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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, Tenure-Track, 2016 to Present
Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies

EDUCATION

PhD, Political Science, Columbia University, 2016
-Winner of Mancur Olson Award, Best Dissertation, Political Economy Section, American Political Science Association (2018)

MPhil, Political Science, Columbia University, 2012
MA, Political Science, Columbia University, 2011
MPP, The Goldman School, UC Berkeley, 2008
Msc, National University of Singapore, 2002
BBA (Hons.), National University of Singapore, 2000

BOOK PROJECT

Suryanarayan, Pavithra, "Status and Redistributive Politics."

PUBLICATIONS

- 1) Kasara, Kimuli and Pavithra Suryanarayan. "Bureaucratic Capacity and Class Voting: Evidence from Across the World and the United States." *Journal of Politics*. Conditional Accept.
- 2) Suryanarayan, Pavithra "When do the Poor Vote for the Right-Wing and Why: Status Hierarchy and Vote Choice in the Indian States," *Comparative Political Studies*. Forthcoming.
-Winner of "Worth a Thousand Words" contest, Fall 2017, The Political Economist, APSA Political Economy Newsletter.
-The article was featured in [The Hindu](#) and [Live Mint](#).
- 3) Huber, John and Pavithra Suryanarayan. 2016. "Ethnic Inequality and the Ethnification of Political Parties: Evidence from India," *World Politics* 68(1).
- 4) Jensenius, Francesca and Pavithra Suryanarayan. 2015. "Fragmentation and Decline in India's State Assemblies: A Review 1967 – 2007," *Asian Survey* 55(5).
- 5) Kasara, Kimuli and Pavithra Suryanarayan. 2015. "When do the Rich Vote Less than the Poor and Why?: Explaining Turnout Inequality across the World," *American Journal of Political Science* 59(3): 613-627.
-Winner of 2016 GESIS Klingemann Prize for the Best CSES Scholarship.
-The article was discussed on the [Monkey Cage](#) and the [Daily Dish](#).
- 6) Chhibber, Pradeep, Francesca Jensenius and Pavithra Suryanarayan. 2014. "Party Organization and Party Proliferation in India," *Party Politics* 20(4): 489-505.
- 7) Suryanarayan, Pavithra. "Hollowing Out the State: Status Hierarchy and Fiscal Capacity in Colonial India."
- 8) Suryanarayan, Pavithra and Steven White "Slavery, Reconstruction, and Bureaucratic Capacity in the American South."

UNDER RE- VIEW / WORKING PAPERS

- 9) Gaikwad, Nikhar and Pavithra Suryanarayan "Economic and Ethnic Dimensions of Trade Preferences: Evidence from India."
- 10) Jensenius, Francesca and Pavithra Suryanarayan. "Party Institutionalization and Economic Voting: Evidence from India."

11) Jensenius, Francesca and Pavithra Suryanarayan. "What Explains Electoral Switching in the Indian states?"

DATA
COLLECTION

12) India-Pakistan Partition, Migration, and Fiscal Capacity in the Indian Districts (with Volha Charnysh, MIT)

13) When do Politicians Mobilize Poor Voters? State Capacity, Economic Inequality, and Clientelism (with Kimuli Kasara, Columbia)

14) Tax Preferences in Ranked Societies (with Neelanjan Sircar, Center for Policy Research)

15) The Wasted Vote: Status and Vote-choice in the Indian States (with Francesca Jensenius, NUPI)

GRANTS,
AWARDS AND
FELLOWSHIPS

Winner of Mancur Olson Award for the best political economy dissertation, APSA 2018
 Winner of GESIS Klingemann Prize for "When do the Rich Vote Less than the Poor", 2016
 International Field Research Grant, GSAS, Columbia University, 2013-2014
 Mellon Interdisciplinary Graduate Fellow, INCITE, 2013-2014 (declined)
 CDTR Summer Grant, Columbia University, 2012
 ISERP Fellow, Columbia University, 2011-2013
 Faculty Fellowship, GSAS, Columbia University, 2009-2014
 Ministry of Education Scholar, National University of Singapore, 2001-02
 Singapore Airlines Scholar, National University of Singapore, 1996-2000
 Dean's List, National University of Singapore, 1998-2000

