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Employment

University of Notre Dame, Assistant Professor of Economics 2019-
Center for Global Development, Postdoctoral Fellow 2018-2019

Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, PhD Economics 2018
University of Notre Dame, BA Philosophy, *summa cum laude* 2010

Working Papers and Works in Progress

“I’ve Been Waiting on the Railroad: The Effects of Congestion on Firm Production”
“The Long-run Effects of Distortions on the Geography of Production” (with Ernest Liu)
“Internal Migration in India: New Evidence from Rail Passenger Data” (with Clément Imbert)
“Do Anti-Bribery Laws Affect International Trade and Investment?”

Fellowships and Honors

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship 2012-2016
Oesterle Award, for best philosophy undergraduate 2010
Dockweiler Medal, for best undergraduate philosophy thesis 2010
Phi Beta Kappa 2010

Research Grants

George and Obie Shultz Fund Research Grant (\$4,822), MIT 2016
J-PAL Governance Initiative Research Grant (\$250,000) 2012

Other Experience

Research Assistant for Ben Olken 2014
Research Assistant for Daron Acemoglu 2013
J-PAL South Asia Research Associate 2010-2012
for Esther Duflo, Abhijit Banerjee, and Dan Keniston

Invited Presentations

2018: Georgetown University, McDonough School of Business; University of Notre Dame; University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign; Indian School of Business; National University of Singapore, Lee-Kuan Yew School of Public Policy; University of California, Irvine

Referee Service

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics; American Economic Review; Journal of Development Economics

Languages

English (native), Hindi (intermediate), French (intermediate)