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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

London School of Economics and Political Science 2023 –
Department of Government
Assistant Professor in Political Science

AFFILIATIONS

Governance and Local Development Institute 2025
University of Gothenburg
Fellow (Non-Residential)

EDUCATION

Stanford University 2017 – 2023
PhD in Political Science

New York University Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, UAE 2012 – 2016
Bachelor of Arts in Political Science (minor in History), summa cum laude

BOOK PROJECT

Of Land and Leviathan: How State-Society Bargaining Shapes Infrastructure in India

Identity and Emigration (with Nikhar Gaikwad and Kolby Hanson)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Bridging the Gulf: Experimental Evidence on Migration's Impact on Tolerance and Internationalism with Nikhar Gaikwad and Kolby Hanson, **American Journal of Political Science**.

Can Party Elites Shape the Rank and File? Evidence from a Recruitment Campaign in India with Saad Gulzar, Durgesh Pathak, and Sarah Thompson, **American Political Science Review**

Do Quotas In Two Dimensions Improve Social Equality? Intersectional Representation & Group Relations, with Rachel Brulé, Conditionally accepted at the **Journal of Politics**

Bringing Autocracy Home? How Migration to Autocracies Shapes Migrants' Support for Democracy, (with Nikhar Gaikwad and Kolby Hanson), Conditionally accepted at **World Politics**

How Migrating Overseas Shapes Political Preferences: Evidence from a Field Experiment (with Nikhar Gaikwad and Kolby Hanson), Conditionally accepted at **International Organization**

WORKING PAPERS

Vote Tourism: How Electoral Fraud Facilitates Elite Rent-Sharing (with Liam Rose)

My Way and the Highway: Embedded Bureaucrats and Bargaining Over Land and Infrastructure

From Red Tape to a Red Line: How Land Record Digitization Can Stall Infrastructure Investment

WORK IN PROGRESS

From Paper to Digital: Understanding the Ecological Impacts of India's Land Records Reform (with Saad Gulzar and Anzony Quispe)

Coercive Benefits: Mining, Extractive Institutions, and Public Goods in India, (with Emily Russell)

Land Privatization and Populism, (with Krisztina Szabó)

Green Power: Resistance to Green Infrastructure in Europe, (with Peter Wyckoff)

MEDIA AND POLICY

- Featured in [Ideas of India](#) podcast.
- Discussion of “How Overseas Opportunities Shape Political Preferences” in the [World Bank’s Development Impact Blog](#)
- Contributed section in [The Backlash against Globalization: What’s Next?](#) policy brief.

AWARDS

- “*Do International Employment Opportunities Impact Individuals’ Political Preferences and Behavior?*” received Robert H. Durr Award for best paper “applying quantitative methods to a substantive problem,” presented at the 2019 Midwest Political Science Association Annual Meeting

GRANTS

- 2025: British Academy Small Research Grant (GBP 10,000)
- 2024: Ronald Coase Institute Grant (\$20,000)
- 2022: CVoter Foundation Survey Grant (\$25,000)
- 2021: Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research, Graduate Research Award (\$10,000)
- 2021: Stanford King Center for Global Development, Graduate Research Award (\$13,000)
- 2021: Vice Provost for Graduate Education, Graduate Research Opportunity (\$4,900)
- 2021: Freeman Spogli Institute, Large Research Grant (\$9,000)
- 2020: Stanford King’s Center for Global Development Exploratory Grant (\$3,500)
- 2019: Center for South Asia at Stanford University Graduate Research Grant (\$3,500); King’s Center for Global Development Exploratory Grant (\$6,000)
- 2018: Freeman Spogli Institute at Stanford University Research Grant (\$1,500)
- 2017: Pilot project grant from Research & Empirical Analysis of Labor Migration at Columbia University to implement a field experiment on the economic returns to migration as well as migration’s impact on political attitudes, tolerance, and support for peace (\$150,000).

INVITED TALKS

- IE University, Spain, 2025
- University of Oxford, DPIR, UK, 2025
- University of Glasgow, UK, 2025
- King’s College London, India Institute, UK 2024
- European Meeting on the Political Economy of South Asia, Oslo, Norway, 2024

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- Political Economy Workshop, CASI at University of Pennsylvania, 2025, 2023 (by-invitation)
- MIGRADEMO Workshop, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, 2024
- Cornell University, Governance and Local Development Institute Conference, USA, 2025 (by-invitation)
- International Political Economy Society Conference: 2024
- American Political Science Association Annual Meeting: 2024, 2022, 2021, 2020
- European Political Science Association Annual Meeting: 2025, 2024
- Midwest Political Science Association: 2024, 2021
- Indian Politics Workshop, UC Berkeley 2022
- University of California, Berkeley; “Gender and Politics” Workshop, 2021
- Southern Political Science Association, 2021
- Workshop on the Political Economy of South Asia, 2020
- Harvard Experimental Political Science Graduate Conference, 2020
- Indian Democracy at Work, 2020
- Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, Delhi ISI 2019
- CaliWEPS II, 2019

TEACHING

- Undergraduate:
 - *The Art of Power and Political Resistance*, LSE Autumn 2025
 - *Research Design for Political Science*, LSE, Autumn 2024
- Postgraduate:
 - *Quantitative Analysis for Political Science*, LSE, Autumn 2023-2025

TEACHING ASSISTANCE

- *Data Science for Politics* by Prof. Yiqin Xu, Summer 2021 (TA);
- *Populism and the Erosion of Democracy* by Prof. Anna Grzymala-Busse, 2020 & 2023 (TA);
- *Formal Theory II* by Prof. Avidit Acharya, Spring 2020 (TA);
- *Middle Eastern Politics* by Prof. Lisa Blaydes, Fall 2019 (TA);
- *Political Methodology II: Causal Inference* by Prof. Jens Hainmueller, Winter 2019 (TA).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Reviewer for *Review of Economic Studies*, *American Political Science Review*, *Journal of Politics*, *Political Behavior*, *British Journal of Political Science*, *Perspectives on Politics*, *Comparative Political Studies*, *Journal of Development Studies*.

SKILLS

Languages Conversational in Hindi and French, Hungarian native speaker

Computer R, STATA, Python, L^AT_EX, NVivo, Qualtrics; familiarity with QGIS