

## GIRIJA BORKER

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### **Personal Information**

Sex: Female

Citizenship: Indian

### **Appointments**

Economist, Development Impact Evaluation, Development Research Group. World Bank, September 2018 -

### **Degrees Earned**

Ph.D., Economics, Brown University, USA, 2018

MPhil. Economic Theory & Econometrics, Toulouse School of Economics, University of Toulouse 1, France, 2010, First class honors

M.A. Economics (CANTAB), University of Cambridge, England, 2009, First class honors

B.A. Honors Economics, St. Stephen's College, University of Delhi, India, 2007, High distinction

### **Research Interests**

Primary Fields: Development Economics, Urban

Secondary Fields: Gender, Transport, Labor

### **Teaching Experience**

#### *Primary Instructor*

2014-16 Economics of the Underprivileged (Pre-College), Brown University

2016 Applied Microeconomics (Pre-College), Brown University

#### *Teaching Assistant*

2015, 2017 Economics of Education I (Undergraduate), Brown University, for Prof. John Tyler

Fall 2016 Intermediate Microeconomics (Undergraduate), Brown University, for Prof. Lint Barrage

Spring 2014 Applied Economics Analysis (Graduate), Brown University for Prof. Andrew Foster and Prof. Anna Aizer

Fall 2013 Health, Hunger and the Household (Undergraduate), Brown University for Prof. Andrew Foster

### **Research Experience and Other Employment**

2013-2015 Research Assistant for Prof. Kaivan Munshi, University of Cambridge

Summer 2013 Research Assistant for Prof. Kaivan Munshi, Brown University

2010-2012 Economic Consultant, Frontier Economics, London, UK

### **Research Grants (>\$10,000)**

2020 Preparatory Research Grant, World Bank Research Group (\$39,668)

2019 Disruptive Technologies for Development (DT4D) grant, World Bank (\$100,000)

2019 JPAL CVI (\$70,000)

2019 Stars in Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights, Grand Challenges Canada (CAD 100,000)

2019 Preparatory Research Grant, World Bank Research Group (\$29,943)

2019 South Asia Region Research Grant (\$150,000)

- 2019 i2i/ieConnect Concept Grant for “GBV and Street Patrolling in Hyderabad”, ieConnect for Impact Program, World Bank (\$175,000)
- 2019 Research Grant for “GBV and Police Reform in Bihar”, IGC India (£55,000)
- 2018 Global Road Safety Facility Grant, World Bank (\$170,000)
- 2017 i2i/ieConnect Concept Grant for “GBV in Public Transportation in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania”, ieConnect for Impact Program, World Bank (\$175,000)
- 2017 i2i/ieConnect Concept Grant for “Urban Corridors and Economic Opportunities in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia”, ieConnect for Impact Program, World Bank (\$175,000)
- 2017 Data2X Big Data for Gender Challenge Dissertation Grant, UN Foundation (\$27,500)

## **Professional Activities**

### *Presentations*

- 2019-20 NBER SI Gender in the Economy (scheduled)
- 2018-19 Cities and Development Conference; Urban Institute; NBER Development Economics pre-conference; EEA; Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, Delhi; Annual Rosenkranz Global Health Workshop, Stanford University; Urban Economics Association Conference; UN World Data Forum, Dubai; NEUDC; SITE and ASWEDE Academic Conference, Stockholm School of Economics; Economic Demography Workshop; Population Association of America; Midwest International Economic Development Conference
- 2017-18 Population Health Sciences Research Workshop, Boston University; Applied Microeconomics Student Lunch, New York University; World Bank ieConnect for Impact Workshop, Lisbon; Applied Microeconomics Seminar, Brown University; Development and Governance Seminar, Watson Institute, Brown University

### *Referee*

Demography, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Feminist Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy, World Development

National Science Foundation

### **Skills**

Stata, ArcGIS, MapInfo, LaTeX, Python, R

### **Research Papers**

Safety First: Perceived Risk of Street Harassment and Educational Choices of Women

Wealth, Marriage, and Sex Selection with Jan Eeckhout, Nancy Luke, Shantidani Minz, Kaivan Munshi, and Soumya Swaminathan. (*Reject and Resubmit, Review of Economic Studies*)

Tribal Identity in Education: Does Teacher Ethnicity Affect Student Performance in Jharkhand?

### **Work in Progress**

Street Police Patrols and Violence Against Women in Public Spaces: Experimental Evidence from India with Sofia Amaral, Nathan Fiala, Nishith Prakash, and Maria Micaela Sviatschi

Gender Based Violence and Police Reform in Bihar joint with Sofia Amaral, Nathan Fiala, Nishith Prakash, and Maria Micaela Sviatschi

Gender Based Violence in Public Transportation in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania with Naira Kalra and Bilal Siddiqi

Urban Corridors and Economic Opportunities in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia with Simon Franklin, and Javier Morales Sarriera