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APPOINTMENTS University of Wisconsin–Madison
Associate Professor, Department of Political Science 2017–
Faculty Affiliate, La Follette School of Public Affairs 2011–
Faculty Affiliate, Elections Research Center 2015–
Faculty Affiliate, Center for South Asia 2011–
Assistant Professor, Department of Political Science 2011–2017
Trice Faculty Fellow, Department of Political Science 2013–2016

Princeton University
Visiting Fellow, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics 2010/11

EDUCATION Stanford University
PhD, Political Science 2010
Fields: Comparative Politics, Political Institutions, Political Methodology (minor)
Dissertation: “Political Inequality: Effects and Remedies”
Committee: David Laitin (chair), Alberto Diaz-Cayeros, Jonathan Rodden, and
Jeremy Weinstein
MA, Economics 2008

London School of Economics and Political Science
MSc, Development Studies 2003

Yale University
BA, Economics and Political Science (with distinction) 2000

PEER-REVIEWED BOOK 1. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Bethany Lacina. 2019. *Nativism and Economic Integration Across the Developing World: Collision and Accommodation*. Cambridge University Press, *Cambridge Elements: Political Economy* series, ed. David Stasavage.

PEER-REVIEWED ARTICLES 12. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Alexander Lee. Forthcoming. “Does Affirmative Action Worsen Bureaucratic Performance? Evidence from the Indian Administrative Service.” *American Journal of Political Science*.
11. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Francesca Jensenius. 2019. “Voting for Development? Ruling Coalitions and Literacy in India.” *Electoral Studies* 62: 1–13.
10. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Alexander Lee. 2018. “Local Embeddedness and Bureaucratic Performance: Evidence from India.” *Journal of Politics* 80(1): 71–87.
9. Bhavnani, Rikhil R. 2018. “The Effects of Malapportionment on Cabinet Inclusion: Subnational Evidence from India.” *British Journal of Political Science* 48(1): 69–89.
8. Bhavnani, Rikhil R. 2017. “Do the Effects of Temporary Ethnic Group Quotas Persist? Evidence from India.” *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 9(3): 105–123.

7. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Bethany Lacina. 2017. "Fiscal Federalism at Work? Central Responses to Internal Migration in India." *World Development* 93: 236–248.
6. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Bethany Lacina. 2015. "The Effects of Rainfall-Induced Migration on Sons of the Soil Violence in India." *World Politics* 67(4): 760–794.
5. Baldwin, Kate and Rikhil R. Bhavnani. 2015. "Ancillary Studies of Experiments: Opportunities and Challenges." *Journal of Globalization and Development* 6(1): 113–146.
4. Bazzi, Samuel and Rikhil R. Bhavnani. 2015. "Response to Roodman "A Replication of 'Counting Chickens When They Hatch.'" " *Public Finance Review* 43(2): 282–286.
3. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Saumitra Jha. 2014. "Gandhi's Gift: Lessons for peaceful reform from India's struggle for democracy." *The Economics of Peace and Security Journal* 9(1): 76–88.
2. Clemens, Michael C., Steven Radelet, Rikhil R. Bhavnani, and Samuel Bazzi. 2012. "Counting Chickens When They Hatch: Disaggregated Aid and Growth." *The Economic Journal* 122(561): 590–617.
 - Winner of the Royal Economic Society prize for the best paper published in *The Economic Journal* in 2012
1. Bhavnani, Rikhil R. 2009. "Do Electoral Quotas Work After They Are Withdrawn? Evidence from a Natural Experiment in India." *American Political Science Review* 103(1): 23–35.
 - Winner of the 2010 Marjorie Lozoff Essay Prize, awarded by the Clayman Institute for Gender Research

OTHER
PUBLICATIONS

4. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Francesca Jensenius. 2015. "Socio-economic Profiles of India's Old Electoral Constituencies, 1971–2001." In *Fixing Electoral Boundaries in India: Laws, Processes, Outcomes and Implications for Political Representation*, ed. M. S. Alam and K. C. Sivaramakrishnan. New Delhi: Oxford University Press.
3. Baldwin, Kate and Rikhil R. Bhavnani. 2011. "Secondary Analyses of Experiments: Opportunities and Challenges." *APSA-Comparative Democratization Newsletter* (October).
2. Radelet, Steven, Michael Clemens, and Rikhil Bhavnani. 2006. "Aid and Growth: The Current Debate and Some New Evidence." In *The Macroeconomic Management of Foreign Aid: Opportunities and Pitfalls*, ed. P. Isard. Washington, DC: International Monetary Fund.
1. Radelet, Steven, Michael Clemens, and Rikhil R. Bhavnani. 2005. "Aid and Growth." *Finance and Development* 42(3).
 - Reprinted in *Annual Editions: Developing World 07/08*, edited by Robert J. Griffiths, November 2006. Columbus, OH: McGraw-Hill.

