

EDUCATION

University of Geneva Ph.D Economics	Geneva, Switzerland 2021–Present
– Field: Applied Microeconomics - Development, Environment and Resource, Political Economy, Experiments	
– Advisor: Salvatore Di Falco	
Study Centre Gerzensee - Foundation of the Swiss National Bank Swiss Program for Beginning Doctoral Students in Economics (PhD Qualifiers), GPA: 5.5/6.0 (Fully funded by the Swiss National Bank and University of Geneva)	Gerzensee, Switzerland 2021–2022
– Sequences: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and Econometrics	
Indian Institute of Foreign Trade M.A. Economics (specialisation in Trade & Finance)- First Class, First - Gold Medal; GPA: 8.72/9.00	Delhi & Kolkata, India 2019–2021
– Thesis: “Cash Transfers, Labour Supply, Poverty, and Entrepreneurial Incentive”, Advisor: Sugata Marjit	
Presidency University B.Sc. Economics - First Class, First - Gold Medal; GPA: 9.15/10.00	Kolkata, India 2016–2019
– Thesis: “‘Missing Girls’: Decline in the Child Sex Ratio in India”, Advisor: Zakir Husain	

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

International Labour Organization (ILO) Research Intern, ILO RESEARCH - Work, Income, and Equity Unit	Geneva, Switzerland April 2024 - October 2024
European Commission- Research and Innovation: Horizon Europe Grant Project TRANSPATH : Doctoral Research Assistant at the University of Geneva	Geneva, Switzerland August 2023- July 2025
Reserve Bank of India (RBI) Research Intern, Department of Economic & Policy Research; Supervisor: Dr. Raj Rajesh, Director	Kolkata, India April 2020- July 2020
– Project: “Bank Funding to Self Help Groups in India: A Panel Data Analysis”	
Bengal Chamber of Commerce and Industries (BCCI) Research Intern; Supervisor: Subhodip Ghosh, Director General; BCCI	Kolkata, India Dec 2019- Jan 2020

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- **U. Das**, S. Di Falco, A. Mahajan, “Adaptive Capacity and Subsequent Droughts: Evidence from Ethiopia”, *Environment and Development Economics*, 28(6), 511–537. doi:10.1017/S1355770X23000074 October 2023
- S. Di Falco, A. Kis, M. Viarengo, **U. Das**, “Leaving Home: Cumulative Climate Shocks and Migration in Sub-Saharan Africa”, *Environmental and Resource Economics*, 87, 321–345. doi:10.1007/s10640-023-00826-x January 2024

WORKS IN PROGRESS

- U. Das, E. Katovich, J. Rexer, “Is There a ‘Local Advantage’ in the Global Mining Industry?” February 2024 -
- U. Das, S. Maji, “Development Assistance and Crime-Accused Politicians: Evidence from Indian Elections” March 2023 -
- U. Das, S. Di Falco, E. Katovich, “Sustainability and Quality-upgrading in Cocoa Supply Chains: Experimental Evidence from Ghana” (funded by TRANSPATH- Horizon Europe Grant No. 101081984) January 2023 -
- S. Ananian and U. Das, “Employment and Wage Outcomes of Second-Generation Migrants” April 2024 -
- F. Alpizar, U. Das, S. Di Falco, P. Dingkuhn, J. Nel, “Exploring Policy Leverage Points to Trigger Transformative Change in Finance and Trade” (Deliverable D4.1 EU Horizon Europe TRANSPATH Project) May - October 2023

CONFERENCES AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

- [Annual Congress 2024, Swiss Society of Economics and Statistics](#) - Lucerne, Switzerland June 2024
- [TRANSPATH Annual Consortium](#) - World Trade Centre, The Hague, The Netherlands March 2024
- [PhD Day Workshop: Geneva Graduate Institute and University of Geneva](#) - Geneva, Switzerland February 2024
- [Swiss Joint PhD Seminar in Agricultural Economics: 4th Edition](#) - Tänikon, Switzerland January 2023
- [Geneva School of Economics and Management: IEE Brownbag Seminar](#) - Geneva, Switzerland June 2023
- [TRANSPATH Annual Meeting](#) - Wageningen University, Wageningen, The Netherlands February 2023

GRANTS AND AWARDS

- SNSF Scientific Exchanges Grant: 10'000 CHF (P.I., RViE) - Swiss National Science Foundation, Switzerland 2024
- Conference Grant: 10'000 CHF (P.I., RViE) - GSEM and University of Geneva, Switzerland 2024
- I.S.E.O. Scholarship: 1'600 EUR - Institute for Studies on Economics and Employment, Italy 2024
- Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Scholarship: 500 USD - Arizona State University, USA 2023
- Gold Medal: First Class, First Position in M.A. Economics (2019-2021) - Indian Institute of Foreign Trade 2021
- Gold Medal: First Class, First Position in B.Sc. Economics (2016-2019) - Presidency University 2019
- Debasish Chandra Memorial Prize- Presidency University, First position in B.Sc. Economics 2019
- UN Ghoshal Prize- Presidency University, First position in B.Sc. Economics 2019
- Gold Medal- IMO Mathematics Olympiad, Science Olympiad foundation (SOF) 2013

