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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2015– Postdoctoral Scholar, Department of Political Science, University of Chicago
- 2008–2015 Fellow, All Souls College, Oxford

EDUCATION

- 2015 DPhil in International Development, University of Oxford
- Awarded with no corrections
- 2009 MSc in Contemporary India, Balliol College, University of Oxford
- With distinction
- 2008 BA (Hons) Modern History, Merton College, University of Oxford
- Awarded the H.W.C. Davis Prize (2006) and Gibbs Books Prize (2008) for highest marks at Oxford
 - Study abroad scholarship at Princeton University (Fall 2006)

PUBLICATIONS

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES

- Forthcoming “The Politics of Electricity Reform: Evidence from West Bengal, India,” *World Development*
- 2017 “Reinventing State Capitalism in India: A View from the Energy Sector,” *Contemporary South Asia* 25(1): 85–100
- Winner, best graduate paper, British Association of South Asian Studies
- 2017 “Feeling Modern: The History of Emotions in Urban South Asia,” *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society* 27(4): 539–557 (with Sneha Krishnan and Megan Robb)
- 2012 “Dissipated Energy: Indian Electric Power and the Politics of Blame,” *Contemporary South Asia* 20(1): 91–103

COLLECTIONS EDITED

- Forthcoming *Class and Conflict: Rethinking the Political Economy of India* (Oxford University Press, under contract: manuscript delivered) (with Matthew McCartney)
- 2017 “Urban Emotions in South Asia,” special issue of the *Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society*, vol. 27 no. 4 (with Sneha Krishnan and Megan Robb)

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Forthcoming “A Climate of Scarcity: Electricity in India, 1899–2016,” in John Brewer, Neil Fromer, Fredrik Albritton Jonsson, and Frank Trentmann (eds.), *Scales of Scarcity in the Modern World, 1800–2075* (Bloomsbury)
- Forthcoming “State and Bureaucracy Redux,” in Elizabeth Chatterjee and Matthew McCartney (eds.), *Class and Conflict: Rethinking the Political Economy of India* (Oxford University Press)
- Forthcoming “Revisiting the Political Economy of Development in India,” in Elizabeth Chatterjee and Matthew McCartney (eds.), *Class and Conflict: Rethinking the Political Economy of India* (Oxford University Press) (with Matthew McCartney)
- Forthcoming “Insulated Wires: The Precarious Rise of West Bengal’s Power Sector,” in Navroz Dubash, Sunila Kale, and Ranjit Bhavvirkar (eds.) *Mapping Power in India* (Oxford University Press)
- Forthcoming “Distinctively Dysfunctional: State Capitalism 2.0 and the Indian Power Sector,” in Anthony D’Costa and Achin Chakraborty, *Changing Contexts and Shifting Roles: New Perspectives on the Indian State* (Springer)
- 2017 “The Limits of Liberalization: The Power Sector,” in R. Nagaraj and Sripad Motiram (eds.), *India’s Political Economy*, pp. 52–74 (Cambridge University Press)
- 2014 “Power Hungry: The State and the Troubled Transition in Indian Electricity,” in Barbara Harriss-White and Judith Heyer (eds.), *Indian Capitalism in Development*, pp. 208–225 (Routledge)
- 2011 “Diaspora,” in Roger D. Long and Arnold Kaminsky (eds.), *India Today: An Encyclopedia of Life in the Republic*, vol. 2, pp. 170–176 (ABC-CLIO)

PEER-REVIEWED WORKING PAPERS

- 2017 “Insulated Wires: The Precarious Rise of West Bengal’s Power Sector,” Working Paper, Mapping Power Project, Centre for Policy Research and Regulatory Assistance Project
- 2014 “Sustainable Development in India, Brazil and South Africa,” Oxford Department of International Development Working Paper 199 (with Carl Death and Laura Pereira)
- 2011 “Household Behaviour Determinants and Patterns in the Total Sanitation Campaign: A Case Study of Bangalore Rural District,” UNICEF India Report KCCI/2010-04 (with Abhishek Joshi, Keerthi S. Kumar, and Alicia Wolcott)

REVIEWS

- Forthcoming Review of *Rethinking Public Institutions in India*, edited by Devesh Kapur, Pratap Bhanu Mehta, and Milan Vaishnav, *Commonwealth & Comparative Politics*
- 2017 Review of *Pipe Politics, Contested Waters: Embedded Infrastructures of Millennial Mumbai*, by Lisa Björkman, *Journal of the Royal Anthropological Institute* 23(4): 843–844

POPULAR WRITING

- 2013 *Delhi: Mostly Harmless* (Random House India)
- 2011 “Time to Acknowledge the Dirty Truth Behind Community-Led Sanitation,” *The Guardian* Poverty Matters (June 9)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “Reasonable Doubt: Deliberation, Unreliable Experts, and the Problem of Public Ignorance,” revise and resubmit, *Journal of Applied Philosophy* (with Greg Lusk)
- “Electrifying the Anthropocene: Rethinking Technologies, Regions, and Dynamics” (under review)
- The Public-Private State: Electricity and India’s Transforming Political Economy* (book manuscript; book prospectus available upon request)
- “Post-Truth Numbers” (article)
- “The Distortions of Scale: How Sanitation Campaigns Go Wrong in South Asia” (article)