IN-PROGRESS

6. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Saumitra Jha. *Gandhi's Gift: Non-violent Methods for Radical Institutional Change*. Book manuscript.
5. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Mark Copelovitch. "The Political Impact of Monetary Shocks: Evidence from India's 2016 Demonetization."

4. Bhavnani, Rikhil R. “The Effects of Malapportionment on Economic Development: Evidence from India’s 2008 Redistricting.”
3. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Noam Lupu. “Oil Windfalls and the Political Resource Curse: Evidence from a Natural Experiment in Brazil.”
2. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., and Saumitra Jha. “Forging a Non-Violent Mass Movement: Economic Shocks and Organizational Innovations in India’s Struggle for Democracy.”
1. Bhavnani, Rikhil R., Anirvan Chowdhury and Gareth Nellis. “Television, Cultural Change, and the Rise of Religious Nationalism in India.”

SOFTWARE Bhavnani, Rikhil R. 2009. “RB-AMIN.exe: A Tool to “Fuzzy” Match Indian Names.” Stanford, CA: Stanford University.

INVITED TALKS	Harvard–Brown–MIT South Asia Seminar	COVID–2020
	Stanford University Center for South Asia	COVID–2020
	Vanderbilt University Comparative Politics	2018
	Brown Development and Governance Seminar	2017
	University of Michigan Comparative Politics	2016
	University of Notre Dame Keough School	2016
	UW–Madison La Follette School of Public Affairs Seminar Series	2016
	Yale Leitner Political Economy Seminar	2016
	Columbia Comparative Politics Seminar	2015
	University of Illinois at Urbana–Champaign Political Science Speaker Series	2015
	UW–Madison AAE Development Economics Workshop	2015
	University of Rochester Comparative Politics Workshop	2013
	New York University External Speaker Series	2012
	George Mason Public Choice Seminar	2011
	Princeton Center for the Study of Democratic Politics Seminar	2010, 2011
	Harvard–Brown–MIT South Asia Seminar	2011
	Columbia Seminar for the Study of Development Strategies	2011
	Yale Comparative Politics Seminar	2009
	University of British Columbia	2009
	Dartmouth College	2009
	Delhi University	2009
	Stanford Comparative Politics Workshop	2007, 2008
	United States Treasury	2004
	American University Department of Economics Research Seminar	2004
	International Monetary Fund Chief Economist’s Office	2004
	World Bank, Office of the Chief Economist	2004
	United States Agency for International Development	2004

CONFERENCES	<i>Invited</i>	
	CEPREMAP India–China Conference at Warwick	2019
	Stanford Quality of Governance conference	2018
	MIT Governance Lab Political Behavior of Development conference	2017
	East-West Center Governance, Internal Migration, and Urbanization conference	2017
	University of Michigan Accountability and Development conference	2015
	Center for the Advanced Study of India Political Economy workshop	2014–15
	Stanford-in-Beijing Challenges in the Process of Urbanization conference	2014
	IIM-Pittsburgh-Yale Political Economy Conference	2011
	Stanford South Asia Conference	2009

Other

American Political Science Association annual meetings	2009–11, 2013–19
Midwest Political Science Association annual meetings	2008–10, 2012–15, 2017–18
European Political Science Association annual meeting	2016–18
Public Management Research Conference	2017
International Political Economy Society annual meetings	2010–11, 2014, 2016–17
Annual Conference on South Asia	2013–17
Annual World Bank Conference on Development Economics	2012, 2016
Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics annual meetings	2011, 2013
Autonomous University of Barcelona workshop on attitudinal change	2012
Society for Political Methodology	2009
Cornell/ISSER Ghana at the Half Century Conference	2004

FIELDWORK

Mumbai	4, 9/2006, 1/2011, 1/2016
New Delhi	7–8/2007, 9/2008–3/2009, 8/2010, 1/2011, 12/2012, 1/2014
Lucknow	8/2010
Bangalore	8/2007
London	1/2014

TEACHING

Undergraduate

Indian Politics in Comparative Perspective
Political Inequality
Political Economy of Development

Graduate

Empirical Methods of Political Inquiry
Political Inequality
Political Economy of Development

Current graduate students (indicates committees chaired)*

Priyadarshi Amar *
Shaan Amin
Camila Angulo *
Kaitlyn Carter
Dmitry Kofanov
Molly Minden
Evan Morier *
Anton Shirikov
Irène Tombo
Delgerjargal Uvsh
Chagai Weiss *

