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Academic degrees

- Ph.D. Economics, University of Arizona (2007)
- M.A. Economics, University of Arizona (2005)
- M.S. Agricultural & Resource Economics, University of Arizona (2003)
- M.A. Economics, Delhi School of Economics, Delhi University (2000)
- B.A. Economics, Delhi University (1997)

Academic employment

- Professor, Department of Economics, University of Utah (2023 -)
- Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Utah (2015 - 2023)
- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Utah (2008 - 2015)
- Post-Doctoral Fellow, The Earth Institute, Columbia University (2007 - 2008)

Affiliations

- Affiliated faculty, Asian Studies Program, University of Utah
- Affiliated faculty, Global Change & Sustainability Center, University of Utah

Visiting fellow

- Centre for Advanced Studies, Jadavpur University, West Bengal, India (October 2017)
- Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India (August 2017)

Research areas

- Environment, Resource & Food
- Behavioral Economics
- Gendered well-being

Teaching experience

- *Graduate*: Environmental Economics, Applied Econometrics
- *Undergraduate*: Applied Statistics and Econometrics, South Asian Economic History

Journal articles

Environment, Resource, & Food

- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Innes, Robert (2008) An Empirical Exploration of the Population-Environment Nexus in India. *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 90(4): 883-901.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Lueck, Dean (2009) The Role of Property Rights in Determining the Environmental Quality-Income Relationship. *Ecological Economics*, 68(10): 2511-2524.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Innes, Robert (2013) Income and the Environment in Rural India: Is There a Poverty Trap? *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 95(1): 42-69.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Osgood, Daniel (2014) Weather Index Insurance and Common Property Resources. *Agricultural and Resource Economics Review*, 43(3): 438-450.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Innes, Robert (2016) Concentration, Product Variety and Entry-for-Merger: Evidence from New Product Introductions in the U.S. Food Industry. *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 98(5): 1360-1376.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2019) Do pro-social students care more for the environment? *International Journal of Sustainability in Higher Education*, 20(4): 761-783.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2020) Environmental and Socio-economic Sustainability in India: Evidence from CO_2 Emission and Economic Inequality Relationship. *Journal of Environmental Economics and Policy*, 9(1): 57-76.

Behavioral Economics

- Dugar, Subhasish; Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Reiley, David (2012) Can't Buy Me Love? A Field Experiment Exploring the Trade-off Between Income and Caste-Status in an Indian Matrimonial Market. *Economic Inquiry*, 50(2): 534-550.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Dugar, Subhasish (2012) Status Incentives and Performance. *Managerial and Decision Economics*, 33(7-8): 549-563.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Dugar, Subhasish (2013) Contests for Ranks: Experimental Evidence. *Southern Economic Journal*, 79(3): 621-638.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Dugar, Subhasish (2014) Partnership Formation: The Role of Social Status. *Management Science*, 60(5): 1130-1147.
- Dugar, Subhasish & Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2017) Fishy Behavior: A Field Experiment on (Dis)honesty in the Marketplace. *Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics*, 67: 41-55.
- Dugar, Subhasish & Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2019) Can concerns for social status mitigate the 'Lemons Problem'? Experimental evidence from the Indian caste hierarchy. *Journal of South Asian Development*, 14(2): 151-179.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Dugar, Subhasish (2020) The hidden cost of bargaining: Evidence from a cheating-prone marketplace. *International Economic Review*, 61(3): 1253-1280.

- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Dugar, Subhasish (2022) Business Norm versus Norm Nudge As A Contract-enforcing Mechanism: Evidence from A Real Marketplace. *European Economic Review*, 144 (article 104078).
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti & Dugar, Subhasish (2023) Undervaluation versus Unaffordability As Negotiation Tactics: Evidence from A Field Experiment. *Journal of Economic Psychology*, 96 (article 102609).

