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EDUCATION

Stanford University Graduate School of Business 1999-2004

Stanford, CA

Ph.D. in Political Economy. Specialization: Macro Political Economy, Development Finance.
Dissertation: Essays in Data Quality, Investment, and Policymaking.

Awards: Bradley Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research.

Harvard University 1994-1997

Cambridge, MA

B.A., Magna Cum Laude, Political Science. Certificate in Latin American Studies.

Awards: Firth Prize for best thesis in Government Department; Hammond Prize for best undergraduate thesis on a Latin American topic.

LANGUAGES: Fluent in English and Spanish.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Economics, Graduate School of International Relations and Pacific Studies,

University of California, San Diego July 2004 – present

La Jolla, CA

Lecturer in Public Policy, Stanford University Spring 2001, 2003

Palo Alto, CA

CONSULTING APPOINTMENTS

Advisory Board Member, Wilderhill Global Clean Energy Index (NEX) March 2006 -

San Diego, CA

Index and ETF tracking global clean energy industry.

Consultant, Asian Development Bank Jan.-Mar. 2002

Manila, Philippines

Contributor to research report on economics and politics of preferential trade agreements.

Office of the Chief Economist, Inter-American Development Bank Sept. 1998-Sept. 1999

Washington, DC

Member, research team for 1999/2000 *Economic and Social Progress Report*

Development Economics Vice-Presidency, World Bank Aug. 1997-Aug. 1998

Washington, DC

Researcher, reported to Joseph Stiglitz, Chief Economist of World Bank.

Consultant, Poverty Reduction and Economic Management, World Bank Aug. 1997-Aug. 1998

Washington, DC

Contributor to internal training and Knowledge Management System (KMS) on Public Expenditure and Decentralization. Fieldwork in Ethiopia and Venezuela.

PUBLICATIONS AND RESEARCH

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

2006. *Federalism and Economic Reform*. Cambridge University Press. (edited with T.N. Srinivasan).

2004. "Trade Liberalization and Intersectoral Labor Movements," *Journal of International Economics* v. 64(2), December, pp. 411-439. (with Romain Wacziarg)

2004. "Economic, Social, and Demographic Determinants of Political Participation in Latin America: Evidence from the 1990s," *Latin American Journal of Economic Development*, Issue 3, pp.151-182. (with Ugo Panizza and Alejandro Gaviria)

2004. "Political Institutions and Growth Collapses," *Latin American Journal of Economic Development*, Issue 2, pp. 147-184. (with Ernesto Stein, Ugo Panizza, Alejandro Gaviria)

2004. "Globalization and the Poor," *De Economist* 152(2): 251-272. (With T.N. Srinivasan)

2003. "Asian Regionalism and its Effects on Trade in the 1980s and 1990s," *Journal of Asian Economics* 14(1): 91-129. (With Ramon Clarete and Christopher Edmonds)

2003. "Political Particularism Around the World," *World Bank Economic Review* 17(1): 133-143. (With Alejandro Gaviria, Ugo Panizza, Ernesto Stein)

2000. *Improving the Odds: Political Strategies for Institutional Reform in Latin America*. Latin American Research Network, Inter-American Development Bank. Washington, D.C. (with Merilee Grindle, Carol Graham, and Eduardo Lora)

OTHER WRITINGS

2005. "Of Demolition Drives and Creative Destruction," *Indian Express*, Analysis/Editorial Page, October 15, 2005. (with N.K. Singh)

2005. "Putting India in the Fast Lane," *Indian Express*, Analysis/Editorial Page, June 12, 2005. (with N.K. Singh)

2005. "Time to Step on the Gas," *Indian Express*, Analysis/Editorial Page, June 19, 2005. (with N.K. Singh)

2004. "Short Circuits in the Reforms Generator," *Indian Express*, Analysis/Editorial Page, July 24, 2004. (with N.K. Singh)

2004. "The Current of Change Must Not Shock Common People," *Indian Express*, Analysis/Editorial Page, July 26, 2004. (with N.K. Singh)

2003. "Superficial Growth? Evaluating Indian Economic Reforms in the 1980s," *Economic and Political Weekly* (October 2003, pp. 4312-4316)

2000. *Development Beyond Economics: Economic and Social Progress Report 2000*. Washington, DC: Inter-American Development Bank. (Contributor)

1998. *Aspects of Decentralization*. Washington DC: EDI, World Bank. Author of subsections on Participation, Civil Service, and Economic Growth. (Co-editor, with Jennie Litvack)

MANUSCRIPTS

2006. *The Ties that Bind: Closing India's Infrastructure Gap* (book in progress, with N.K. Singh).

2006. "Guarantee or Gamble? Revenue and Risk Sharing in Federations," UCSD

2006. "The Highs and Lows of Revenue Estimating: Explaining Bias and Inaccuracy" UCSD

2005. "Electoral Systems and the Personal Vote: Update of Database of Particularism," (with Joel Johnson).

2005. "Campaign Finance: Parties or Personal?" UCSD (with Joel Johnson).

2005. "Investing in the Dark: Data Quality and Perceptions of Creditworthiness," UCSD

2005. "Moving India: Policy Strategies for Transport Sector Reform," prepared for Stanford Center for International Development Annual Conference on Indian Economic Reforms, Stanford, CA. June, 2005. (with N.K. Singh)

2004. "Some Light at the End of the Tunnel: Electricity Sector Reforms in India," prepared for Stanford Center for International Development Annual Conference on Indian Economic Reforms, Stanford, CA. June, 2004. (with N.K. Singh)

TEACHING

Currently teaching masters courses in **Economic Policy in Latin America, Political Economy of Development in India, Policy Design, Project Management / Implementation Strategy**, Also taught modules on **Foreign Aid** for Berkeley Junior Summer Institute in Public Policy and International Affairs (2005), and on **Policy Design** for

Institute on Global Cooperation and Conflict summer program in Public Policy and Biological Threats (2004, 2005).

GRANTS

2005. Research Grant for “Electoral Systems and Candidate Incentives,” Academic Senate, UC San Diego

2004. Research Grant for “Federalism and Infrastructure Investment,” Program on Energy and Sustainable Development, Stanford University.

2004. Harvard Academy Fellowship (Declined)

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

Columbia University, (October 2006).

Asian School of Business, Trivandrum, Kerala, India (December 2005).

Institute for Financial Management and Research, Chennai, India, (October 2005).

National Institute for Public Finance and Policy, Delhi, India, (October 2005).

American Political Science Association Annual Meetings, (August 2003, 2005).

Stanford University, Stanford Center for International Development Annual Conference on Indian Economic Reforms, Stanford (June 2004, 2005).

Management Development Institute, Gurgaon, India, (December 2004).

Inter-American Development Bank, “A Decade of Development Thinking” Tenth Anniversary Conference sponsored by the Research Department, (September 2004).

OTHER

Board Member, Treasurer, Harvard Club of San Diego

Reviewer, Journal of Economic Literature, Review of Economics and Statistics, Basil Blackwell Press, Cambridge University Press, Economics and Politics, World Bank Economic Review.

Member, American Economic Association, American Political Science Association.