WORKSHOPS, COURSES, SUMMER SCHOOLS

- Advanced Courses in Economics for Doctoral Students and Faculty Members:
Machine Learning for Treatment Effects and Structural Equation Models - Prof. Victor Chernozhukov July–August 2024
Study Centre Gerzensee- Foundation of the Swiss National Bank , Switzerland
- I.S.E.O. Summer School in Economics: The World Economy's Shifting Winds June 2024
Iseo, Brescia, Italy
- 112th ILO International Labour Conference June 2024
Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland
- UNCTAD 7th BioTrade Congress: Global Governance for Trade and Biodiversity March 2024
Palais des Nations, Geneva, Switzerland
- Summer School on Development Economics in the Field- Surveys, Measurements, and Experiments June 2023
Paris School of Economics, Paris, France
- Workshop on Survey Design & Experimental Methods in Applied and Agricultural Economics May 2023
AAEA, Arizona State University, Mesa, USA
- Advanced Courses in Economics for Doctoral Students and Faculty Members:
Ex Ante and Ex Post Policy Evaluation Approaches - Prof. Petra Todd May 2023
Study Centre Gerzensee- Foundation of the Swiss National Bank , Switzerland
- PhD course: Advanced Development Microeconomics: Market Failures February–May 2023
The Graduate Institute, Geneva, Switzerland
- PhD course: Advanced Development Macroeconomics: Empirical Research September–December 2022
The Graduate Institute, Geneva, Switzerland
- Workshop on International Trade and Multilateralism January 2023
Villars-sur-Ollon, Switzerland
- Local Geneva Trade and Development Workshop December 2022, May 2022
WTO and Palace of Nations, Geneva, Switzerland
- Summer School on Theoretical Physics & Quantum Mechanics May 2015
Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science (IACS)- Kolkata, India

ACADEMIC SERVICE

- **Rare Voices in Economics (RViE)** 2021–Present
 - **President: Member of the Steering Committee** (2023 -)
 - **Conference organizer: Rare Voices in Economics Conference (3rd Ed.)** (2023 - 2024) (Funded by UNIGE, GSEM, & SNSF)
 - **Communications coordinator: Website and Media Manager** (2021 -)
- Journal Refereeing: **Reviewer - European Review of Agricultural Economics** 2023–Present
- **Mentor:** IEE PhD Mentoring Program- University of Geneva 2023–Present
- Co-organizer (UNIGE partner): Swiss PhD Seminar in Agricultural Economics (5th Edition) - Frick, Switzerland 2023–2024

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- University of Geneva, Geneva School of Economics and Management** Geneva, Switzerland
Research & Teaching Assistant in Economics at the Institute of Economics and Econometrics 2021–Present
- Labour Economics (2022)
 - Introduction to Macroeconomics (2023, 2024)
 - Development Economics (2024)
 - Introduction to Microeconomics (2022)

SKILLS

- **STATA, R Studio, L^AT_EX**, Python (Jupyter)
- Geospatial: **ArcGIS**, GEODA, Google Earth Engine
- Experiments: **NGENE**, NLOGIT
- Trade: **WITS**, **SMART Sim**, **OEC**, Trade Map, EORA
- **Bloomberg Market Concepts**, Bloomberg Terminal
- Financial Modeling: MS Excel and VBA

LANGUAGES

- **English:** Native or Bilingual
- **Bengali:** Native
- **Hindi:** Fluent
- **Urdu:** Intermediate (oral)
- **French:** Basic (A1)

PRE-PHD POSITIONS OF RESPONSIBILITY

- IES- IIFT Economics Society- Core working member 2019–2021
Editor (ECOLibrium magazine) and Organising Committee (Academic Seminars). Published articles:
-“**Impact of US Protectionism and Right-Wing Populism on Deglobalisation**” - *ECOLibrium 3rd Edition*
-“**India’s Economic Slump and the Breakdown of the Industrial Sector**” - *ECOLibrium 2nd Edition*
- OIKOS- Presidency University Economics Society: Core working member and Public Relations Head 2017–2019
Organised ‘ARTHATANTRA’- The Economics Summit, 2017, & 2018; PR & Social Media Team Head
- PUYES- Presidency University Young Entrepreneurs’ Society: Member of the Organising Committee 2016–2018
Organised ‘Presidency University Young Entrepreneurs’ Drive’- 2016, 2017, & 2018.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

- Classically trained (Hindustani) vocalist, performed in concerts at Victoria Hall, La Perle du Lac, L’Usine, Fête de la Musique (Geneva), Vandœuvres, Switzerland
- Associated with the University of Geneva Choir for 3 consecutive years
- Former playback singer at Innokrea Motion Pictures ([Movie: Dhupkathi](#))
- Former All Bengal Radio Artist at Gyan-Vani F.M. (IGNOU)