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Employment

2014-: Associate Professor (with tenure), Department of Economics, Fordham University
2008-2014: Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Fordham University

Other positions/service

Spring 2017: Visiting Scholar, Center for Development Economics and Policy, Columbia University
2016-: Editorial Board, Quantitative Finance and Economics
2016-: Editorial Board, Journal of Obesity and Weight Management
2014-: Research Fellow, IZA, Bonn, Germany
2014-: Editorial Board, International Journal on Biodiversity Watch
2014-: Director, Social Justice and Policy Unit, Center for International Policy Studies, Fordham University
2014-: Editorial Board, American Journal of Economics and Business Administration
2012-: Research Affiliate, Population Studies Center, University of Pennsylvania
2011-: Research Associate, Center for International Policy Studies, Fordham University

Education

2002-2008: Ph.D. Economics, University of Southern California
2002-2003: M.A. Economics, University of Southern California
2000-2002: M.A. Economics, Mumbai University, India
1997-2000: B.A. Economics (Honors), University of Delhi, India

Areas of Specialization

Development Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Applied Econometrics, Labor Economics, Program Evaluation, Field Experiments, Health, Education, Demography

Publications in Refereed Journals

[14] Dasgupta, Utteeyo, Lata Gangadharan, Pushkar Maitra and Subha Mani. (2017). "Searching for Preference Stability in a State Dependent World", **Journal of Economic Psychology**, 62: 17-32.

[13] Maitra, Pushkar and Subha Mani. (2017). "Learning and Earning – Evidence from a Randomized Evaluation in India", **Labour Economics (Special Issue on Field Experiments in Labor Economics and Social Policies)**, 45: 116-130.

- [12] Katapally, Tarun R., Shifalika Goenka, Jasmin Bhawra, Subha Mani, Ghattu V. Krishnaveni, Sarah H. Kehoe, Anjana S. Lamkang, Manu Raj and Kathleen McNutt. (2016). "Results from the India 2016 Report Card on Physical Activity for Children and Youth", **Journal of Physical Activity and Health**, *forthcoming*.
- [11] Georgiadis, Andreas, Liza Benny, Benjamin T Crookston, Le Thuc Duc, Priscila Hermida, **Subha Mani**, Tassew Woldehanna, Aryeh D Stein, and Jere R. Behrman. (2016). "Growth Trajectories from Conception through Middle Childhood and Cognitive Achievement at Age 8 Years: Evidence from Four Low- and Middle-Income Countries", **SSM - Population Health**, 2 : 43-54.
- [10] Andersen, Christopher T., Sarah A. Reynolds, Jere R. Behrman, Benjamin T. Crookston, Kirk A. Dearden, Javier Escobal, **Subha Mani**, Alan Sánchez, and Aryeh D. Stein, and Lia CH. Fernald. (2015). "The Juntos Conditional Cash Transfer Program in Peru Is Associated with Improved Anthropometry but Not Cognitive Achievement among Children", **Journal of Nutrition**, 145: 396-405.
- [9] Dasgupta, Utteeyo, Lata Gangadharan, Pushkar Maitra, **Subha Mani** and Samyukta Subramanian. (2015). "Choosing to be Trained: Do Behavioral Traits Matter?", **Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization**, 110: 145-159.
- [8] Behrman, Jere R., Whitney Schott, **Subha Mani**, Benjamin T. Crookston, Kirk Dearden, Le Thuc Duc, Lia C. H. Fernald, and Aryeh D. Stein. (2017). "Intergenerational Transmission of Poverty and Inequality: Parental Resources and Schooling Attainment and Children's Human Capital in Ethiopia, India, Peru, and Vietnam", **Economic Development and Cultural Change**, 65 (4): 657-697.
- [7] Dasgupta, Utteeyo and **Subha Mani**. (2015). "Only Mine or All Ours: Do Stronger Entitlements Affect Altruistic Choices in the Household?", **World Development**, 67: 363-375.
- [6] Dasgupta, Utteeyo and **Subha Mani**. (2014). "An Interactive Introduction to Randomized Evaluation." **Perspectives on Economic Education Research**, 8(1): 1-73.
- [5] Dasgupta, Utteeyo and **Subha Mani**. (2013). "Altruism in the Household: A Pilot Study." **Economic and Political Weekly**, xlviii(33): 17-19.
- [4] **Mani, Subha**. (2014). "Socioeconomic Determinants of Child Health - Empirical Evidence from Indonesia", **Asian Economic Journal**, 28(1): 81-104.
- [3] **Mani, Subha**, John Hoddinott and John Strauss. (2013). "Determinants of Schooling – Empirical Evidence from Rural Ethiopia", **Journal of African Economies**, 22(5): 693-731.
- [2] **Mani, Subha**, John Hoddinott and John Strauss. (2012). "Long-term Impact of Investments in Early Schooling — Empirical Evidence from Rural Ethiopia", **Journal of Development Economics**, 99(2): 292-299.
- [1] **Mani, Subha**. (2012). "Is there Complete, Partial, or No Recovery from Childhood Malnutrition? – Empirical Evidence from Indonesia", **Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics**, 74(5): 691-715.

