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Employment

MIT Sloan and CSAIL, Postdoctoral Fellow, FutureTech Lab 2026 –

Education

University of Chicago, Ph.D. Economics, MA Economics 2020–2026

University of Edinburgh, M.Sc. Economics 2018–2019

Delhi Technological University, Bachelor of Technology 2012–2016

Research and Teaching Fields

Primary: Macroeconomics, Economic Growth

Secondary: Entrepreneurship, Finance

Working Papers

Startups and the State

Credit Card Entrepreneurs (with Akcigit, Cilasun, Miranda and Serrano-Velarde)
R&R at *Review of Economic Studies*

Welfare Costs and Benefits of Deficit Financed Fiscal Policy (with Calvin He)
Submitted, Under Review

QB Small Business Index: A New Employment Series for US, UK and Canada
(with Akcigit, Cilasun, Miranda, Ocakverdi and Serrano-Velarde). Presentations: NBER SI 2023

Work in Progress

How Long? Political Economy of Firm Level Subsidies and Technology Promotion

Lagging or Leading: AI Adoption by Entrepreneurs
(with Akcigit, Cilasun, Miranda and Serrano-Velarde)

Awards, Scholarships, and Grants

Micahel and Ling Markovitz Dissertation Award 2025-26

Sherwin Rosen Memorial Fellowship 2025-26

Pearson Institute Research and Innovation Grant 2023

Social Sciences Division Fellowship 2020-25

Top of the Class, University of Edinburgh 2019

Academic Visits

Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Fall 2025

Stanford University Spring 2024

Conferences and Seminars

2026	<i>LSE Finance Department, MIT FutureTech, Warwick, King's College London, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, Edinburgh, UChicago, CEA Bank of Canada Special Session on Small Businesses - Vancouver</i>
2024-25	<i>Capital Theory Seminar, UChicago, Yiran Fan Memorial Conference, UChicago Booth; Trans-Atlantic Doctoral Conference, Summer Finance Symposium, London Business School; India Policy Forum (attended); SAGS Conference on Theorising Capitalism from South Asia, Chicago;</i>

Research Experience and Other Employment

Research Assistant, National Bureau of Economic Research (Adrien Auclert)	<i>Summer 2022</i>
Research Assistant, MacCaLM Project, University of Edinburgh	<i>2019-20</i>

Teaching Experience

Firm Dynamics and Growth (2nd Year PhD)	TA for Prof. Akcigit	<i>Winter 2024</i>
Macro with Het. Households (2nd Year PhD)	TA for Prof. Kaplan	<i>Spring 2024</i>
International Macro and Trade (2nd Year PhD)	TA for Prof. Dingel and Adao	<i>Fall 2022</i>
Money and Banking (MBA)	TA for Prof. Huber	<i>Fall 2023</i>
Economics 1, Edinburgh	Fall 2019	

Other Writing

Indian-State Capitalism and the Techno-Entrepreneur, <i>South Asia Grad Student Conference, UChicago</i>
A functioning consumer bankruptcy code can help those Indian debtors who are paying back with their lives, <i>South Asia @ LSE (2022)</i>
Translations in 'Jallianwala Bagh: Literary responses in prose and poetry', <i>Niyogi Books (2019)</i>
Chapter in The Great War: Indian Writings on the First World War, <i>by R. Jalil, Bloomsbury (2018)</i>
Jangnama Europe: Subaltern insights on the wars of empire, <i>South Asia@LSE, Scroll.in, Quartz (2017)</i>

Additional Information

Citizenship	India
Programming Skills	Julia, Python, Matlab, R
Languages	Punjabi (Native), Hindi/Urdu (Fluent), English (Fluent)

References

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Professor Mike Golosov University of Chicago Kenneth C. Griffin Department of Economics golosov@uchicago.edu	