VISITING FELLOWSHIPS

- 2018 Residential Fellow, “Limits of the Numerical” Residential Research Group, University of California Humanities Research Institute, UC Irvine [*scheduled*]
- 2015–2017 Research Associate, School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies, University of Oxford
- 2016 Visiting Research Scholar, Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi
- 2015 Visiting Fellow, Institute for South Asia Studies, University of California at Berkeley

OTHER HONORS AND GRANTS

- 2017 Faculty Research Award for “The Logic and Politics of Climate Change,” Neubauer Collegium for Culture and Society, University of Chicago (co-recipient, \$24,000)
- Norman Cutler Research Travel Grant, University of Chicago
- 2016 Committee on Southern Asian Studies special project grant, University of Chicago
- 2015 British Association of South Asian Studies annual graduate paper prize for “Reinventing State Capitalism in India: A View from the Energy Sector”
- Radhakrishnan Memorial Bequest grant, University of Oxford
- Wolfson South Asian Research Cluster grant (two awards), Oxford
- 2014 The Oxford Research Centre in the Humanities graduate conference award
- Oxford Centre for Life-Writing graduate conference award
- 2008 Prize Fellowship (Fellowship by Examination), All Souls College, Oxford

PRESENTATIONS

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 “Comparative Energy Politics in India,” Metamorphoses of the Political workshop, Centre for Studies in Social Sciences Calcutta, Kolkata, India, January 11–12 [*scheduled*]
- 2017 “Electricity and India’s Weak-Strong State,” Energy and State Capacities in the BRICs workshop, Technische Universität Darmstadt, Germany, September 21–22
- “Energy and the Anthropocene,” Rethinking Economic History in the Anthropocene workshop, Boston College, Boston, March 24
- 2016 “Electrifying the Anthropocene,” symposium on World-Making and the Environment in the Asia-Pacific, the Australian National University, Canberra, August 25
- “The Asian Anthropocene,” symposium on Climate Change: Disciplinary Challenges to the Humanities and Social Sciences, University of Chicago, June 3
- “State Capitalism in India,” South Asia Seminar, University of Chicago, January 7
- 2015 “Liberalization as Layering: Electricity and India’s Fragmented State,” Institute for South Asia Studies Seminar, University of California at Berkeley, March 3
- 2014 “Interrogating the Pro-Business State in the Power Sector,” Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research, Mumbai, November 20
- “Power Steering: The State and the Troubled Transition in Indian Electricity,” King’s India Institute Seminar, King’s College London, February 12
- 2012 “Blind Men and the Elephant? India’s Fragmentary Capitalist State,” Capitalism and Development conference, University of Oxford, July 5
- 2010 “The Total Sanitation Campaign in Bangalore Rural District,” paper presented to the Government of Karnataka (July 27) and UNICEF India, New Delhi (August 3)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 “Electrifying the Anthropocene: Rethinking Technologies, Regions, and Dynamics,” Association for Asian Studies Emerging Fields workshop on Asia and the Anthropocene, University of Michigan in Ann Arbor, August 23–27 [*scheduled*]
- “Dominance for Development: Party Competition and India’s Welfare Turn,” Association for Asian Studies annual conference, Washington, DC, March 22–25 [*scheduled*]
- 2017 “Numbers in the Post-Truth Era: The Case of Climate Denialism,” American Studies Association annual conference, Chicago, November 9–12
- “A Lonely Light: The Precarious Rise of the West Bengal Power Sector,” Association for Asian Studies annual conference, Toronto, March 16 [*withdrawn due to illness*]
- 2016 “Institutional Resilience and State Decay in the Indian Energy Sector, 1991–2014,” Annual Conference on South Asia, University of Wisconsin-Madison, October 22
- 2016 “A Bright New World: Utopianism in Indian Energy Planning, c. 1950–2030,” The Natural Worlds of South Asia conference, Princeton University, April 29

- 2015 “Distinctively Dysfunctional: ‘State Capitalism 2.0’ and the Indian Power Sector,” Instruments of Intervention conference, Institute of Development Studies, Kolkata, December 10
- 2015 “State Capitalism in India: Continuity Amid Change,” King’s India Institute annual conference, King’s College London, April 18
- “State Capitalism in India? A View from the Energy Sector,” British Association of South Asian Studies annual conference, University of Portsmouth, April 8
- “The Third Dominant Class Revisited,” conference on The Political Economy of Development in India 30 Years On, University of Oxford, March 19
- 2011 “Alternating Currents: Indian Electricity and Discourses of Power,” British Association of South Asian Studies annual conference, University of Southampton, April 13
- 2010 “Narrating Democracy in the Commonwealth,” British Commonwealth–*Round Table* conference, SOAS, University of London, June 2 (with Mel Bunce)

