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EDUCATION

University of Cambridge

Ph.D. Economics Candidate

M.Phil. in Economics Research (with Distinction)

Cambridge, UK

2020 - Present

2019 - 2020

Primary Field: International Trade; **Secondary Field:** Development Economics

- ONS - ESCoE PhD Studentship and Faculty Trust Fund Award
- Jennings Prize for Academic Excellence

Harvard University

Master of Public Administration/ International Development

- Walker Beale Scholarship and William Hodson Fellowship
- Mossavar- Rahmani Center for Business and Government Research Grant Award

Cambridge, USA

2016 - 2018

Indian Institute of Technology, Madras (IIT-M)

Bachelor of Technology in Mechanical Engineering

- National Talent Search Exam (NTSE) scholarship by the Government of India

Chennai, India

2007 - 2011

REFERENCES

Prof. Meredith Crowley

Faculty of Economics
University of Cambridge
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Dr. Gabriella Santangelo

Faculty of Economics
University of Cambridge
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Prof. Tiago Cavalcanti

Faculty of Economics
University of Cambridge
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Dr. Siddharth Sharma

World Bank

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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

World Bank

Research Consultant

Aug 2018 – Present

- Performed econometric analysis using firm-level microdata to study different policies
 - Employed quasi-experimental methods and geospatial techniques to estimate the impact
- Prepared policy publications covering international trade, investment and energy use

Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) South Asia

Senior Research Associate, New Delhi/ Patna, India

Oct 2013 – Mar 2016

- Coordinated projects studying the impact of energy reforms carried out by state governments
 - Served as a Technical Consultant to Energy Secretaries in Bihar and Rajasthan
- Researched revenue and power supply data, and designed a revenue-linked power supply protocol
- Mentored two Research Associates and supervised a team of 8 Field Coordinators
- Drafted a research proposal to secure a grant worth \$700,000 to cover survey costs

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Teaching

- **Graduate:** Microeconomics; Dissertation Writing (2021-22); International Trade (2023-34)
- **Undergraduate:** International Trade (2022-23)

Presentations

- 2022-23: RSEP Conference; Midwest International Trade Conference
- 2023-24: ETSG Conference; ESCoE Economic Measurement Workshop; CSAE Conference

Refereeing

- Review of World Economics

Other Activities

- Co-organizer, Globalization Reading Group (Faculty of Economics, Cambridge) 2022-23
- Co-organizer, India Policy Trek (Harvard Kennedy School) 2018

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation (HSBC)

Credit Risk Analyst, Bengaluru, India

Jul 2011 – Sep 2013

- Conducted research on alternative exit options offered to customers to avoid foreclosure
- Evaluated the impact of the mailer campaign offering customers alternative options to avoid foreclosure
- Reviewed trends in third-party bids received for foreclosed properties at the auction sale
- Analysed delinquent taxes advanced by the bank on behalf of the customer

Federal Authority for Development of Special Economic Zones

Jun 2017 – Aug 2017

Summer Intern, Department of Planning, Mexico City, Mexico

PUBLICATIONS

- Kaza, Silpa, Shrikanth, Siddarth and **Chaudhary, Sarur**, (2021), "More Growth, Less Garbage", World Bank Urban Development Series
- **Chaudhary, Sarur** and Sharma, Siddharth, (2022), "The Impact of Lifting Firing Restrictions of Firms: Evidence from a State-Level Labor Law Amendment", World Bank Policy Research Working Paper
 - Featured in the Ideas for India (I4I) policy blog

RESEARCH WORKS IN PROGRESS

- "Globalizing Highways: Domestic Roads and Foreign Inputs"
- "Local or Global: Expansion Path of Multiple-product Exporters" with Maryam Vaziri
- "Impact of Flood Shocks on Firm Investment" with Tim Doberman and Azhar Hussain
- "Evolution of Trade with Digitalization: The case of UK's trade with the EU"
- "Public versus Private: Differential Responses to a Trade Shock" with Siddharth Sharma
- "Connectivity and Vertical Integration" with Marium Ashfaq and Maryam Vaziri

PERSONAL SKILLS

- **LANGUAGES:**
(Native) English and Hindi, (Intermediate) Spanish, (Basic) French, Punjabi and Tamil
- **TECHNICAL:**
Programming: Stata, Python, R, SQL and SAS; Financial Analysis (CFA Level 2)