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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2011 – Associate Professor of Economics and Global Health, Duke University  
2010 – 2011 John L. Loeb Associate Professor of Social Science (Economics), Harvard University  
2005 – 2009 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Harvard University  
2004 – Faculty Research Fellow (Labor), National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER)  
2009 – 2010 National Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University  
2006 – 2007 Visiting Member, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ  
2006 – 2007 Visiting Faculty, Center for Health and Wellbeing, Princeton University  
2003 – 2004 Post-doctoral Research Fellow, RWJ Scholars in Health Policy Research, Harvard

**FIELDS OF INTEREST:** Development Economics, Economic Demography, Health

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Affiliated Researcher, Bureau for Research in Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD)  
Member, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), MIT

## EDUCATION

2003 Ph.D, MA Department of Economics, Princeton University  
1996 BA Economics and Latin American Studies, Vassar College

## REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- “Muslim family law, prenuptial agreements and the emergence of dowry in Bangladesh” (with Attila Ambrus and Maximo Torero). *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, August 2010, 125(3):1349–97.
- “Health Insurance in Nicaragua: Enrollment, Retention, and Outcomes from a Randomized Experiment” (with Rebecca Thornton, Laurel Hyatt, and Mursaleena Islam). September 2010, *Health Economics* 19(S1): 181–206.
- “Iodine Deficiency and Schooling Attainment in Tanzania” (with Omar Robles and Maximo Torero). *American Economic Journal – Applied Economics*, October 2009, 1(4):140-169.
- “Educational Debt Burden and Career Choice: Evidence from a Financial Aid Experiment at NYU Law School.” *American Economic Journal – Applied Economics*, January 2009, 1(1): 1-21.
- “Early Marriage, Age of Menarche and Female Schooling Attainment in Bangladesh” (with Attila Ambrus). *Journal of Political Economy*, October 2008, 116(5): 881-930.
- “Entitled to Work: Urban Tenure Security and Labor Supply in Peru.” *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, November 2007, 4(122): 1561-1602.
- “Household Bargaining and Excess Fertility: Experimental Evidence from Zambia” (with Nava Ashraf and Jean Lee), November 2010. Working paper, Harvard University. Under revision, *American Economic Review*.
- “Does Group Lending Increase Social Capital? Evidence from a Field Experiment in India” (with Rohini Pande and Benjamin Feigenberg). August 2010. Under revision, *Review of Economic Studies*.
- “Term-structure of Debt and Entrepreneurial Behavior: Experimental Evidence from Microfinance” (with Rohini Pande, John Papp and Natalia Rigol). December 2010. Under revision, *American Economic Review*.
- “Repayment Flexibility Can Reduce Financial Stress: A Randomized Control Trial with Microfinance Clients in India” (with Rohini Pande, John Papp, and Y. Jeanette Park). August 2012. Forthcoming, *PLoS One*.

“Do Property Titles Increase Credit Access among the Urban Poor?” (with Maximo Torero). May 2008. Revision requested by *American Law and Economic Review*.

## WORKING PAPERS

“Throwing the Baby out with the Drinking Water: Unintended Consequences of a National Arsenic Mitigation Campaign in Bangladesh” (with Reshma Hussam and Rachel Glennerster). December 2010. Working paper, Harvard University.

“Fertility Responses to Urban Land Titling Programs: The Roles of Ownership Security and the Distribution of Household Assets”, October 2003. Working paper, Harvard University.

“Are There Upward Intergenerational Education Spillovers? The Influence of Children’s Schooling on Parents’ Smoking Cessation” (with Jorge de la Roca). June 2005. Working paper, Harvard University.

“Geographic Isolation and Cooperation on Networks: Evidence from a Housing Experiment in India” (with Sharon Barnhardt and Rohini Pande). September 2010. Working paper, Harvard University.

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“Do Traditional Institutions Constrain Female Entrepreneurship? A Field Experiment on Business Training in India” (with Seema Jayachandran and Rohini Pande). *American Economics Review Papers and Proceedings*, May 2010, 100(2):125-29.

“Segregation, Rent Control and Riots: The Economics of Religious Conflicts in an Indian City” (with Rohini Pande and Sujata Visaria), *American Economics Review Papers and Proceedings*, May 2008, 98(2): 505-510.

“Globalization, Crop Choice and Property Rights in Rural Peru, 1994-2004” (with Alfred Field), Chapter 14 in The Poor under Globalization in Africa, Asia, and Latin America. Edited by Machiko Nissanke and Erik Thorbecke, UNU-WIDER for Oxford University Press, 2009. (WIDER Research Paper No. 2007/72 (ISSN: 1810-2611)).