Gendered well-being

- Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2015) Spousal Violence and Women’s Employment in India. *Feminist Economics*, 21(2): 30-52.
- Margaret Carlson, Akiko Kamimura, Ha Ngoc Trinh, Wenjing Mo, Niwako Yamawaki, Haimanti Bhattacharya, Hanh Nguyen, Angie Makomenaw, Ryan Birkholz, Lenora Olson (2015) Perceptions of Violence Against Women Among College Students in the US, Japan, India, Vietnam and China. *Public Policy and Administration Research*, 5(11).
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2016) Mass Media Exposure and Attitude towards Spousal Violence in India. *Social Science Journal*, 53(4): 398-416.
- Akiko Kamimura, Ha Ngoc Trinh, Hanh Nguyen, Niwako Yamawaki, Haimanti Bhattacharya, Wenjing Mo, Ryan Birkholz, Angie Makomenaw & Lenora M. Olson (2016) Bystander Attitudes to Prevent Sexual Assault: A Study of College Students in the US, Japan, India, Vietnam, and China. *Journal of Sex Research*, 53(9): 1131-1138.
- Stephens, T., Kamimura, A., Yamawaki, N., Bhattacharya, H., Mo, W., Birkholz, R., Makomenaw, A., & Olson, L. M.(2016) Rape myth acceptance among college students in the US, Japan and India. *Sage Open*, 6(4).
- Sharon L. Talboys, Manmeet Kaur, James VanDerslice, Lisa H. Gren, Haimanti Bhattacharya, Stephen C. Alder (2017) What is Eve Teasing? A Mixed Methods Study of Sexual Harassment of Young Women in the Rural Indian Context. *Sage Open*, 7(1).
- Akiko Kamimura, Haimanti Bhattacharya, Mindy Steadman, Samin Panahi, Adrienne Griffiths, Hsien-Wen Meng, Kathy Franchek-Roa. (2022) Dating/intimate partner violence and social media use among college students. *Violence and Gender*, 9(4), 187-192.

Other publications

- Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2008) Inter linkages between Environmental Change and Development. Newsletter of *Indian Young Professionals Network*.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2011) Vegetation and Development in Rural India. *Ailaan*, Newsletter of National Council for Rural Institutes (NCRI), India, II(VI), 27-31.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2011) Effects of Financial Incentives on Status-based Discrimination in a Marriage Market. *Harvard College Economics Review*, IV(2): 19-20.
- Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2015) ‘India’ in *Encyclopedia of World Poverty*, 2nd Edition, Sage Publications.
- Sharon L. Talboys, Manmeet Kaur, James VanDerslice, Lisa H. Gren, Haimanti Bhattacharya, Stephen C. Alder (2016) Is eve teasing a public health problem? Public sexual harassment in rural India and its association with common mental disorders and suicide ideation among young women ages 15-24. *Annals of Global Health*, 82(3): 561-562.

- Bhattacharya, Haimanti (2022) ‘Climate Justice Implications of the Relationship between Economic Inequality and Carbon Emissions in India’ in Prakash Kashwan (ed.) *Climate Justice in India*, Cambridge University Press.

Courses taught

University of Utah

- ECON 3640 Probability and Statistical Inference for Economists, Spring 2009 - -
- ECON 4650 Principles of Econometrics, Fall 2008 - Spring 2014, Spring 2022
- ECON 4651 Econometrics for Business Economics and Analytics, Fall 2019 - -
- ECON 5430/6430 South Asian Economic History and Development, Spring 2021 - -
- ECON 7251 Advanced Environmental Economics, Fall 2010 - -
- ECON 7590 Econometrics, Spring 2015 - Fall 2019
- ECON 7800 Econometrics I, Spring 2010 - Spring 2020
- ECON 6960/5960 Behavioral Economics (co-taught), Spring 2015
- STAT 6003/5003 Survey of Statistical Computer Packages (co-taught), Fall 2011
- ASTP/LAS 6800 Research Design for Area Studies (co-taught), Spring 2022, Fall 2023

University of Arizona

- AREC 517 Introductory Mathematical Statistics, Fall 2005
- AREC 580 Mathematics for Economists, Fall 2004

Centre for Development Studies, Thiruvananthapuram

- Mini course on Social Preferences in Behavioral Economics, August 2017

Academic awards

- Faculty Fellow Award, University of Utah, 2012.
- Quality of Research Discovery Award awarded by *European Association of Agricultural Economists* (EAAE), 2011.
- Fellowship from The Bartley P. Cardon Endowment for Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of Arizona, 2003-2007.
- Ray Cowden Scholarship, University of Arizona, 2005-2007.
- Eric Monke Memorial Scholarship, University of Arizona, 2005-2006.
- George W. Coleman Scholarship, University of Arizona, 2003-2004.
- Cliff Clements Scholarship, University of Arizona & Graduate College Fellowship, University of Arizona, 2002-2003.