Working papers

- [1] “Dynamics in Health and Employment: Evidence from Indonesia” (with Sophie Mitra and Usha Sambamoorthi). **(Revise and Resubmit, World Development)**
- [2] “Barriers to Skill Acquisition: Evidence from English Training in India” (with Tarun Jain and Pushkar Maitra).
- [3] “Searching for Religious Discrimination: Experimental Evidence from an Artefactual Field Experiment among Anganwadi Workers in India” (with Utteeyo Dasgupta and Prakarsh Singh) **(under review)**
- [4] “Caste Differences in Behavior and Personality: Evidence from India” (with Utteeyo Dasgupta, Smriti Sharma, and Saurabh Singhal). **(under review)**
- [5] “Cognitive, Socioemotional and Behavioral Returns to College Quality: Evidence from India” (with Utteeyo Dasgupta, Smriti Sharma and Saurabh Singhal). **(Revise and Resubmit, Review of Economics Statistics)**
- [6] Can Gender Differences in Distributional Preferences Explain Gender Gaps in Competition? (with Utteeyo Dasgupta, Smriti Sharma and Saurabh Singhal). **(under review)**
- [7] “Impact of NREGS on Children’s Intellectual Human Capital” (with Jere R. Behrman, Shaikh Galab, and Prudhvikar Reddy).
- [8] “Eliciting Risk Preferences: Can We Settle for the Simplest Method” (with Utteeyo Dasgupta, Smriti Sharma, and Saurabh Singhal). **(under review)**
- [9] “Decomposing ADL limitations: Permanent or Transitory” (with Neha Agarwal and Hans Peter Kohler).

Grants Received (Total amount received so far = \$172,452)

- 2017: Faculty Research Grant, Fordham University, PI, \$6500
- 2016: Faculty Research Grant, Fordham University, Co-PI (Marc Conte, PI), \$6,500
- 2015: Faculty Research Grant, Fordham University, PI, \$6,392
- 2014: International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie), Co-investigator (Ramanan Laxminarayan and Jere R. Behrman, PIs), \$50,612
- 2013: International Growth Center – India Central, PI, \$15,500
- 2013: International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie), Co-investigator (Ramanan Laxminarayan and Jere R. Behrman, PIs), \$3,400
- 2013: Grand Challenges Canada, Co-investigator (Jere R. Behrman, PI), \$32,280
- 2012: International Growth Center – India Central, Co-PI (Pushkar Maitra, PI), \$15,555
- 2011: Faculty Research Grant, Fordham University, PI, \$6,450
- 2011: Fordham Undergraduate Research Grant, Fordham University, PI, \$7,325
- 2010: Faculty Research Grant, Monash University, Co-PI (Pushkar Maitra, PI), \$18,338
- 2010: Faculty Research Grant, Fordham University, PI, \$3,600

Work in Progress

[1] “Catch-up Effects in Health Outcomes – Linear and Quantile Regression Estimates from Four Countries” (with Jere R. Behrman, Andreas Georgiadis, and Fan Wang).

[2] “Does the Fetal Origins Hypothesis Only Hold for the Average Person? Evidence From Ramadan Fasting” (with Jere Behrman and Farhan Majid).