“Repayment Frequency and Default in Micro-finance: Evidence from India” (with Rohini Pande), *Journal of European Economics Association Papers and Proceedings*, April-May 2008, 6(2-3): 501-509.

“Impact Evaluation for Slum Upgrading Interventions.” (with Michael Kremer), *Doing Impact Evaluation Series* #3, World Bank, July 2006.

“Property Rights and Investment in Urban Slums.” *Journal of the European Economic Association Papers and Proceedings*, April-May 2005, 3(2-3): 279-290.

“Property Rights, Community Public Goods and Household Time Allocation in Urban Squatter Communities.” *William and Mary Law Review*, February 2004, 45(3): 837-887.

“Diferencias en el acceso de las mujeres al microcrédito en el Perú e impacto de la tenencia del título de propiedad” (with Maximo Torero), in Gender, Poverty and Micro-credit, CIES, Lima, Peru, 2004.

## ONGOING RESEARCH

“Business Training and Financial Behavior” (with Seema Jayachandran, Rohini Pande and Natalia Rigol)

“Causes and Consequences of Consanguineous Marriage” (with Seema Jayachandran and Mohammed Al Shafae)

“Adverse and Advantageous Selection in Health Insurance Markets for the Poor” (with Rebecca Thornton)

“Marriage Contract Adjustment to Public Information on Health Risk: Agreeing to Disagree” (with Attila Ambrus, Rachel Glennerster, and Reshma Hussam)

“Adolescent Empowerment and Early Marriage in Rural Bangladesh” (with Rachel Glennerster)

“An Experimental Evaluation of Property Reform in Mongolia” (with Leigh Linden and Shing-Yi Wang)

“Iron Deficiency Anemia and School Performance in Rural Peru” (with Maximo Torero and Alberto Chong)

“Impact of Banking on the Rural Poor” (with Chris Robert, Rohini Pande, and John Papp)

“Investigating Influences on Male Fertility Preferences” (with Nava Ashraf and Alessandra Voena)

## RESEARCH GRANTS

2012-2014	National Science Foundation (with Rachel Glennerster)
2012-2015	National Institute of Health (with Rohini Pande and Lisa Berkman)
2012-2014	Templeton Foundation (with Rohini Pande)
2011-2012	National Department of Labor Research Award (with Rohini Pande and Sharon Barnhardt)
2011-2014	National Science Foundation SES Grant (with Rohini Pande)
2011-2014	Agricultural Technology Adoption Initiative (ATAI) (with Rohini Pande)
2011-2014	International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie) Project Award (with Nava Ashraf)
2010-2011	National Department of Labor Research Award (with Rohini Pande)
2010-2015	National Institute of Health P01 Project Award (with Rachel Glennerster)
2010-2012	Science of Generosity Research Award (with Rohini Pande)
2010-2011	Milton Fund, Harvard University
2009-2012	International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie) Project Award (with Rachel Glennerster)
2009-2010	International Growth Center (IGC) Project Award (with Rohini Pande)
2009-2011	Harvard Sustainability Science Program Research Grant
2009-2010	Harvard Center for International Development Empowerment Lab Faculty Grant
2008-2010	National Science Foundation SES Grant, #0752792 (with Rohini Pande)
2008-2010	Hewlett/PRB Research Grant (with Nava Ashraf)
2008-2010	Weatherhead Initiative in International Affairs Project Grant (with Rohini Pande)
2008-2009	Real Estate Academic Initiative Faculty Grant, Harvard University (with Rohini Pande)
2007-2008	Faculty Research Development Grant, Islamic Legal Studies Program, Harvard University
2007-2008	National Science Foundation Small Grant for Exploratory Research, #0725075 (with Nava Ashraf)
2005-2011	Warburg Faculty Grant, Harvard University
2007	Faculty Grant for Research, Middle East Initiative, Harvard KSG
2006-2007	Research Grant for Semester Leave of Absence, Harvard Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
2005-2007	National Science Foundation SES Grant (#0519260)
2005-2006	Junior Faculty Development Grant, Harvard Academy for International and Area Studies
2005-2006	Center for International Development Faculty Grant, Harvard University
2004-2005	Milton Fund, Harvard University
2004-2005	Faculty Research Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University
2004-2005	Faculty Research Grant, Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University
2002	Research Network on Gender, Poverty and Micro-credit, CIES, Lima (auspices: Ford Foundation)

## EDITORIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

2009-	Associate Editor, <i>Journal of Development Economics</i>
2012-	Associate Editor, <i>Review of Economics and Statistics</i>

## HONORS AND AWARDS

2010	Furer Fellow, Harvard University
2010	Elaine Bennett Prize, AEA Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession 2009-
2010	Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow
2007	Albert Rees Prize for Outstanding Ph.D. Dissertation in Labor Economics
2001-2003	Fellowship of Woodrow Wilson Scholars
2000	Mellon Foundation Research Travel Award
1998	Susan K. Welles Alumni Graduate School Fellowship, Vassar College
1996	J. William Fulbright Fellow, U.S.-Peruvian Fulbright Committee
1996	Anne C. Hutchinson Thesis Prize in Economics

## PRESS

- “Help Microfinance, Don’t Kill It.” Editorial, Indian Express, Financial Times, December 2010.
- “The Women’s Crusade.” New York Times Magazine, August 23, 2009
- “The Mystery of Capital Deepens.” Economist, August 24, 2006
- “Forgive Us Our Student Debts.” New York Times Magazine, June 11, 2006
- “Informal Enterprise in Urban Peru.” Development Outreach Magazine, World Bank Institute, March 2005
- “Land Titles Give Poor a Chance to Advance.” Miami Herald, April 4, 2004
- “Study Looks at Squatters and Land Titles in Peru.” New York Times, January 9, 2003

## **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

**2002:** Group for Development Analysis (GRADE), Lima, Peru; New York University School of Law; University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill

**2003:** Washington and Lee University; Harvard University; Yale University; University of California – San Diego; University of California – Berkeley; Northwestern University; Columbia University; Massachusetts Institute of Technology; University of California – Los Angeles; William and Mary Law School; World Bank Research Group; London School of Economics; Universidad Pompeu Fabra; Stanford Graduate School of Business; Latin American and Caribbean Economics Association Meetings; IUSSP Seminar on Poverty, Programs and Demographic Outcomes, Mexico City

**2004:** University of Maryland; Dartmouth University; Boston University; Davidson College; European Economics Association Meetings; MIT; LSE; American Economics Association Annual Meetings; Harvard University; University of Michigan; Princeton University; New York University; Brown University; Southern Economics Association Annual Meetings; Cornell University

**2005:** Vassar College; Michigan State University; Wharton School of Business; Middlebury College; University of New Hampshire

**2006:** American Economic Association Meeting; SITE Conference, Stanford University; University of Michigan; Princeton University; World Bank; UNU-WIDER Conference on Poverty and Globalization in Latin America

**2007:** APPAM; CEPR/BREAD Workshop, Stockholm; University of California, Riverside; Columbia University; Yale University; BREAD Conference; Mathematica Policy Research Center; New York University; Institute for Advanced Study; Duke University; University of Southern California; European Economic Association Meetings

**2008:** American Economics Association Annual Meetings; University of California, Los Angeles; Wellesley College; CUNY Graduate School; Harvard Law School; Yale School of Law; BREAD Conference; University of Edinburgh; University of Essex; Harvard University; Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA) Conference; American Economics Association Meetings

**2009:** Chicago Harris School of Public Policy; University of Toronto; Bocconi University; University of Amsterdam; University College London; SITE Conference, Stanford University; Northeastern Universities Development Conference; University of California – Santa Barbara; University of Southern California; University of Maryland – College Park

**2010:** American Economic Association Meetings; Pacific Development Conference; IPA Microfinance Impact and Innovation Conference; MIT; Stanford GSB; Economics of Social Networks Conference, Soldeu, Andorra; University of Maryland; Stanford University; University of Washington – Seattle; University of Arizona – Phoenix; University of California – San Diego; Claremont College; University of California – Berkeley; Central European University, Budapest; University of Virginia; Brown University; BREAD/NBER Conference; Duke University; Cornell University; University of Houston Workshop on the Economics of Gender and Health

**2011:** Brown University; Bocconi University; NBER Summer Institute; Boston College; Harvard University; Columbia Earth Institute

**2012:** University of Colorado – Boulder; New York University; Yale; Harvard Business School; George Mason University; Columbia University

## **CONSULTING**

Millennium Challenge Corporation (Property Rights Reform in Mongolia)

Abt., Associates (Impact evaluation of national health insurance pilot in Nicaragua)

World Bank (Survey Design, impact evaluation of urban transport upgrading in Accra)

US Agency for International Development (rural titling impact evaluation in Peru)

National Property Institute, Republic of Honduras (titling program impact evaluation design)

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