair (UC Merced): 2020-21
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee (UC Merced): 2019-20
Economics Department Search Committee (UC Merced): 2015-16, 2016-17, 2017-18, 2018-19
Economics Department Seminar Series Coordinator (UC Merced): 2015-16, 2018-19
Economics Department Undergraduate Committee Member (UC Merced): 2015-16

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Scientific Director for Global Networks, Center for Effective Global Action (CEGA): This role includes mentoring African scholars on semester-long fellowships, reviewing grants and fellowship applications, and advancing primary research on the capacity and inclusion of scholars from low-and-middle-income countries.

Trainings and Mentorship: Pre-analysis Plan Training (Center for Effective Global Action Fellows), Impact Evaluation Method Training (BRAC practitioners, West African researchers), PhD graduate student mentoring (University of Tennessee and UC Merced), Mentor for Successfully Navigating Your PhD Mentoring Workshop for 3rd Year + Women and Non-binary PhD Students in Economics and Economics-Adjacent Fields

Conference Organizing: Initiated and launched inaugural *Development Economics in the South Workshop (DevSouth)*, an annual workshop designed to foster and strengthen the network of development economists that are based in the South; ASSA 2019 Session

Grant Review: Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), Center for Effective Global Development (CEGA), International Growth Center's Small and Growing Businesses Evidence Fund, KU Leuven, UC Berkeley's Economists for Equity Small Grant Program

Referee: Economic Bulletin, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economics of Education Review, Economic Journal, Journal of African Business, Journal of Contemporary African Studies, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Development Studies, The Review of Economics and Statistics, World Development

Community Initiatives: Race Equity Committee Member for Fresno DRIVE (Developing the Region's Inclusive and Vibrant Economy) Initiative; Mentor for Jacobs Foundation Conference Solveathon hosted by MIT Solve; Guest expert on Semper Curious Seminars on "Economic Inequality: Policies and Attitudes"; Guest speaker for Fresno's Black Women Organized for Political Action

Consultant: World Bank (Madagascar, South Asia), Central Valley Community Foundation (Community needs assessment of Merced, CA)