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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

Sept 2021 - *Postdoctoral Scholar, Gender Equality Metrics Team*
Institute for Health Metrics & Evaluation (IHME)
University of Washington

EDUCATION

2021 **University of Washington, Seattle**
Ph.D. Public Policy and Management

2020 **University of Washington, Seattle**
Graduate Certificate in Demographic Methods

2011 **University of California, Santa Barbara**
M.A. Global & International Studies

2007 **University of Pune, Fergusson College**
B.A. Economics

Research Interests

Maternal & Child Health, Women's Empowerment, Development Economics, Demography

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed

1. Anderson, C. L., Reynolds, T. W., Biscaye, P., **Patwardhan, V.**, & Schmidt, C. (2020). Economic Benefits of Empowering Women in Agriculture: Assumptions and Evidence. *The Journal of Development Studies*, 1-16.
2. IHME Gender Equality Metrics Team. (*Forthcoming*). Quantifying the Effects of the COVID-19 Pandemic on Gender Equality in Health, Social, and Economic Indicators: A Comprehensive Review. *The Lancet*.

Reports

3. [Economic Benefits of Empowering Women in Agriculture: Assumptions and Evidence](#) with C. Leigh Anderson, Travis Reynolds, Pierre Biscaye, Margaret Beetstra, Matthew Fowle and Daniel Lunchick-Seymour.

WORKING PAPERS

- Patwardhan, Vedavati. “Cash Benefits for All? Heterogeneous Effects of a Universal Maternal Cash Transfer in India” (*Under Review*)
- Patwardhan, Vedavati. “Income Source and Family Structure as Predictors of Women’s Control over Income: Evidence from Malawi” (*Dissertation Paper*)
- Patwardhan, Vedavati. “The Effect of Drought Shocks on Women’s Control over Income: Evidence from Malawi” (*Dissertation Paper*)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- 2022 APPAM Fall Research Conference, *Austin, TX (scheduled)*
Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, *Atlanta, GA (scheduled)*
- 2021 Women and Gender in Development (WGD) Conference, *Virginia Tech*
Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Meeting, *St. Louis, MO*
Association for Public Policy and Management (APPAM) Student Research Online Seminar Series
Cultivating Equality Conference, *CGIAR/Wageningen University, Netherlands*
- 2020 UW Center for Studies in Demography & Ecology (CSDE) Lightning Talk Series
APPAM Fall Research Conference, *Washington, D.C.*
IFPRI “Delivering for Nutrition in India: Insights from Implementation Research” Virtual Conference
APPAM International Conference, *Toronto, Canada*
Interdisciplinary Association for Population Health Science (IAPHS) Annual Conference, *Minneapolis, MN*
- 2018 APPAM Fall Research Conference, *Washington, D.C.*

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2021 Dissertation Grant, Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy
Marc Lindenberg Center Global Action Prize, UW Seattle
- 2020 Best Poster Award, UW CSDE Lightning Talk Series
- 2019-2021 Diversity Alliance Fellowship, UW Seattle
- 2018 Equity & Inclusion Fellowship, Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management
- 2008 Central Small Department Regents Fellowship, UC Santa Barbara
- 2008-2010 Orfalea Family Foundation Fellowship, UC Santa Barbara

WORK IN PROGRESS

Patwardhan, Vedavati “The Consequences of Seasonal Hunger in Low and Middle-Income Countries: A Theoretical Framework”

Patwardhan, Vedavati & Vincent, Jeffrey “Climate Shocks, Tree Growing, and Migration: Evidence from Malawi”

Patwardhan, Vedavati & Kim, Yulan “Towards Greater Inclusion of Caregivers in Higher Education: A Qualitative Analysis of Virtual Conference Experiences of Female Academics with Young Children during COVID-19”

MEDIA COVERAGE

1. Evans School News, 2021. “Interview with Horowitz Foundation Grant Awardee Vedavati Patwardhan on Maternal Cash Transfers’ Impact on Child Nutrition”. Available at <https://evans.uw.edu/interview-with-horowitz-foundation-grant-awardee-vedavati-patwardhan-on-maternal-cash-transfers-impact-on-child-nutrition/>

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

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| 2020 – 2021 | <i>Research Assistant</i> <i>Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology (CSDE)</i> <i>University of Washington</i> Translated demographic research findings into accessible stories focused on policy impacts; published weekly content to a global audience of 5,000 subscribers. |
| 2017 – 2020 | <i>Teaching Assistant</i> <i>Evans School of Public Policy and Governance</i> <i>University of Washington</i> PUBPOL 526: Program Evaluation (MPA core) PUBPOL 517: Economics for Policy Analysis & Management (MPA core) PUBPOL 201: Introduction to Public Policy (Undergraduate elective) |
| 2016 – 2018 | <i>Research Assistant</i> <i>Evans School Policy Analysis and Research (EPAR) Group</i> <i>University of Washington</i> Created Agricultural Development Indicators using World Bank Malawi Living Standards Measurement Study (LSMS) survey data; Reviews of topical economic literature on women’s empowerment in agriculture. |
| 2012 – 2016 | <i>Team Lead and Production Editor, German Language</i> <i>Springer Nature, Pune, India</i> Led a team of ten Production Editors for academic German language book production; recruitment and training of team members; German-English liaison with authors and editors; translation and proofreading. |
| 2009 – 2010 | <i>Teaching Assistant</i> <i>University of California, Santa Barbara</i> |

GLOBL 130: Global Economy & Development (Undergraduate core)
GLOBL 1: Global History, Culture & Ideology (Undergraduate core)

2009

Intern

The Eleos Foundation, Montecito, CA

Conducted onsite due diligence at Safe Drinking Water (SDW) program of grantee in India. Produced detailed report for further grant allocation.

LANGUAGES, SOFTWARE, CERTIFICATIONS

Native: English, Marathi

Advanced: Hindi, German

Beginner: French, Spanish

Statistical Software: Stata, R

Certifications

2021

PhD Concentration in Statistics

Center for Statistics & the Social Sciences, UW Seattle

2019

Certificate, Institute for Qualitative & Multi-Method Research
Syracuse University

2008

Advanced German (Level C2)
Goethe Institute, Pune, India

SERVICE

2021

Mentor, Women in Economics and Policy Group

2020

Panel Session Chair, APPAM Fall Research Conference

2019 – 2020

Evans School Research Committee

2009 – 2010

Associate Editor, Journal of Environment and Development

REFERENCES

Dr. C. Leigh Anderson

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Evans School of Public Policy & Governance
University of Washington
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Dr. Mary Kay Gugerty

Nancy Bell Evans Professor
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