[3] “Impact of Worker Incentives on Competition, Risk, and Distribution” (with Utteeyo Dasgupta and Prakarsh Singh).

[4] “Impact of a School-based Vocational Education Program on School Completion, Grade Progression and Earnings” (with Namrata Tognatta).

[5] “Impact Evaluation of the Magic Bus Foundation’s Sports in Girls’ Education Program in India” (with Ramanan Laxminarayan, Jere R. Behrman, Arindam Nandi and Anjana Lamkang).

Fellowships and Awards

Merit award, Fordham University, 2013-2016

Population Association of American (PAA) best poster prize (with Utteeyo Dasgupta), 2013

Merit award, Fordham University, 2012

Faculty Fellowship, Fordham University, Spring 2012

Fellowship, College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences, USC, 2007-2008

Merit Fellowship, College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences, USC, 2006-2007

Fellowship Stipend Top Up, College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences, USC, 2007

Graduate Assistantship, USC, 2003-2006

Represented USC at the Asia Pacific Rim University (APRU) conference, selected by the provost’s office, USC, 2006

Travel award received from the provost’s office to present at the APRU conference, USC, 2006

Strategic Theme Summer Supplement, College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences, USC, 2005

Merit Fellowship, College of Letters, Arts, and Sciences, USC, 2002-2003

Scholarship, Department of Economics, Mumbai University, 2000-2002

Special Research Award, Centre for Enquiry into Health and Allied Themes (CEHAT), 2001-2002

Invited Presentations and Conference Acceptance/Participation

2017: Georgia Institute of Technology (January), Columbia University (February), University of Connecticut (February), Fordham University (March), Population Council (March), PAA meetings in Chicago (May), Nordic Conference in Development Economics in Gothenburg (June), Calcutta University (July), ISI-Delhi (August), University of Pennsylvania (September), IZA/Volkswagen Foundation Workshop (October), Baruch College (December).

2016: Hunter College, CUNY (December), Southern Economic Association (November), LAC-DEV Conference at Vassar College (September), Fordham University Development Economics Conference (September), 6th GREThA International Conference on Economic Development in France (June), Nordic Conference in Development Economics in Norway (June), UNU-WIDER conference on Human Capital and Growth in Helsinki (June), PAA meetings in Washington, DC (April), Rutgers University (April), University of Pennsylvania (April), Monash University (March).

2015: United Nations University-World Institute for Development Economics Research conference on Discrimination (October), Shiv Nadar University (August), Public Health

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Foundation of India (July), 3ie - International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (July), ISI-IGC annual conference (July), Indian School of Business (June), Mumbai University (June), PAA meetings in San Diego (May), AEA meetings in Boston (January).

2014: Wharton Business School (November), Manhattan College (November), SEA meetings in Atlanta (November), PAA meetings in Boston (May).

2013: Rutgers University (December), University of Pennsylvania (December), Wharton Business School (December), City College of New York (October), Amherst College (September), SEA meetings in Florida (November), NEUDC in Boston (November), SOLE in Boston (May), PAA meetings in New Orleans (April), AEA meetings in San Diego (January).

2012: University of Southern California (October), Hunter College (February), University of Pennsylvania (February).

2011: Vassar College (April), National Conference on Teaching Economics and Research in Economic Education, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research, California (June), 71st International Atlantic Economic Conference in Greece (March), PACDEV in Berkeley (March).

2010: The 7th Midwest International Economic Development Conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota (April).

2009: Jadavpur University (August), PAA meetings in Michigan (April).

2008: Rutgers University (October), Gettysburg College (February), Fordham University (January), Applied Microeconometrics workshop in Wisconsin (August), PAA meetings in New Orleans (March).

2007: NEUDC in Harvard (October), University of Melbourne (July), Monash University (July), United Nations University-World Institute for Development Economics Research meetings in Ghana (May).

