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PROFESSIONAL PROFILE

- Skilled in adapting to students' diverse learning styles
- Committed to creating a classroom atmosphere that is stimulating and encouraging to students
- Acknowledge and support diversity, equity, and inclusion
- Awarded with **Graduate Teaching Award** for undergraduate teaching excellence
- Demonstrated high aptitude for economic research and awarded with **Best Graduate Student Paper Award**

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, Kansas State University Expected Completion, May 2019
Dissertation: "Essays on Vertical Integration in Carbonated Soft Drink Industry"
Dissertation committee:
Dr. Philip Gayle (Chair) Dr. Leilei Shen
Dr. Jin Wang Dr. Tian Xia

M.A. in Economics, Western Illinois University (*with distinction*) 2013
M.A. in Economics, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka 2012
B.A. in Economics (Specialized Econometrics), University of Colombo, Sri Lanka (*Summa Cum Laude*) 2009

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Primary Instructor, Department of Economics, Kansas State University Aug. 2015 - Present
Courses taught:
Principles of Macroeconomics: Fall 2015, Summer 2016, Spring (2017, 2018)
Intermediate Macroeconomics: Fall 2016
Intermediate Microeconomics: Spring 2016
Money and Banking: Summer (2017, 2018), Fall 2018

Tutor, Department of Economics, Kansas State University Aug. 2015 - Dec. 2015

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, Kansas State University Jan. 2014 - July 2015

Graduate level

Macroeconomics I

Undergraduate level

Intermediate Macroeconomics, Intermediate Microeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics,
Principles of Microeconomics, Principles of Transportation

Lecturer, Department of Business Economics, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka Dec. 2009 - June 2012

Courses taught: Econometrics, Mathematical Economics, Comparative Economics, Microeconomics, and
Statistical Software: STATA, Eviews, and SPSS

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Industrial Organization, Applied Econometrics, Labor Economics, Development Economics

RESEARCH

Peer-reviewed Publications:

1. **Indika, N.** (2018). Does marriage affect men's labor market outcomes? A semi-parametric longitudinal analysis", forthcoming in the *Journal of International and Global Economic Studies*
2. Chandrasiri, S., & **Indika, .N.** (2013). Industrial Productivity for Sustained Growth: The Case of Sri Lankan Manufacturing Industries, *Sri Lanka Economics Journal*
3. Gunaruwan, T.L., **Indika, .N.** & Gajanayake, A. (2012). Scope for Effective Energy Conservation Practices in the Information and Communication Technology Industry, *Sri Lanka Economics Journal*

Working Papers:

"Does vertical integration in the U.S. Carbonated Soft Drinks industry lead to anticompetitive effects?" 2018, (with Philip Gayle) [Job market paper]

"The competitive effects of vertical contracts between manufacturers and bottlers: Evidence from the U.S. Carbonated Soft Drinks Industry" 2018, (with Philip Gayle)

"Publication bias: Evidence from the men's marriage premium" 2016, winner of the **Best Graduate Student Paper Award**, Department of Economics, Kansas State University, 2016

Work in Progress:

"Decomposition of price effect for vertical integration in the U.S. Carbonated Soft Drinks industry" (with Philip Gayle)

"Does dynamics of food stamp participation matter?"

Technical Publication:

Apland, K., Blitz, B. K., Calabia, D., Fielder, M., Hamilton, C., **Indika, N.**, ... & Yarrow, E. (2014) "Birth registration and children's rights: a complex story.", *Plan International*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Consultant:

The Plan International, UK

June 2013 - Aug. 2013

- Involved in a multi-country research project (India, Kenya, Sierra Leone, and Vietnam)
- Assisted research team by analyzing three large data sets
- Applied non-parametric techniques to explore the birth registration

The World Bank

Jan. 2010 - July 2010

- Assisted the research team related to the analytical process, literature searches, compiling data, data analysis, and technical writing

Research Analyst:

Institute of Health Policy, Sri Lanka

Nov. 2008 - Feb. 2009

- Analyzed a comprehensive health system data set on the Maldives with Dr. Ravi P. Rannan-Eliya
- Applied GIS mapping for health data in Sri Lanka
- Coordinated with senior researches and performed various tasks associated with conducting research and analyzing collected data

Ceylon Chamber of Commerce, Economic Intelligence Unit

Feb. 2008 - May 2008

- Worked on different projects relating to Small and Medium Enterprise (SME) initiated by German Technical Cooperation Agency (GTZ)
- Provided in-depth analysis on the macro-economy, trade, and taxes
- Examined private sector issues, constraints, and opportunities of local and international network
- Provided bespoke reports for policy advocacy

AWARDS, HONORS, AND SCHOLARSHIPS

Graduate Teaching Award for undergraduate teaching excellence, Department of Economics, Kansas State University	2018
Phi Kappa Phi membership	2018
College of Arts & Sciences Graduate Student Research Travel Award, Kansas State University	2018
Best Graduate Student Paper Award, Department of Economics, Kansas State University	2016
Economics and Decision Sciences Travel Award, Western Illinois University	2013
Principal Recipient of Fulbright Scholarship	2012-2013
Best Undergraduate Student Paper Award, Sri Lanka Economic Association	2009
Professor of Economics Gold Medal, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka	2009
M.W.Jayasuriya Memorial prize for gaining the best results in Economics, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka	2007-2009
Neil Bandaranayake Memorial prize for gaining the best results in Economics, University of Colombo, Sri Lanka	2007-2009

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED SEMINAR

Southern Economic Association, 88 th Annual Meeting, Washington, DC	2018
Washington University in St. Louis, 13 th Annual Economics Graduate Students conference	2018
Department of Economics, University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS	2018
Missouri Valley Economic Association, 50 th Annual Meeting, Kansas City, MO	2013
Illinois Economics Association/DePaul University, 43 rd Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL	2013

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Service to professional conferences:

Discussant, Southern Economic Association, 88 th Annual Meeting, Washington, DC	2018
Discussant, Illinois Economics Association, 43 rd Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL	2013
Discussant, Missouri Valley Economic Association, 50 th Annual Meeting, MO	2013

Referee services: Colombo Business Journal

PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

The Association of College and University Educators (ACUE)'s Certificate in Effective College Instruction Archives Expected Completion Mar. 2019
Graduate Teaching Assistant Recognition of Achievement in Professional Development, Teaching & Learning Center, Kansas State University 2017-2018

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Economic Association, Econometric Society, Fulbright Association, Southern Economic Association
Illinois Economic Association, Sri Lanka Economist Association

COMPUTER SKILLS AND DATA SCIENCE

Econometric Software: SATA, MATLAB, R, Mathematica, SAS, SPSS, Eviews, RATS, GAUSS, ArcGIS
Typography: LaTeX, Scientific WorkPlace, Microsoft Office
Modern Data Science: Machine Learning, Big Data processing, Parallel Programming

REFERENCES

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