

## Vikas PD Gawai

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EMPLOYMENT	<a href="#">Prevention Effectiveness (PE) Fellow</a> Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) 2024-
EDUCATION	University of Wisconsin-Madison PhD, Agriculture and Applied Economics 2018-24 Dissertation: <a href="#">“Technology in the Aging World: The Role of Broadband and Green Revolution”</a> MS, Economics 2016-18 Mumbai University B.Tech, Civil Engineering 2004-08
RESEARCH INTERESTS	Health Economics, Economics of Aging, Public Policy, Agricultural Economics and Development Economics, Cost-Effectiveness
PUBLICATIONS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>3. <b>Vikas Gawai</b> and Steven Deller, 2024. <a href="#">“Is there a link between access to broadband and health outcomes?”</a> <i>American Journal of Economics and Sociology</i></li><li>2. Hamid Noghanibehambari, Jason Fletcher, Lauren Schmitz, Valentina Duque and <b>Vikas Gawai</b>, 2024. <a href="#">“Early-Life Economic Conditions and Old-Age Mortality: Evidence from Historical County-Level Bank Deposit Data”</a> <i>Journal of Population Economics</i></li><li>1. Jeremy Foltz and <b>Vikas Gawai</b>, 2024. <a href="#">“Discrimination in Science: Salaries of Foreign and US Born Land-Grant University Scientists”</a> <i>American Journal of Agricultural Economics</i> (Conditionally Accepted)</li></ol>
WORKING PAPERS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>4. <b>Vikas Gawai</b>. <a href="#">“Does High-Speed Internet (Broadband) Technology Affect the Mental Health of Older Adults?”</a></li><li>3. <b>Vikas Gawai</b>, Lauren Schmitz, Valentina Duque, Jinkook Lee, Hunter Green. <a href="#">“Effect of Early Life Exposure to the Green Revolution on Aging Outcomes in India”</a></li><li>2. <b>Vikas Gawai</b>. <a href="#">“Does Broadband Technology Affect Social Security Applications?”</a></li><li>1. <b>Vikas Gawai</b>. <a href="#">“Spillover Effects of a Bicycle Policy on Girls’ Enrollment in Middle Schools”</a></li></ol>
RESEARCH AT CDC	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>2. <b>Vikas Gawai</b>, Sergey Sotnikov and Nancy Habarta. <a href="#">“Effect of Block Grant Public Health Investment on System Efficiency, Health outcomes, and Cost-Effectiveness”</a></li><li>1. <b>Vikas Gawai</b>, Sergey Sotnikov and Nancy Habarta. <a href="#">“Systematic Review of the Literature on the Effects of Public Infrastructure Investments and Health Outcomes”</a></li></ol>

WORK IN PROGRESS	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Kanika Arora, <b>Vikas Gawai</b>, Shubhashrita Basu and Lauren Schmitz. “Spatially Varying Gender and Caste Inequalities in Cognition and the Contribution of Individual and State-level Characteristics Across India ”</li> <li>2. <b>Vikas Gawai</b>. “Effects of Teacher Hiring Policy on Students’ Learning in Rural India: A Multi-Cutoff Regression Discontinuity Design Approach”</li> <li>1. <b>Vikas Gawai</b>, Lauren Schmitz and Valentina Duque. “Effect of Green Revolution on the Intergenerational Human Capital”</li> </ol>
RESEARCH ASSISTANCE	Prof. Lauren Schmitz (UW Madison, School of Public Affairs) 2020-24 Prof. Jeremy Foltz (UW Madison, Agriculture and Applied Economics) 2018-20 Prof. Andra Ghent (UW Madison, Wisconsin School of Business) 2018 (Summer)
TEACHING	<i>Guest Lecturer at UW-Madison</i> World Hunger and Malnutrition 2024 Agricultural & Economic Development of Africa (Health) 2022 Gender Gap and Economics Development in Developing Countries 2022-23 The Economics of Race and Gender (Bentley University) 2022 Research Supervision Undergraduate Research Scholars (2 students) 2022
MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS	<a href="#">Internet and Mental Health</a> , GROW Magazine Cover Story <a href="#">Broadband and Social Security Applications</a> , The Financial Findings Podcast
TECHNICAL SKILLS	STATA, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, R, Python
FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS	Diversity Fellow, School of Public Affairs, American University 2023-24 Research Fellow, Retirement and Disability Research Center (RDRC) 2022-24 DEI- Diversity Scholarship, American Society of Health Economics (ASHEcon) 2021 Best Research Scholarship (Honorable mention), UW-Madison Department of Economics 2018
GRANTS	Center for Demography of Health and Aging Research Travel Award (\$2,000) 2023 RDRC - Junior Scholar Research Competition Award (\$5,000) 2022 Research Travel Award UW-Madison (\$1,100) 2022 Deborah and David Penn Fund (\$1,500) 2022-23 UW-Madison Graduate School Award (\$4,000) 2022-23 UW-Madison Center for Demography and Ecology (\$950) 2022 UW-Madison- Traisman Agribusiness Graduate Fellowship (\$750) 2021 UW-Madison Student Research Grants Competition (\$1,500) 2020 UW-Madison IRIS Graduate Student Summer Fieldwork Award (\$3,000) 2019 Indian State Government Scholarship for MS Economics (\$100,000) 2016-18
SERVICE	<i>Referee/Reviewer</i> Agriculture and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) 2022-24 Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management 2023 Economics of Education Review, Reviewer 2022-23 American Society for Health Economists (AshEcon) 2022 AAEA-Health Economics Section Official Twitter Manager 2022-23

	<i>Department</i>	
	UW-Madison, AAE, Faculty Hiring Committee,	2022
	UW-Madison, AAE, Ph.D. Admission Committee	2021
	Taylor-Hibbard Club, Athletic Chair	2020-2022
	UW-Madison AAE, Development Lab Group	2019
LEADERSHIP AND MENTORING	CDC Preventive Effectiveness Fellowship Hiring Committee	2025
	UW-Madison CDHA Research Mentor for 18 students	2022
	Mentor, First generation undergraduate students	2022
CONFERENCES	ASHEcon	2024
	Social Security Administration (SSA) Annual Meeting	2024
	Data-Intensive Research Conference, University of Minnesota	2024
	Midwest Economics Association	2023
	Southern Economics Association	2023
	Agricultural and Applied Economics Association	2022
	Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management	2022-24
	Population Association of America	2022
	American Education Finance and Policy Conference	2020
REFERENCES		
	<b>Jeremy Foltz (Ph.D. Advisor)</b> Agriculture and Applied Economics University of Wisconsin-Madison <a href="mailto:jdfoltz@wisc.edu">jdfoltz@wisc.edu</a>	<b>Nancy Habarta (CDC, Supervisor)</b> Director, Office of Data Reporting Public Health Infrastructure Center Centers for Disease Control and Prevention <a href="mailto:eqq1@cdc.gov">eqq1@cdc.gov</a>
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