Professional Experience

Consultant, UNU-WIDER

Consultant, Boston University

Consultant, University of Pennsylvania

Review Panel for the session titled "Household and Labor Economics" in the Agricultural and Applied Economic Association Meetings in Seattle, Washington, 2012

Member, UNDP Equator Prize Technical Advisory Committee, 2011

Speaker in a one-day workshop on "Program Evaluation" at the Salesian Mission, 2009-2011, New York

Editorial Assistant, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, August 2005-August 2006

Consultant, United Nations University-World Institute for Development Economics Research (UNU-WIDER), August 2006-May 2007

Summer Intern, Food Consumption and Nutrition Division, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), June 2005-August 2005

Summer Intern, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI), June 2001-August 2001

Research Analyst, 'Jnana Prabodhini', an institute of psychology, June 1998-December 1998

Teaching Experience

Instructor, Basic Microeconomics, Fall 2008-present

Instructor, Applied Econometrics, Fall 2008-present
Instructor, Community Economic Development, Spring 2009-present
Instructor, Economics of Development, Spring 2014-present
Teaching Assistant, Economies of Less Developed Countries, Professor John Strauss, 2005
Teaching Assistant, Contracts, Organizations, and Institutions, Professor Hyeok Jeong, 2005
Head Teaching Assistant, Principles of Microeconomics, Dr. Russell Mangum, 2004
Teaching Assistant, Principles of Microeconomics, Professor Timur Kuran, 2004
Teaching Assistant, Principles of Macroeconomics, Professor Robert Dekle, 2003

Journal Refereeing

Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Development Economics, Economics of Education Review, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Health Policy and Planning, Journal of African Economies, Journal of Policy Modeling, Growth and Change, Economics Bulletin, African Journal of Agricultural Research, Singapore Economic Review, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Economics and Human Biology, Journal of Population Economics, Social Science and Medicine, International Journal on Biodiversity Watch, BE Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Journal of Human Capital, World Development, BMC Nutrition, Journal of Economic Psychology, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of International Development, BMC Pediatrics, Experimental Economics, Education Economics, Journal of Development Effectiveness, Review of Development Economics.

Service

University level

- [1] Member, Faculty Fellowship Advisory Committee, 2013
- [2] Presenter, Fall Parent's Day event, 2012
- [3] Presenter, President's Spring Preview event, 2010
- [4] Member, Fulbright interview panel, 2009-11
- [5] Participant, New Faculty Mentoring, 2008-2009
- [6] Member, Hiring Committee for the Chief Research Officer, 2015

Department level

- [1] Co-organizer, Department of Economics, Seminar Series, Fall 2010-2015
- [2] Organizer, Department of Economics, Seminar Series, Fall 2011
- [3] Manager, Department of Economics, Discussion Paper Series, Fall 2012-15
- [4] Member, Hiring Committees – Development Economics and International Economics, 2011
- [5] Member, Hiring Committee – Development Economics, 2012
- [6] Economics major adviser, Fall 2010-present
- [7] Ph.D. Dissertation reader: Maria Davalos (World Bank), Frank Canovatchel, Hoolda Kim
- [8] Honors Thesis Mentoring: Tyler Boston, Rose Puntel, and Alex Levine
- [9] International Political Economy and Development: Co-taught workshop on program evaluation and co-led study on workforce development for the Salesian Missions (with Sophie Mitra) 2011-2012
- [10] Field Trips: Sarah Scarcelli, Tyler Boston and Peter Lachman travelled with me to India for primary data collection in New Delhi, India
- [11] Ph.D. Admissions Committee Member, 2014-present
- [12] Masters Admissions Committee Member, 2014-present
- [13] Fordham Undergraduate Research Mentoring, 2012 and 2015
- [14] Ph.D dissertation mentees: Jason McCormack (Bank of America), Namrata Tognatta (World Bank), Susan Kibe, Rafi Zafar, Mitali Pradhan, Helene Purcell.

Media Coverage

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[1] Policy briefs of my research that appeared at www.ideasforindia.in:

[a] http://www.ideasforindia.in/Article.aspx?article_id=182

[b] http://www.ideasforindia.in/Article.aspx?article_id=165

[2] My research paper was blogged by David McKenzie at the World Bank Impact Evaluation Blog:

[a] <http://blogs.worldbank.org/impac evaluations/the-impact-of-vocational-training-for-young-women-in-delhi>

[3] Pedagogy in Action: the SERC portal for educators includes a description of the classroom games published in the pedagogy journal, *Perspectives on Economic Education Research*

[a] <http://serc.carleton.edu/sp/library/experiments/examples/70039.html>

References

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