CAMPUS PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 “Liberal Developmental States: India and Brazil Compared,” Workshop on Latin America and the Caribbean, University of Chicago, February 1 [*scheduled*]
- 2017 “The Populist Politics of Numbers: The Case of Donald J. Trump,” The Limits of the Numerical symposium, University of Chicago, June 27
- “On Numbers and Climate Change,” Franke Institute for the Humanities Seminar, University of Chicago, February 22
- “An Inconvenient Post-Truth: Trump, Climate Change, and Post-Objectivity,” Analytic Political Philosophy Workshop, University of Chicago, February 22
- 2016 “Magic Numbers: The Politics of Climate Targets,” The Limits of the Numerical workshop, Cambridge University, UK, July 19
- “The Asian Anthropocene: Decolonizing the ‘Age of Man,’” Midwest Faculty Seminar, University of Chicago, April 7
- 2014 “Energy Security,” Chevening–Rolls Royce India Day, Oxford, May 16
- “An Area of Darkness: The Strange Trajectory of Liberalization in the Indian Energy Sector,” Progress in South Asia workshop, University of Oxford, June 16
- 2013 “Disunited States: The Strange Case of Indian Power Policy,” Oxford Department of International Development Research Seminar, Oxford, February 11
- 2012 “India’s Nuclear Energy Policy,” Oxford International India Symposium, University of Oxford, October 20
- 2011 “Sustainable Development in India,” India-Brazil-South Africa Seminar, Oxford, June 7
- “Dreaming of Electric Sheep? Development Ideologies and Indian Electricity Policy,” South Asia Graduate Research Seminar, University of Oxford, May 25

TEACHING EXPERIENCE *(as instructor of record)*

GRADUATE TEACHING

- Environment in India, University of Oxford (team-taught lecture course, 2012–2015)
- Indian Politics since 1947, University of Oxford (seminars, Winters 2013, 2014, 2015)

GRADUATE SUPERVISION

- Working-Class Struggle in India, Graham School of Continuing Liberal and Professional Studies, University of Chicago (research course supervisor, Winter 2017)
- Supervisor, Masters dissertation, School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies, Oxford (2014)
- Departmental Lecturer in Modern Indian Studies, School of Interdisciplinary Area Studies, University of Oxford (coursework supervision, 2012)

UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING

- Politics of South Asia, University of Oxford (seminars and small-group tutorials, Fall 2012, Winter 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2015)
- The Political Economy of Development, Sarah Lawrence College Oxford Program (tutorials, Spring 2013)
- International Relations of South Asia, Sarah Lawrence College Oxford Program (tutorials, Spring 2013)

SERVICE

PROFESSIONAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Peer reviewer: Book manuscripts for Oxford University Press; article manuscripts for *Cultural Anthropology*, *Journal of Cleaner Production*, and *South Asia: Journal of South Asian Studies*.

Member, Committee on Southern Asian Studies, University of Chicago (2015–)

Selection panel, Mid-Career Fellowship awards, Independent Social Research Foundation (2016)

Secretary to the Governing Body, All Souls College, Oxford (2012–2015)

Member, General Purposes (Steering) Committee, All Souls College, Oxford (2011–2015)

Administrator, Frances Stewart Bursary Fund, Queen Elizabeth House, Oxford (2011–2015)

Organizer, outreach events for women, All Souls College, Oxford (2010–2014)

Examiner, “India, 1919–1939,” Faculty of History, University of Oxford (2013)

General Examiner, All Souls Fellowship Examinations, Oxford (2013)

Equality and Diversity Working Committee, All Souls College, Oxford (2013)

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS ORGANIZED

2017–2018 Co-convenor, Logic and Politics of Climate Change seminar, University of Chicago

- 2016–2018 Co-convener, South Asia Seminar, University of Chicago
- 2017 Co-organizer, Climate Change & the Limits of the Numerical symposium, Chicago
Co-organizer, ‘Time and the South Asian City’ preconference, Annual South Asia Conference, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2016 Co-organizer, ‘Urban Emotions and the South Asian City’ workshop, Oxford
- 2015 Organizer, conference on “*The Political Economy of Development in India: Thirty Years On*,” University of Oxford
- 2014 Co-convener, Contemporary South Asia Seminar, University of Oxford
Co-organizer, “Urban South Asia, 1850–Present” conference, University of Oxford
Convener, The Procrastination Seminar, University of Oxford
Co-organizer, “Procrastination: Cultural Explorations” conference, Oxford
- 2012–2013 Co-convener, Graduate Research Seminar, Oxford Department of International Development, University of Oxford
- 2010–2011 Convener, South Asia Graduate Colloquium, University of Oxford

POLICY EXPERIENCE

- 2016– Researcher, Mapping Power Project, Centre for Policy Research (New Delhi) and the Regulatory Assistance Project: a comparative international research collaboration
- 2014– Consultant, Oxford Analytica: on energy in South and Central Asia
- 2012 Consultant, Oxfam GB: on urban poverty strategy
- 2010–2011 Policy Research Intern, Oxfam GB: on women’s livelihoods
- 2010 UNICEF Knowledge Community on Children in India research intern, Delhi and Karnataka, India: household-survey-based sanitation project evaluation

REFERENCES

Available upon request.