Conference & seminar presentations

- 2023: School of Political Science and Economics, Waseda University (Tokyo, Japan).
- 2022 : Economic Science Association North American Meeting (Santa Barbara, CA).
- 2020 : American Economic Association Conference (San Diego, CA).
- 2019 : Bay Area Behavioral and Experimental Economics Workshop (San Francisco, CA); Economic Science Association North American Meeting (Los Angeles, CA).
- 2018 : Sustainability and Development Conference (Ann Arbor, MI); 6th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists (Gothenburg, Sweden).
- 2017 : Centre for Advanced Studies, Department of Economics, Jadavpur University (Kolkata, India); Department of Applied Economics, Utah State University (Logan, UT); School of International Affairs, Pennsylvania State University (State College, PA).
- 2016 : North American Economic Science Association Conference (Tucson, AZ); Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of Arizona (Tucson, AZ); Allied Social Science Associations Conference (San Francisco, CA).
- 2015 : Department of Applied Economics, Utah State University (Logan, UT).
- 2014 : South Asia Institute, University of Heidelberg (Heidelberg, Germany).
- 2013 : Southern Economic Association Meeting (Tampa, FL); Sociology of Development Conference (Salt Lake City, UT); The Consortium for Research on China and Asia, University of Utah (Salt Lake City, UT).
- 2012 : International Economic Science Association Conference (New York City, NY); Department of Economics, St. Xavier's College, Ranchi University (Ranchi, India).
- 2011 : Western Social Science Association Conference (Salt Lake City, UT).
- 2010 : Department of Economics, University of Calgary (Calgary, Canada).
- 2009 : American Economic Association Conference (San Francisco, CA); Heterodox Economics Students Association, University of Utah (Salt Lake City, UT).
- 2008 : Economic Science Association Conference (Tucson, AZ); 10th Occasional Workshop on Environmental and Resource Economics (Santa Barbara, CA); The Earth Institute Fellows Symposium, Columbia University (New York, NY); Department of Economics, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (Troy, NY); Department of Geography and Environment, Boston University (Boston, MA) Department of Economics, University of Utah (Salt Lake City, UT); Center for Environmental Research and Conservation, Columbia University (New York, NY).
- 2007 : Southern Economics Association Meeting (New Orleans, LA); American Agricultural Economics Association Meeting (Portland, OR); Department of Economics, University of Alberta (Edmonton, Canada); Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of Arizona (Tucson, AZ).
- 2006 : Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, Oregon State University (Corvallis, OR); Southern Economics Association Meeting (Charleston, SC); American Agricultural Economics Association Meeting (Long Beach, CA).
- 2005 : American Agricultural Economics Association Meeting (Providence, RI).

Refereeing for peer-reviewed journals

American Journal of Agricultural Economics (2), BMC Women's Health (2), Canadian Journal of Agricultural Economics (1), Communicatio (1), Climate Policy (1), Economic Modelling (1), Ecological Economics (1), Ecological Indicators (1), Environmental Science and Pollution Research (1), European Economic Review (1), Feminist Economics (16), Food Policy (1), India Review (1), International Journal of Agricultural Economics and Extension (1), International Journal of Development Issues (1), International Journal of Emergency Management (1), International Journal of Environment and Sustainable Development (1), International Journal of Sustainability in Higher Education (2), Journal of Asian Architecture and Building Engineering (1), Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics (1), Journal of Community & Applied Social Psychology (1), Journal of Economic Psychology (1), Journal of Environmental Economics and Policy (1), Journal of Family Violence (1), Journal of Health, Population and Nutrition (1), Management Science (1), Managerial and Decision Economics (1), Natural Resources Forum (1), PLOS ONE (3), Population and Environment (1), SAGE Open (1), Social Science Journal (1), Transactions of the Royal Society of South Africa (1), The Scandinavian Journal of Economics (1), Violence Against Women (4), Women's Reproductive Health (1), Women's Studies International Forum (1), World Development (2).

Research grant proposals

Funded proposals

- 2020: Co-PI of two 1U4U grant proposals on gender based violence, University of Utah.
- 2017: Member of interdisciplinary research team for Society, Water & Climate seed funding, University of Utah.
- 2010: Proposal Initiative Grant, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, University of Utah.

