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SUMMARY

I am a comparative political scientist specializing in South Asian politics and political methodology, especially the application of machine learning and AI to social science. My research integrates deep learning with quasi-experimental and experimental designs to address core questions in political behavior, digital campaigning, and political persuasion.

EDUCATION

University of California, Merced 2021 - 2026 (Expected)
Ph.D. in Political Science (specialization in Political Institutions and Political Economy)

University of Bristol 2015 - 2018
B.Sc., 1st-class Honors, in Politics and International Relations

WORKING PAPERS

“Decoding Digital Campaigning with Deep Learning: Evidence from India”

“[Urbanization and the Rise of the Right in India](#)” with Aditya Dasgupta

“[Are There Spillovers in the Representation of Excluded Groups?](#)” with Aditya Dasgupta

CONFERENCES AND TALKS

“Decoding Digital Campaigning with Deep Learning: Evidence from India”. Panel presentation at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Vancouver, BC: September 11-14, 2025

“Decoding Digital Campaigning with Deep Learning: Evidence from India”. Poster presentation at the *Annual conference of the Society for Political Methodology*, Atlanta, GA: July 17-19, 2025

“Urbanization and the Rise of the Right in India”. Invited talk co-presented with Aditya Dasgupta at the *Brown-Harvard Joint Seminar on South Asian Politics*, Cambridge, MA: April 4, 2025

“Are There Spillovers in the Representation of Excluded Groups?”. Panel presentation at the *Annual Meeting of the American Political Science Association*, Los Angeles, CA: August 31 - September 3, 2023

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“AI-Enabled Policy Project (AIPP) Convening: Bringing Together Technology and Policy Experts on Using AI to Improve Policymaking” (RAND Conference Proceedings, September 4, 2025) with Emily Lathrop, Anton Shenk, Dulani Woods, Lauren Wagner, Galen Hines-Pierce, Jeff Alstott, and Casey Dugan

WORK EXPERIENCE

Lab Manager, Political Economy of Agricultural and Rural Societies Lab	2023 - Present
Summer Associate, RAND	2025

TEACHING

Instructor of Record, UC Merced, Undergraduate Courses	
Political Behavior Around the World	Summer 2025
Teaching Assistant, UC Merced, Undergraduate Courses	
Introduction to Comparative Politics	Fall 2021, Fall 2022
Introduction to Cognitive Science	Spring 2022
Understanding Political Controversies	Spring 2023

OTHER

Programming and Tools: R, Python, SQL, SPSS, Tableau, LaTeX, Qualtrics, oTree

Languages: English (native), Assamese (native), Hindi (fluent), Bengali (intermediate)

REFERENCES

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