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Education

Doctor of Philosophy in Economics Expected
May 2010
Terry College of Business, The University of Georgia, Athens GA, USA

Focus: Public Goods Accessibility in Developing Countries

Dissertation : “Access to Drinking Water in India: Three Essays on Current Problems and Future Prospects” *under the direction of Santanu Chatterjee and David B. Mustard.*

Relevant PhD Coursework: Microeconomics, Cross-Section, Panel, and Time-Series Econometrics, Biostatistics, Health Economics

Ph.D. Fields: International Trade and Finance, Labor Economics

Master of Science in Economics May 2004

Madras School of Economics, Anna University, Chennai, India

Focus :Child Health- Infant and Child Mortality

Relevant Coursework: Indian Development, Statistics, Cross-section, and Time-Series Econometrics.

Bachelor of Commerce May 2002

Stella Maris College, University of Madras, Chennai, India

Major: Commerce

Fields of Specialization

Health Economics, Development Economics, Econometrics (Cross-section, Panel and Time-Series)

Papers

Balasubramaniam, Divya. “The Distributional Consequences of Access to Safe Water and Sanitation on Child Nutrition in India: A Quantile Regressions Approach,” November 2009, (*job market paper*).

Balasubramaniam, Divya, Santanu Chatterjee, and David B. Mustard. “Got Water? Social Divisions and Access to Public Goods in Rural India, October 2009, *under review in Economica*.

Rajaram, Ramaprasad and **Balasubramaniam, Divya.** “Female Autonomy, Maternal and Child Health Care: Are the Women and Children from the Poorest Households Particularly Disadvantaged,” October 2009, *working paper*.

Balasubramaniam, Divya. “The Effect of Caste on Tap Water Access in Rural India: Underlying Mechanisms,” November 2009, *work in progress*.

Work Experience

Research Assistant and Data Analyst

January 2009- present

Dr. Phaedra Corso

- Funding from the National Institute for Health
- Health Care Georgia Project
- Compile hospital data from the Southeast Georgia Health System, Brunswick, Georgia

- Conduct a Benefit-Cost Analysis of free clinics in the state of Georgia.

Dr. Phaedra Corso and Dr. Angela Fertig (*Principal Investigators*)

- Health Care Georgia Project
- Conduct Return on Investment analysis for The Good News Clinics, Gainseville, GA using a pre and post evaluation design, which compares the key indicators (hospital utilization and costs) one year before and one year after enrollment in the Clinic.
- Results are submitted and currently under review.

Research Assistant

Dr. Santanu Chatterjee and Dr. David B. Mustard (*Principal Investigators*) 2008-2009

- Funding from the University of Georgia Research Foundation.
- Project entitled “Understanding Poverty and Inequality in the Developed World: A Study of Healthcare and Education in Georgia.”
- Compiled poverty data from Georgia County and City Guide.
- Performed regression analysis to assess how Education and Health facilities impact poverty in the persistent and non-persistent poor counties in Georgia using Excel and STATA.

Dr. Santanu Chatterjee 2007-2008

- Segregated the Georgia counties’ poverty data into persistently poor counties and non-persistently poor counties.
- Computed descriptive statistics and statistical analysis using STATA.

Dr. David B. Mustard 2004-2007

- Extracted data from the Bureau of Justice Statistics database.
- Performed a panel data analysis to investigate the crime rates in the United States using STATA.

Telephonic Interviewer- Survey Research Center, University of Georgia September-October 2004

- Assisted in Data Collection and Telephone Surveys for several university-wide research projects.

Instructor Department of Economics, The University of Georgia

- Economic Development of the United States* Spring 2009-present
- Principles of Microeconomics Summer 2008 & Spring 2008
- Principles of Macroeconomics Summer 2007

All these are 2000 level courses for undergraduate coursework. I handled 39 students in summer 2007, 55 students in spring 2008, and 28 students in summer 2008. In these courses, students learn the fundamental concepts and its applications in economics.

* University System of Georgia Independent and Distance Learning.

Teaching Assistant Department of Economics, The University of Georgia

- Econometrics-I (Cross-Section and Panel data)- Graduate ECON8110
- Macroeconomics Theory II - Graduate ECON8050
- International Trade and Policy ECON4550
- Intermediate Microeconomics ECON4010
- Economics of Education (Honors) ECON4250H
- Economics of Environmental Quality ECON2100

Intern

Dr. Brinda Viswanathan

May 2003 - July 2003

- Extracted data from National Sample Survey Organization 50th round.
- Analyzed the impact of child labor on Indian economy using SPSS and STATA for the empirical analysis.

Presentations

“Got Water? Social Divisions and Access to Public Goods in Rural India”

Southeastern International/Development Economics Workshop, (Forthcoming), December 2009.

“The Distributional Consequences of Access to Safe Water and Sanitation on Child Nutrition in India: A Quantile Regressions Approach” *Southern Economic Association Conference*, (Forthcoming), November 2009.

“Got Water? Social Divisions and Access to Public Goods in Rural India”

Southern Economic Association Conference, (Forthcoming), November 2009.

“The Distributional Consequences of Access to Safe Water and Sanitation on Child Nutrition in India: A Quantile Regressions Approach” *Summer Seminar Series* at the Department of Economics, The University of Georgia, June 2009.

“Got Water? Social Divisions and Access to Public Goods in Rural India”

Graduate Student Conference at the Graduate Student Association, The University of Georgia, April 2009.

“Got Water? Social Divisions and Access to Public Goods in Rural India”

Summer Seminar Series at the Department of Economics, The University of Georgia, August 2008.

“Got Water? Social Divisions and Access to Public Goods in Rural India”

Poster Presentation, *Southern Economics Association Conference*, November 2008.

Awards and Honors

Nominated to represent The University of Georgia to present paper at the 79th Southern Economic Association Annual Conference, November 2009

John Godfrey Outstanding Graduate Student Award, 2009

The University of Georgia Graduate School Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, 2009

The University of Georgia Graduate School Academic Dean Award, 2008-2009

The University of Georgia Graduate School Student Travel Grant, 2008

Graduate Assistantship, Teaching and Research, The University of Georgia, 2005-2009

Department of Commerce General Proficiency Award, 2000-2002

Professional Activities

Member- Southern Economic Association, American Economic Association, Institute of Women’s Policy Research, Association for Integrity and Responsible Leadership in Economics and Associated Professions

Computer Skills

STATA, MATHEMATICA, SAS, TSP, SPSS, Microsoft Office, LaTeX

References

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