

ACADEMIC RESUME

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Personal

Date of Birth: June 23, 1974
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Education

University of Wisconsin-Madison
Ph.D. - Agricultural and Applied Economics (2004)
Master's Certificate – Energy Analysis and Policy (2003)
M.Sc. – Economics (2000)

Oberlin College
B.A. – High Honors in Economics (1997)

Employment

University of California-Santa Barbara
Assistant Professor, Global & International Studies, July 2007-Present

Asian Development Bank (Manila, The Philippines)
Economist: Economics and Research Department, November 2005-June 2007
Economist: East & Central Asia Department, Energy Division, July 2004-November 2005

Published and Forthcoming academic papers:

Trade and services liberalization and wage inequality in India (with Rana Hasan) – *International Review of Economics and Finance* (forthcoming)

Overeducation in Developing Economies: How can we test for it and what does it mean? (with Jesus Felipe, Pilipinas Quising and Sheila Camingue) – *Economics of Education Review* (forthcoming)

Incomplete Property Rights, Exposure to Markets, and the Provision of Ecosystem Services in China (with Michael T. Bennett and Jintao Xu) – *China Economic Review* (available online April 2011).

Inclusiveness through Food Security: The Case of the Philippines National Food Authority (with Shikha Jha), in Juzhong Zhuang (ed.) *Inequality and Inclusive Growth in Asia: Measurement, Policy Issues and Country Studies*. Anthem Press (2010).

Why Do Diplomas Pay? An Expanded Mincerian Framework Applied to Mexico (with Hector J. Villarreal). *Applied Economics*. (December 2008)

Understanding the Coffee Crisis: What Can We Learn from Price Dynamics? (with Jean-Paul Chavas) *Journal of Development Economics* (February 2008)

Electricity Sector Reform in Central Asia: Observations on the Diverse Experiences of Five Central Asian Republics and Mongolia (with Anil Terway & Satish Rao). *Journal of Cleaner Production* (2007).

Under-Representation of Disadvantaged Classes in College: What do the Data Tell Us? (With Rana Hasan). *Economic and Political Weekly (of India)* (September 2006).

Price Dynamics in a Vertical Sector: The Case of Butter (with Jean-Paul Chavas). *American Journal of Agricultural Economics* (November 2004).

Other Professional Publications:

Effectiveness of Public Spending: The Case of Rice Subsidies in the Philippines (with Shikha Jha). Asian Development Bank, Economics and Research Department Working Paper 138.

Production Function (with Jesus Felipe) – International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences – 2nd Edition. (2008)

Power Sourcing Report: Initial Trends in the Philippines Power Market (with A. Terway, S. Gupta, N. Beronnila, and C.L. Torregosa) Sector Study for the Asian Development Bank’s Energy Sector Coordinating Committee.

Education and Structural Change in Four Asian Countries (with Jesus Felipe). In *Asian Development Outlook 2007*.

International Payments Imbalances (with Frank Harrigan and Jesus Felipe). Asian Development Bank Economics and Research Department Policy Brief 45. (2006)

A Diagnostic Review of Regulatory Approaches and Challenges: An Overview of Power Sector Reforms in Seven CAREC Member Countries (with David Butcher) – Short book published by the Asian Development Bank (2005).

The Economics and Feasibility of Electricity Generation using Manure Digesters on Small and Medium Size Dairy Farms Technical paper for the Rural Energy Issues Project, UW-Madison Extension (2002).

Several country chapters for the Asian Development Outlook on India, Hong Kong and S. Korea.

Papers Under Submission:

Rising College Premiums in Mexico: How Important is Trade? (with Belinda Acuna-Mohr)

Where have all the educated workers gone? Education and Structural Transformation in Three Asian Economies (with Jesus Felipe, Pilipinas Quising and Shiela Camingue)

Research In Progress (Results complete, working papers available or in progress)

Subsidized Food Distribution with Endogenous Quality of Service– with Shikha Jha

Pilferage from Opaque Food Subsidy Schemes – with Shikha Jha

Inter-industry Wage Differentials and Worker Heterogeneity: Evidence from Indonesia - with Wei Sun.

Trade liberalization and job quality in India – with Devashish Mitra, Rana Hasan and Reshad Ahsan

Globalization and Deglobalization of Nanotechnology Research: The role of China – with Patrick Herron and Yasuyuki Motoyama.

The Evolving Task Composition of Indian Employment– with Rana Hasan and Kirby Tardeo

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Consultancies/Appointments

Senior Collaborator – Center for Nanotechnology and Society (July 2010-Present).

Econometrician/Economist: “Social Safety Nets” – Asian Development Bank. (November 2008-March 2009)

Statistician – The Shop Consulting, Madison, Wisconsin (June-August 2004)

Recent Presentations

Food subsidy reforms in the Philippines - Indira Gandhi Institute for Development Research (Mumbai, India, 2010)

Rising college premiums in Mexico: How important is trade? - Midwest International Economic Development Conference. (Minneapolis, Minnesota, 2010)

Trends in Employment Composition and Returns to Schooling - Midwest International Economic Development Conference. (Madison, Wisconsin, 2008)

Education and Structural change in Three Asian Economies - Conference: The institutional and social dynamics of growth and distribution. (Lucca, Italy, 2008)

Responding to the Coffee Crisis: Lessons from Price Dynamics - International Food Policy Research Institute (Washington D.C., 2007)

Education and Structural change in Four Asian Economies - Eighth annual forum of the Global Development Network (Beijing, China, 2007)

Referee Reports

World Development, Metroeconomica, European Review of Agricultural Economics, Environment & Development, Asia Pacific Economic Review, International Review of Economics and Finance

Grants

Hellman Family Faculty Fellowship. \$18,000, Emerging Employment Opportunities in the Global South: Implications for Employment and Education.

UC-Santa Barbara Faculty Career Development Award – Course relief.

UC-Santa Barbara Instructional Development Grant (with Esther Lezra). \$12,000, for further development of Global Studies gateway course sequence

Public Private Infrastructure Advisory Facility. \$280,000, for establishing a 7-country electricity regulators forum.(2005-2006).

Conference Organized

First Annual Meeting of the CAREC Members’ Electricity Regulators Forum – Beijing, 2005