Former Ph.D. Students (initial job placements)

Adam Auerbach (American University)
Nicholas Barnes (Brown University Watson postdoc)
Sarah Bouchat (Northwestern University)
Meina Cai (University of Connecticut)
Hannah Chapman (Miami University)
Desiree Desierto (University of Rochester Wallis Institute postdoc)
Ning Leng (Georgetown University McCourt)
Kyle Marquardt (V-Dem Institute postdoc)
Maayan Mor (University of Barcelona IPERG postdoc)
Jeffrey Paller (University of San Francisco)
Kerry Ratigan (Amherst College)
Camilla Reuterswaerd (Freie Universität Berlin postdoc)

Emily Sellars (Texas A&M University Bush School)
Samantha Vortherms (University of California, Irvine)
Zachary Warner (Cardiff University postdoc)

Undergraduate thesis

Roseanne Lais (William Jennings Bryan award for best undergraduate thesis)

SERVICE

Department

Member, Graduate Admissions and Fellowships Committee	2017/18–2018/19
Member, Political Methodology Search Committee	2018/19
Secretary, Department Executive Committee	2017/18
Coordinator, UW–Madison Comparative Politics Colloquium	2012/13, 2016/17
Coordinator, UW–Madison Political Economy Colloquium	2013/14, 2015/16–16/17, 2020/21–
Member, Lectures and Colloquia Committee	2012/13–16/17
Secretary, Department	2011/12

University

Member, Annual Conference on South Asia program committee	2013–2018
Member, Faculty Senate	Fall 2014
Member, Center for South Asia Advisory Board, UW–Madison	2012/13

Discipline

Editorial Board Member, <i>Asian Survey</i>	2019–
Chair, McGillivray Award Committee, APSA Political Economy Section	2019
Hallet Award Committee, APSA Representation and Electoral Systems Section	2019
Chair, Representation and Electoral Systems, MPSA meetings	2017/18
Chair, Economic Development Section, MPSA meetings	2014/15
Secretary, Section on Experimental Research, APSA	2012

Press Referee

Oxford University Press

Funding Referee

National Science Foundation

European Research Council

Journal Referee

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics

American Economic Review

American Journal of Political Science

American Political Science Review

British Journal of Political Science

Center for Global Development Working Paper Series

Comparative Political Studies

Comparative Politics

Economic Development and Cultural Change

The Economic Journal

Economics & Politics

International Organization

International Studies Quarterly

Journal of African Economies

Journal of Conflict Resolution

Journal of Development Economics

Journal of Development Studies

Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization

Journal of Experimental Political Science

Journal of Human Resources
Journal of Peace Research
Journal of Policy Analysis and Management
Journal of Politics
Legislative Studies Quarterly
Political Behavior
Public Opinion Quarterly
Review of Economic & Statistics
Studies in Comparative International Development
Studies in Indian Politics
Social Science Research
The Review of International Organizations
World Development
World Politics

Other

	Expert Member, International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie)	2012–
AWARDS	Royal Economic Society prize for best paper published in <i>The Economic Journal</i>	2012
	Marjorie Lozoff Essay Prize, Clayman Institute for Gender Research	2010
	Elected to Pi Sigma Alpha, national political science honor society	2000
FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS	UW–Madison Vilas Associates Award	2019–2020
	UW–Madison Faculty Professional Development Grant	2019/20
	UW–Madison Faculty Sabbatical Leave Grant	2019/20
	UW–Madison Political Science Spring Research Competition	2016–17
	UW–Madison Graduate School Fall Research Competition	2011–2014, 2016
	UW–Madison Vilas Faculty Early Career Investigator Award	2016
	Robert Wood Johnson Course Development Grant	2013
	International Growth Centre Award, with Luke Condra	2011
	National Science Foundation Dissertation Improvement Grant	2009
	Stanford University Richard W. Weiland Graduate Fellowship	2008–10
	Stanford University Vice Provost Graduate Dissertation Grant	2008
	Stanford University Graduate Research Opportunity Grant	2008
	Stanford University Graduate Student Fellowship	2005–10
	Overseas Development Institute Fellowship (declined)	2003–05
SKILLS	Hindi	
	R, STATA, Visual Basic, ArcGIS	
AFFILIATIONS	Visiting Scholar, Centre de Sciences Humaines, New Delhi	8/2010
	Research Scholar, Political Science, Delhi University	2008/09
	Member, American and Midwest Political Science Associations	2005–

CONSULTING	SAGE: Synergistic Anticipation of Geopolitical Events	2017–18
NON-ACADEMIC POSITIONS	Center for Global Development, Washington, DC	2003–05
	International Monetary Fund, Washington, DC	2000–02

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