Unfunded proposals

- 2022: Co-I for NIH preproposal; Key Personnel for NSF NRT-FW-HTF and NSF EFRI ELiS preproposals
- 2021: Co-PI for ECO CBET NSF preproposal; Co-PI for EFRI E3P NSF preproposal; Co-I for NRT-FW-HTF NSF proposal; Co-PI Robert Wood Johnson Foundation preproposal.
- 2019: Co-I for NRT-FW-HTF NSF proposal.
- 2017: Co-PI for Russell Sage Foundation proposal; Co-PI for NSF-INFIEWS proposal.
- 2016: Co-PI for NSF-INFIEWS proposal.
- 2014: Member of INET teaching proposal team.
- 2013: Member of EPA P3 Phase II and NSF-INSPIRE proposal team.
- 2010: Member of Utah NSF-EPSCoR proposal team.

Student advising at University of Utah

Undergraduate

- *Honors thesis chair*: Clare Cho (2010).

- *Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP) project advisor*: Micah Stefensen (Fall 2012 - Spring 2013), Colby Young (Spring 2021).

Graduate

- *Econometrics M.Stat. project advisor*: Taylor Anne Throne (2020), Kelvin Ngururi Muriuki (2020), Timothy Parent (2020).
- *Econometrics M.Stat. thesis or project committee member*: Kiel Truman Murphy (2011), Amber Webster (2011), Aaron David King (2012), Barton Beattie (2013), Brent Collins (2013), Derek Doel (2013), Woonghee Lee (2013), Robbie Stone (2014), John Baggaley (2016), Wu Cheng Zhou(2016), Dallin Johnson (2017), Sean Melessa (2017), Lance Benzley (2021).
- *Economics M.A./M.S. thesis committee member*: Tyler Paulson (2009), Idrissa N'diaye (2014), David Russell LeDuc (2014), Fermin Miera (2015), Randi Smith (2015).
- *Economics Ph.D. dissertation committee member*: Ozge Izdes (2009), Yunsun Huh (2011), Nursel Avsar (2011), Suranjana Nabar Bhaduri (2011), Stephen Frederick Maisch (2011), Mike Martineau (2012), Adam Vester (2012), Diksha Arora (2016), Zain Siddiqui (2016), Komson Chanprapan (2016), Necati Celik (2016), Jacki Strenio (2018), Luciano Pesci (2018), Matthew Kosko (2018), Duygu Orhan (2018), Corina Besliu (2018), Jean Arment (2018), Joyita Roy Chowdhury (2019), Kartik Verma (2019), Soumava Basu (2020), Hyeon Kim (2020), Sanchit Srivastava (2020).
- *Geography Ph.D. dissertation committee member*: Suparna Das (2011).
- *Accounting Ph.D. dissertation committee member*: He Jennifer Wen (2013), Adrienna Huffman (2014).
- *Sociology Ph.D. dissertation committee member*: Peter Joseph Loebach (2015).
- *Public Health Ph.D. dissertation committee member*: Sharon Talboys (2015).

Guest lectures at University of Utah

- Peace and Conflict in Asia (POLS 3530) - Fall 2023.
- Intimate Partner Violence: Global Perspectives (SOC 3510) - Spring 2020.
- Exploring Asia (ASTP 3001) - Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2021, Fall 2022.
- India and Globalization (BUS 3940) - Spring 2016.
- Political Economy of Gender (ECON 7170) - Spring 2015.
- Asian Civilization: Modern History (HIST 1220) - Fall 2013.
- The Novel in India (ENGL 5810) - Fall 2013.
- Hindi and Globalization (HINDI 4620/CLCS 4970) - Spring 2013.
- Advanced Methods in Statistics (STAT 6869) - Spring 2013, Spring 2016.
- Modern India (HIST 3560) - Fall 2011.
- Current Research in Asian Studies (ASTP 5001) - Spring 2010, Fall 2015, Fall 2016.

Workshops and panels

- Panelist for ‘Bridging International Borders in Academia: Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion’ organized by University of Utah’s Women of Color Academics (WoCA) Collective, Asia Center, the Office of Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion, and the Asian University for Women, Chittagong, Bangladesh, 2021.
- Panelist for ‘Women in Economics’, University of Utah, 2019.
- Panelist for discussion on photo exhibition ‘Moksha’ by Fazal Sheikh organized by University Museum of Fine Arts, University of Utah, 2014.
- ‘*Indian Economy*’ segment of the summer workshop ‘*India through Different Eyes*’ organized by Tanner Humanities Center for Utah Public School Teachers, University of Utah, 2012.
- Speaker on ‘*American Classroom*’ for International Students Orientation, University of Utah, 2011.
- Panel speaker for ‘*Heterodox Econometrics*’ organized by Heterodox Economics Students Association, University of Utah, 2011.
- Panelist for a talk by Sugata Bose (Gardiner Professor of History, Harvard University) for the *Democracy in South Asia Forum*, University of Utah, 2009.

