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Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2017
M.S. Statistics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2017
M.A. Economics, Delhi School of Economics, Delhi, India, 2008
B.A. Economics, Lady Shri Ram College, Delhi, India, 2006

Academic Position

Assistant Professor of Real Estate, University of Georgia, August 2017 - present

Research and Teaching Interests

Urban Economics, Real Estate, Applied Microeconomics, Econometrics

Publications

"Do More Eyes on the Street Reduce Crime? Evidence from Chicago's Safe Passage Program" with Daniel McMillen and Ignacio Sarmiento.
Journal of Urban Economics, March 2019, 110, 1-25 (Lead article)

"Seismic Risk and House Prices: Evidence from Earthquake Fault Zoning".
Regional Science and Urban Economics, March 2019, 75, 187-209

"Fair Market Rent Notches and the Distribution of Rents in Los Angeles" with Daniel McMillen.
Regional Science and Urban Economics, January 2020, 80

"Assessment Regressivity and Property Taxation" with Daniel McMillen.
Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics, February 2020, 60, 155-169

"Stringency of Land-Use Regulation: Building Heights in US Cities" with Jan Brueckner.
Journal of Urban Economics, March 2020, 116

"Is Competition a Cure for Confusion? Evidence from the Residential Mortgage Market" with Steven Malliaris and Daniel Rettl.
Real Estate Economics, Accepted.

Working Papers

"Air Pollution, Housing Prices, and Costs of Sanctions" with Amirhossein Amini Behbahani and Kaveh Nafari (Revise and resubmit at *Regional Science and Urban Economics*)

"Land Value Estimation Using Teardowns" with Daniel McMillen

"Measures of Vertical Inequality in Assessments" with Daniel McMillen

"Do School Shooting Erode Property Values?" with Juan Munoz

Work in Progress

"The Effect of Riots on the Property Tax Base in Los Angeles"

"A note on the Optimal Lambda for Minimum Power Divergence Estimator", with Anil Bera

Teaching Experience

Real Estate Program, University of Georgia

Real Estate Principles, Fall 2017 - Present

Department of Economics, University of Illinois (as Teaching Assistant)

Econometrics (Graduate), 2015 - 2017 (Spring semester)

Statistics (Graduate), 2014 - 2016 (Fall semester)

International Economics (Graduate & Undergraduate), Fall 2013

Research Grants, Awards & Fellowships

"Alternative Methods For Calculating Fair Market Rents (FMRs) in Rental Markets with Rapidly Rising Rents" with Daniel McMillen.

Sponsor: US Department of Housing and Urban Development. \$127,840, 2020-2021

"Land Valuation Methods".

Sponsor: Lincoln Institute of Land Policy. \$10,000. 2019-2020

"Subsidence Risks and House Prices: Evidence from Illinois".

Sponsor: Illinois Mine Subsidence Insurance Fund. \$55,516. 2018-2019

Fellowships & Awards

Lincoln Institute Scholar, 2019.

Awarded Outstanding Reviewer Status, Regional Science and Urban Economics, 2017

American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association (AREUEA) Doctoral Session Travel Grant, 2017

Graduate College Travel Grant, University of Illinois, 2016

Department Travel Grant, University of Illinois, 2016

C. Lowell Harriss Dissertation Fellowship, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, 2016

Paul W. Boltz Fellowship, University of Illinois, 2016

(in recognition of exceptional promise for careers in academia or business)

Robert E. Demarest Memorial Teaching Award, University of Illinois, 2016

Department Summer Research Fellowship, University of Illinois, 2015, 2016

Graduate Teaching Certificate, University of Illinois, 2014

List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Students, University of Illinois, Fall 2014 - Spring 2017
(Ranked as "Outstanding" by Students (Top 10%), Fall 2014 - Fall 2015 & Spring 2017)

Department Travel Grant, University of Illinois, 2013

Department Fellowship, University of Illinois, Spring 2013

Principal's prize (for Commitment and Service), Lady Shri Ram College, Delhi, 2006

Dr Saroj Gupta Memorial Scholarship, Lady Shri Ram College, Delhi, 2005
(for academic and overall excellence)

Conference and Seminar Presentations

- 2021: AREUEA-ASSA Conference (Scheduled)
- 2020: AREUEA-ASSA Conference (San Diego), 2020 Research Symposium at USC Lusk Center, Penn State University, University of California Irvine
- 2019: AREUEA International Conference (Milan, Italy); Baruch College - City University of New York; University of Georgia (Agricultural and Applied Economics); APPAM Fall Research Conference (Denver); 2019 SMU Conference on Urban and Regional Economics
- 2018: 13th Meeting of the Urban Economic Association (Columbia University, NY); 46th AREUEA National Conference (Washington DC); Urban Economics and Public Finance Conference, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
- 2017: Heartland Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop at Illinois; UIUC pERE Seminar; AREUEA-ASSA Conference, Doctoral Session (Chicago)
- 2016: AREUEA International Conference, Doctoral Session (University of Alicante); Economics Department, University of Illinois

Professional Service

- Editorial Board: *Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics*: January 2019 - Present
- Referee: *Journal of Urban Economics, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Real Estate Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Regional Science, Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics, Journal of Housing Economics, Urban Studies, Education Finance and Policy, Public Finance Review, National Tax Journal, Journal of Housing Research, Canadian Journal of Regional Science*
- Discussant: 2020 - Southern Economics Association
- 2019 - AREUEA-ASSA Conference (Atlanta, GA) x2, FSU-UF-UCF Real Estate Symposium (Gainesville, FL), AREUEA International Conference (Milan, Italy), 5th Biennial Real Estate Conference (FRB Atlanta)
- 2018 - 13th Meeting of the Urban Economic Association (Columbia University, NY), 46th AREUEA National Conference (Washington DC)
- Session Chair: 2020 - 12th Real Estate Market and Capitals Market (RECAPNET) Conference
- Program Committee: 2020 - 48th AREUEA National Conference

Affiliations

- Research Affiliate, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA)
- Fellow, Global Labor Organization
- American Economic Association
- American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association
- Urban Economic Association

Other Professional Experience

Research Assistant for Professor Richard Akresh and Damien De Walque,
Spring 2014 - Summer 2015

Research Assistant for Professor Daniel McMillen, Summer 2015, 2016 & 2017
Economist, ICICI Bank, India, June 2008 - June 2012

Workshops Attended

2019: CSWEP Mentoring Workshop

2017: NBER Summer Institute

2015: Frontiers in Urban Economics, Columbia University

2013: Causal Inference Workshop, Northwestern University

Computer Skills

R, STATA, SAS, MATLAB, ARC-GIS, LATEX