TEACHING

Political Economy of Inequality, Spring 2017, Spring 2019, SAIS
 Political Economy of India, Fall 2015, Spring 2017, Spring 2019, SAIS
 Comparative Politics, Fall 2016, Fall 2018, SAIS
 TA-African Politics, Spring 2011, Columbia University
 TA-Intro to American Politics, Fall 2010, Columbia University
 TA-Microeconomics for Public Policy, Spring 2008, UC Berkeley
 TA-Intro to Macroeconomics, Spring 2007, UC Berkeley

INVITED TALKS
2019

Comparative Politics Seminar, MIT
 Seminar in Representation and Identity Politics, University of Pittsburgh
 Center for Comparative and International Studies Colloquium, University of Zurich
 Quality of Government Lunch Seminar Series, University of Gothenburg
 Political Science Department, University of Oslo

2018

Center for the Advanced Study of India, University of Pennsylvania (scheduled)
 Historical Political Economy Conference, LSE
 Political Economy Workshop, Georgetown
 Comparative Politics Workshop, George Washington University
 International Affairs Research Workshop, Texas A & M Bush School of Government

2017

Brown-Harvard-MIT Seminar on South Asian Politics
 Department of Political Science, UC San Diego
 Historical Political Economy Workshop, SAIS, Johns Hopkins University
 Historical Political Economy Workshop, Stanford University
 Comparative Politics Colloquium, UC Berkeley
 Department of Political Science, Yale University

2016

Preferences Over Redistribution Workshop, Duke University

	<p>Group-Based Inequalities Workshop, UNU-WIDER , Helsinki Indian Political Economy Workshop, Carnegie Endowment for Peace Indian Electoral Politics Workshop, Carnegie Endowment for Peace</p>
2015	<p>Party Organization and Party Politics Workshop, Duke University Fiscal Capacity Workshop, Peking University Politics and Political Economy Seminar, Johns Hopkins University, SAIS</p>
2014	<p>School of Advanced International Studies, Johns Hopkins University Department of Government, London School of Economics Department of Political Science, University of Southern California Department of Political Science, Stanford University Comparative Politics Workshop, Columbia University</p>
CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS	<p>American Political Science Association 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2011 European Political Science Association 2014, 2013 Midwest Political Science Association 2014, 2013, 2012 Madison South Asia Conference 2017, 2015 Politics and History Conference, Yale, 2014 International Political Economy Society Annual Conference, MIT, 2018</p>
ACADEMIC SERVICE	<p>Journal reviewer for the <i>American Journal of Political Science</i>, <i>American Political Science Review</i>, <i>British Journal of Political Science</i>, <i>Comparative Political Studies</i>, <i>Democratization</i>, <i>Electoral Studies</i>, <i>Government and Opposition</i>, <i>Journal of Comparative Politics</i>, <i>Journal of Development Studies</i>, <i>Journal</i> <i>of Elections</i>, <i>Public Opinion</i>, and <i>Parties</i>, <i>Journal of Race, Ethnicity, and Politics</i>, <i>Journal of Politics</i>, <i>Party Politics</i>, <i>Political Behavior</i>, <i>Political Research Quarterly</i>, <i>Public Choice</i>, <i>World Politics</i></p> <p>Book Reviewer for Cambridge University Press</p> <p>Section Head, Comparative Politics of Developing Countries, MPSA 2018</p> <p>Committee for Best Paper on Comparative Policy, Public Policy Section, APSA 2018</p>
PROFESSIONAL	<p>Associate Fellow at Lokniti, CSDS, Delhi, 2008-2009 Consultant, World Bank, New Delhi, 2007-2009 Associate Director, Economist Intelligence Unit, Hong Kong, 2004-2006 News Assistant, CNBC Asia, Singapore, 2000</p>
LANGUAGE AND COMPUTER SKILLS	<p>Speak Tamil and Hindi fluently R, STATA and SPSS</p>

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