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Employment

Associate Professor Economics, New York University Abu Dhabi, 2021 – present

Assistant Professor Economics, New York University Abu Dhabi, 2013 – 2021

Education

Ph.D. Economics, Columbia University, 2013

M.Phil. Economics, Columbia University, 2010

M.A. Economics, Columbia University, 2009

M.I.A. International Economics, Columbia University, SIPA, 2007

A.L.B. Economics, Harvard University, 2004

Research

Published Papers

1. “Land Rezoning and Structural Transformation in Rural India: Evidence from the Industrial Areas Program,” *World Bank Economic Review* (with Ritam Chaurey, Ram Fishman, and Samreen Malik) 2021.
2. “In the Heat of the Moment: Economic and Non-Economic Drivers of the Weather-Crime Relationship,” Accepted, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization* (with Ritam Chaurey, Ram Fishman, Deepak Malghan, and Samreen Malik) 2021.
3. “Way Down in the Hole: Adaptation to Long-Term Water Loss in Rural India,” *American Economic Review* (with Ram Fishman and Veena Srinivasan) 2020.
4. “Delivering Education to the Underserved through a Public-Private Partnership in Pakistan,” Accepted, *Review of Economics and Statistics* (with Felipe Barrera, Matthew Hoover, Leigh Linden, Dhushyanth Raju, and Stephen Ryan) 2020.
5. “Politics and Public Goods in Developing Countries: Evidence from the Assassination of Rajiv Gandhi,” *Journal of Public Economics* 2018.
6. “Weather Shocks, Agriculture, and Crime: Evidence from India,” *Journal of Human Resources* (with Ram Fishman) 2017.

Working Papers

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1. "Irrigation and the Spatial Pattern of Local Economic Development in India," (with Aaditya Dar, Ram Fishman, Samreen Malik, Heitor Pelegrina, and Karan Singh) 2021.
 2. "Ethno-nationalist Mobilization and the Rise of the BJP," 2019.
 3. "Economic Factors Mediate the Impact of Drought on Farmer Suicides in India," (with Ram Fishman and Yoav Rothler) 2019.

Works in Progress

1. "Using Scarce Water Efficiently: Can Centralized Irrigation Projects Make a Comeback?" (with Ram Fishman)
2. "Agricultural Productivity and the Spatial Distribution of Economic Activity: Evidence from India" (with Ram Fishman, Samreen Malik, and Heitor Pellegrina).

Grants

"Using Scarce Water Efficiently: Can Centralized Irrigation Projects Make a Comeback?" (with Ram Fishman)

Referee Work

Review of Economics and Statistics; Journal of Human Resources; World Development; Journal of Comparative Economics; Economics of Education Review; Weather, Climate, and Society

Teaching

New York University Abu Dhabi

2020-21: Development Economics, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Development Economics (Masters Level)

2019-20: Development Economics, Public Economics

2018-19: Development Economics, Directed Study

2017-18: Development Economics, Statistics for the Social Sciences

2016-17: Intermediate Macroeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics, Directed Study

2015-16: Development Economics, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Statistics for the Social Sciences, Principles of Macroeconomics (Summer)

2014-15: Intermediate Macroeconomics

2013-14: Development Economics, Public Economics