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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, Whitman College, Walla Walla, WA 2020 – Present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA 2020

- Dissertation: Essays on women and work in India and on other-regarding preferences
- Advisor: Deepankar Basu

Master of Arts (Integrated) in Economics, University of Hyderabad, 2014

RESEARCH INTERESTS

social networks, inequality, gender, social preferences

PUBLISHED JOURNAL ARTICLES

Mamunuru, Sai Madhurika, Anand Shrivastava, and Arjun Jayadev. “Social networks and experienced inequality.” *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization* 229 (2025): 106799.

Girardi, Daniele, Sai Madhurika Mamunuru, Simon D. Halliday, and Samuel Bowles. “Does studying economics make you selfish?” *Southern Economic Journal* 90, no. 3 (2024): 792–814.

Page-Hoongrajok, Amanda, and Sai Madhurika Mamunuru. “Approaches to Intermediate Microeconomics.” *Eastern Economic Journal* 49, no. 3 (2023): 368–390.

WORKING PAPERS

Sai Madhurika Mamunuru. “Social status and women’s work in urban India.” Revise & resubmit at *Women’s Studies International Forum*.

Halliday, Simon D., and Sai Madhurika Mamunuru. “Updating our approach to Intermediate Microeconomics.” Conditionally accepted at *The American Economist*.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Ralston, Jason, and Sai Madhurika Mamunuru. “Network structure and inequality in the Public Goods Game.”

Page-Hoongrajok, Amanda, and Sai Madhurika Mamunuru. “AI chatbots and economics pedagogy.”

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Whitman College

2020 – Present

Courses: Principles of Microeconomics, Statistics for Economics, Intermediate Microeconomics, First Year Seminar: Social and Economic Inequality, Introduction to Development Economics, Political Economy of Women

Lead Instructor, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Courses: Intermediate Microeconomics (Fall 2016 – Spring 2017), Math Camp for PhD Students (Summer 2019)

Teaching Assistant, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

2014 – 2018

Courses: Introduction to Econometrics, Introduction to Microeconomics, Intermediate Microeconomics, Graduate Macroeconomics

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

“Updating our approach to Intermediate Microeconomics,” ASSA Annual Meeting (AEA & Committee on Economic Education), San Francisco, CA, January 2025.

“Social networks and experienced inequality.” Pacific Conference for Development Economics, Seattle, WA. March 2023 [poster].

Teaching the Microeconomics Revolution - Working Group Meetings, Santa Fe, NM. August 2022.

“Teaching introductory microeconomics using CORE: A Reflection.” Eastern Economic Association Meetings, NY, February 2022.

“Does economics make you selfish?” Ninth Annual AEA CTREE, St. Louis, MO. May 2019.

INVITED TALKS

“Does studying economics make you selfish?” Fashion Institute of Technology, New York, NY. March 2025.

“Declining female workforce participation in India: the role of status, caste, and seclusion,” Stockton Economic Society, Stockton University, NJ. October 2021.

AWARDS & GRANTS

- Faculty-Student Summer Research Award with Sachintha Pitigala, Janet Davis, Hana Nandawula-Bunnya, and Ruth Liyambo (2025)
- Abshire Research Award with Angel Baikakedi, Angela Eliacy, Michael Culbert, and Emily Lockman (2023)
- Louis B. Perry Summer Research Award with Angel Baikakedi, Nomin Batsukh, Iris Cano (2022)
- Louis B. Perry Summer Research Award with Ankit Bhattarai (2021)
- John Kenneth Galbraith Prize for outstanding dissertation research, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (2019)
- Political Economy Research Institute - Dissertation Fellowship (2019)
- Nomination: Distinguished Teaching Award, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (2018)
- University Fellowship, University of Massachusetts, Amherst (2015)
- University Gold Medal in Economics, University of Hyderabad, India (2014)
- Reserve Bank of India Young Scholar Award (2012)

ADVISING & ACADEMIC SERVICE

Academic Advisor to Economics Majors, Whitman College	2021 – Present
Faculty Advisor: South Asian Students' Association, Whitman College	2021 – 2022
Faculty Advisor: Women in Economics, Whitman College	2021 – Present
Member, Economics Department Search Committee, Whitman College	2021 – Present
Member, Faculty Compensation Committee, Whitman College	2022 – 2024
Member, Off-Campus Studies Committee, Whitman College	2022 – Present
Member, Economics Graduate Studies Committee, UMass Amherst	2016 – 2017

REFeree SERVICE

American Economist, Educational Sciences, Journal of Economic Education, Review of Social Economy, Comparative Economic Studies

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Tools: RStudio, Stata, NetLogo

Scripting: R, Stata

Programming Languages: C++, Python

Publishing: LaTeX, HTML, Markdown