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St. Stephen's College
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EDUCATION

PhD Candidate

Department of Economics
Delhi School of Economics, Delhi University

August 2019 onwards

Master of Arts, Economics

Department of Economics, Delhi School of Economics

May 2011

Bachelor of Arts (Honours), Economics

St. Stephen's College, Delhi University

May 2009

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor (Permanent)

Department of Economics, St. Stephen's College, Delhi University

March 2015 - till date

Assistant Professor (Adhoc)

Department of Economics, St. Stephen's College, Delhi University

July 2013 - March 2015

Guest Lecturer

Department of Economics, St. Stephen's College, Delhi University

August 2012 - April 2013

- Lectured and tutored a course titled 'Money and Financial Markets' to third year students of BA (Hons) Economics.

Research Assistant

Indian School of Business, Hyderabad

July 2011 - February 2012
(Under Prof. Tarun Jain)

- Worked primarily on a project to evaluate the impact of English Language skills on job market and marriage market outcomes .
- Helped in developing the questionnaires and also in executing the baseline survey.
- Helped recruit enumerators and also conducted a 3 day workshop for the enumerators.
- Also worked on National Sample Survey data .

KEY PROFESSIONAL ASSIGNMENTS

- Assistant Bursar, St. Stephen's College, Delhi University. September 2014 - May 2016
- Coordinator, Centre for Economic Research, St. Stephen's College, Delhi University. July 2018 - July 2021
- Teacher Representative (Elected), Governing Body, St. Stephen's College, Delhi University. February 2018 - February 2019
- Member, Committee of Courses and Studies for UG, PG and Research Studies in Economics, Department of Economics, Delhi University. April 2018 - March 2020

- Working Group Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Revision Committee for LOCF based curriculum revision for the course Development Economics - I (BA Hons Economics), Delhi University. April 2019 - June 2019
- Working Group Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Revision Committee for LOCF based curriculum revision for the course Development Economics - II (BA Hons Economics), Delhi University. April 2019 - June 2019
- Member, Delhi University Committee for formulation of courses for Under Graduate Programme in Economics under UGCF-2022, March 2022

PUBLICATIONS

- “Covid-19: How the pandemic evolved in Kerala over the ‘Unlock’ phases,” Ideas for India, 29 September 2020
- “Rising NPAs as a principal-agent problem,” Governance Now, 7 November, 2016

FELLOWSHIPS

- Junior Research Fellowship (JRF), University Grants Commission, June 2012
- J-PAL Research for Impact Fellow, Cohort of 2022
- ICMR Research Grant for the study titled “Building Pandemic Resilience in Rural Communities”, March 2022 - March 2025

COMPUTING SKILLS

Proficient in Stata, \LaTeX

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics, Economics of Health and Education, Game Theory

ACADEMIC REFEREES

Details can be provided on request