In the media

- Interview on Demonetization in India for BYU Radio talk show telecast on December 5, 2016 at 3 p.m. MST on Sirius XM 143.
- *Forbes* article on April 10, 2017 by Jeffrey Dorfman titled ‘Can Mergers Cause Mergers? Yes, And It Can Be A Good Thing’ based on the paper: Bhattacharya & Innes (2016) ‘Concentration, Product Variety and Entry for Merger: Evidence from New Product Introductions in the U.S. Food Industry’ *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*.

External adviser

- For the topic *Poverty and Sustainability* in the course CDSY 440 *Current Issues in Sustainability*, under the Community Development and Sustainability Program at Northern Arizona University, Yavapai, AZ, Spring 2013 & Spring 2014.

External reviewer

- For assistant professor’s retention, promotion, and tenure at two international universities.

Services at University of Utah

- Economics department Equity, Diversity & Inclusion committee member, 2022 - .
- Economics department faculty hiring committee member, 2022-23.
- Behavioral economics research group coordinator, Department of Economics, Spring 2022.
- UROP application reviewer for CSBS, 2021, 2022.

- Member of CSBS dean search committee, 2021-22.
- Internal reviewer for Graduate Council Review of a graduate program, 2021.
- Economics department representative on the CSBS Equity, Diversity & Inclusivity (EDI) committee, 2021 - - .
- Reviewer for retention, promotion, and tenure of assistant professor (lecturer), 2021.
- Member of Sexual Violence Awareness sub-committee of the Gender-Based Violence Consortium, 2020-21.
- Global Change & Sustainability Center (GCSC) fellowship applications review committee member for CSBS, 2019.
- Faculty advisory committee member, International Studies Program, 2018 - - .
- Executive committee member, Society, Water, and Climate cluster, 2018-2019.
- Seminar planning committee member, Department of Economics, 2018-19.
- U.S.-Pakistan Center for Advanced Studies in Water (USPCASW) Student Exchange Program Coordinator, 2016-17.
- Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) fellowship evaluation committee member, Asia Center, 2016, 2017, 2019.
- Environment research group coordinator, Department of Economics, 2016-17.
- JJR research grants committee member, Department of Economics, 2016-17.
- Economics department representative at CSBS College Council, 2015-17 & 2018 - - .
- Advisory committee member, Asia Center, 2015 - - .
- Director of Graduate Studies, Asian Studies Program, 2015-16 & 2019 - 2022.
- Member for OSH redevelopment committee for setting up an interdisciplinary experiment laboratory, 2015-16.
- Hiring committee co-chair for Society, Water, and Climate cluster, 2015-16.
- Reviewer for University Research Committee (URC) Faculty Research and Creative Grant, 2015.
- Substitute Economics department representative at CSBS Curriculum Committee, 2015.
- Mentor at EarthU Sustainability in Diversity dinner organized by University of Utah Sustainability Resource Center, 2015.
- Organizing committee member for International Conference on Inequality and Sustainability in Asia held at University of Utah, 2015.
- Economics department liaison for the Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (CSWEP), a standing committee of the American Economic Association (AEA), 2014 - - .
- Member of strategic planning committee for research and hiring focus, Department of Economics, 2014.

- Member of committee for preparing a proposal for Certificate in Asian Studies for Social and Behavioral Science, 2014.
- Judge for College of Social and Behavioral Science Student Research Day, 2013.
- Global Change & Sustainability Center (GCSC) student grant applications review committee member, 2013.
- Tenure-track faculty representative for Economics Department in the focus group meeting for strategic communications of the university, 2012.
- Member of exchange faculty evaluation committee, Asia Center, 2011.
- Library Liaison, Department of Economics, 2011-16.
- Econometrics track representative for Department of Economics, MSTAT Program, 2010-12 & 2014-16.
- Member of Committee on Statistics & Econometrics, Department of Economics, 2010-16.
- Member of ad-hoc committee for Graduate Certificate in Environment and Sustainability proposal, Department of Economics, 2009.

Demographic information

- Languages: English (fluent), Hindi (fluent), Bengali (native).
- Gender: Female.

References - Available upon request.

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