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Education

Northwestern University Ph.D. in Economics	2025 (<i>expected</i>)
Northwestern University M.A. in Economics	2020
Colby College B.A. in Economics (<i>Honors & Distinction</i>) and Mathematical Science (<i>Distinction</i>), <i>Summa Cum Laude</i>	2017
<i>University of Oxford</i> Visiting Student Programme	2015-2016

Working Papers

- Harnessing Satellite Data to Improve Social Assistance Targeting in the Eastern Caribbean** (with Sophia Chen, Flavien Moreau, and Joana Pereira)
- Political (Mis)selection: The Role of Historical Institutions** (with Shubhro Bhattacharya and Utsav Manjeer)

Publications

- Development Research at High Geographic Resolution: An Analysis of Night Lights, Firms, and Poverty in India Using the SHRUG Open Data Platform** (with Sam Asher, Toby Lunt, and Paul Novosad), *World Bank Economic Review* (2021)

Work in Progress

- Political Implications of Trade Liberalization: Evidence from India** (with Sebastian Järvell and Roza Khoban)
- Populism and Public Services Delivery**

Research Experience

International Monetary Fund Summer Intern in Western Hemisphere Department	2023
Northwestern University Research Assistant for Professor Ameet Morjaria	2022-2023
Development Data Lab Research Associate	2017-2019

Teaching Experience

Northwestern University Introduction to Microeconomics	2023
Colby College Statistics for Economics	2017
Microeconomic Theory	2015

Presentations

2023	Pathways to Development Conference
2022	Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics, European Meeting of Urban Economics Association, Infra4Dev Conference
2017	Maine Economic Conference
2016	Heartland Environmental and Resource Economic Workshop

Grants, Scholarship, & Awards

- 2023 Weiss Fund, with Anton Reinicke and Yasuka Tateishi (\$10,000)
International Growth Centre Small Research Grant, with Anton Reinicke and Yasuka Tateishi (£6,000)
Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries Exploratory Research Grant, with Anton Reinicke and Yasuka Tateishi (£10,000)
- 2021-2024 Japan Student Service Organization Scholarship
- 2019-2021 Japan-IMF Scholarship
- 2017 Breckenridge Prize (highest GPA among senior economic majors)
Phi Beta Kappa (top 9% of senior class)
- 2016 Economics Department Prize for Junior with Highest GPA
Leslie Dougherty Biddle '89 and George Biddle Fund for International Service Learning, Internships, and Research

Refereeing

World Bank Economic Review

Professional Activities

- 2020-2023 Northwestern University Economics Ph.D. Mentorship Program
- 2021 Northwestern University Development Lunch Seminar Organizer