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CURRENT POSITION

2009- Assistant professor of economics and international studies, Boston College
2013- Visiting scholar, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston Consumer Payments Research Center

EDUCATION

Princeton University, Ph.D. in economics, June 2009
Princeton University, M.A. in economics, June 2006
Stanford University, B.A. in economics and BS in mathematics, Phi Beta Kappa, 2002

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development economics, Applied microeconomics, Macroeconomics

PUBLICATIONS

The effects of financial development in the short and long run: Theory and evidence from India.
2013. *Journal of Development Economics* 104: 56-72.
Returns to education in India. 2014. *World Development*, 59: 434-450.

WORKING PAPERS

How important is variability in consumer credit limits? (BC WP 754, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston WP 14-8, revise and resubmit at *Journal of Monetary Economics*)
If financial development matters, then how? National banks in the United States 1870-1900 (BC WP 753, revise and resubmit at *Review of Economics and Statistics*)
The precaution of the rich and poor (BC WP 814)
The Puzzle of Marriage Migration in India (BC WP 820, submitted)
The changing geography of gender in India (BC WP 833)
The Credibility of Exchange Rate Pegs and Bank Distress in Historical Perspective: Lessons from the National Banking Era (with Felipe Schwartzman, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, WP 13-18)

CURRENT RESEARCH

The dynamics of ethnicity and income in the US from 1850 to 2010 (with Fabio Schiantarelli and Ivan Petkov, Boston College)
Finance, Trade, and Economic Geography: Banks, Railroads, and the Economic Conquest of a Continent

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Where has all the education in India gone? *Ideas For India*, 18 September 2014.
http://ideasforindia.in/article.aspx?article_id=344

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Economic Development (Boston College, EC870): Fall 2014, spring 2014, spring 2013. Course in development economics for 2nd year doctoral students

Development Economics and Policy (Boston College, EC374): Fall 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014. A policy focused advanced undergraduate class.
Development Economics (Boston College, EC273): Spring 2014, 2013, 2011, 2010. An introductory undergraduate class.

ADVISING EXPERIENCE

2010-2014 Committee chair and advisor for Federico Mantovanelli. Placement: Analysis Group.
Donald White Award for the best Ph.D. thesis in the Social Sciences.
2013- Committee member for Shoghik Hovhannisyanyan
2014- Thesis advisor for Ivan Petkov, Rossella Calvi
Undergraduate senior thesis advisor for Elizabeth Raymond (2012-13), John Maney (2011-12), Lesley Huang (2010-11), Claire Ruffing (2010-11).
Independent study Becky Barbrow (Spring 2010).

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2002-04 Research analyst at Charles River Associates

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

2013 The Economics of Payments VII, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (session chair)
2013 World Bank Migration and Development Conference in Morocco (presentation, discussant)
NEUDC (presentation, discussant)
2012 American Economic Association annual meeting (presentation)
Philadelphia Fed/NBER Macroeconomics across Time and Space conference (presentation)
Green Line Macro Meeting (presentation)
Midwest Macroeconomics Conference (presentation)
2011 Green Line Macro Meeting (presentation)
2008 NEUDC (presentation, discussant)

INVITED SEMINARS

2014 Princeton University economics department; Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond; Federal Reserve Bank of Boston; Harvard University economics department
2013 University of Missouri economics department
2012 Rutgers University economics department
Brown University economics department
Einaudi Institute for Economics and Finance, Rome
Institute for Fiscal Studies, London
2009 University of California San Diego
University of Pennsylvania Wharton School of Business
Dartmouth College economics department
Boston College economics department

REFEREE ACTIVITY

American Economic Review, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of Monetary Economics, Economic Inquiry, Metroeconomica, Review of Economics and Statistics, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Journal of the European Economic Association

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS AND AWARDS

2011 Research Expense Grant, Boston College University Research Council

2011 Undergraduate Research Fellowship—RA John Maney
2004-08 Princeton University Graduate Fellowship
2002 Phi Beta Kappa, Stanford University
2002 Economics department award for outstanding senior thesis, Stanford University
1999 US Patent 5,959,230 “Tactile Tempo Indicating Device”
1998 National Merit Scholar

UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE

2009- Boston College International Studies Program board member; 2010 and 2011
admissions committee
Fall 2014 BC Applied microeconomics seminar organizer
Spring 2014 BC Applied microeconomics seminar organizer
Fall 2013 BC Applied microeconomics seminar organizer
Spring 2013 BC Applied microeconomics seminar organizer
Spring 2011 BC Macroeconomics and finance seminar organizer
Fall 2011 BC Macroeconomics and finance seminar organizer
2011 Boston College Faculty Field Marshal
Fall 2011 Economics department full time lecturer search committee
Fall 2010 Economics department full time lecturer search committee

DISSERTATION ADVISOR

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