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Current Positions

University of Notre Dame
- Professor of Economics and Global Affairs.
- Academic Director, Building Inclusive Growth (BIG) Lab.
- Principal Investigator, Representation of Women (ROW) Lab.
- Principal Investigator, Innovating Green Pathways to Prosperity (IGPP) Lab.
- Faculty Fellow, Building Inclusive Growth (BIG) Lab, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, Liu Institute for Asia and Asian Studies, Gender Studies Program, Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate, Pulte Institute for Global Development.

Institute of Labor Economics (IZA), Research Fellow.
Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD), Affiliate.

Past Positions

Associate Professor of Economics and Global Affairs, University of Notre Dame, 2016-2023.
Visiting Faculty, Department of Economics, Northwestern University, 2022-2023.
Assistant and Associate Professor of Business Administration, Harvard Business School, 2003-2016.
Visiting Researcher, Institute for Economic Development, Boston University, 2015-16.
Faculty Affiliate, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, 2006-2016.
Short Term Consultant, World Bank, 1999, 2008-2010, 2017-2019.
Visiting Scholar, International Monetary Fund, January 2009.

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2003.
Master of Statistics (Quantitative Economics specialization), Indian Statistical Institute, 1997.
Bachelor of Statistics (Honours), Indian Statistical Institute, 1995.

Publications

Refereed Journal Articles

Chaudhary, Latika, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. Forthcoming. "The Importance of Being Local? Administrative Decentralization and Human Development." *Ideas for India*. *Economic Journal.* https://doi.org/10.1093/ej/ueaf100

Fertig, Alexander, Alexandra Hartman, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Edmund Malesky. 2026. "A Field of Her Own: Property Rights and Women's Agency in Myanmar." *Journal of Politics* 88(1). https://doi.org/10.1086/734236.

Holman, Mirya, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Christina Wolbrecht. 2025. "Governing the Gilded Age City: Local Institution Building in the United States." *Journal of Historical Political Economy* 5 (2): 215-237. http://dx.doi.org/10.1561/115.00000094.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Coleson Weir. 2025. "The Colonial Legacy in India: How Persistent are the Effects of Historical Institutions?" *Journal of Development Economics* 177: 103576. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jdeveco.2025.103576.

Cassan, Guilhem, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Rinchan Ali Mirza. 2025. "Enfranchisement, Political Participation and Political Competition: Evidence from Colonial and Independent India." *Journal of Economic History* 85 (1): 33-71, https://doi.org/10.1017/S0022050725000038. *Ideas for India*; *VoxDev*.

Bhalotra, Sonia, Irma Clots-Figueras, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Joseph Vecci. 2023. "Leader Identity and Coordination." *Review of Economics and Statistics* 105 (1): 175–189. *Ideas for India*.

Bhalotra, Sonia, Irma Clots-Figueras, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2021. "Religion and Abortion: The Role of Politician Identity." *Journal of Development Economics* 153: 102746. *Ideas for India*.

Iyer, Lakshmi, Xin Meng, Nancy Qian, and Xiaoxue Zhao. 2019. "Economic Transition and Private-Sector Labor: Evidence from Urban China." *Journal of Comparative Economics* 47 (3): 579-600.

Iyer, Lakshmi and Anandi Mani. 2019. "The Road Not Taken: Gender Gaps Along Paths to Political Power." *World Development* 119: 68-80. *Ideas for India*.

Bhalotra, Sonia, Irma Clots-Figueras, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2018. "Path-Breakers? Women's Electoral Success and Future Political Participation." *Economic Journal* 128 (613): 1844-1878. *Ideas for India*; *VoxDev podcast*.

Bhalotra, Sonia, Guilhem Cassan, Irma Clots-Figueras, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2014. "Religion, Politician Identity and Development Outcomes: Evidence from India." *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization* 104: 4-17.

Iyer, Lakshmi, Tarun Khanna and Ashutosh Varshney. 2013. "Caste and Entrepreneurship in India." *Economic and Political Weekly* 48 (6): 52-60, February 9. *Ideas for India*.

Iyer, Lakshmi, Anandi Mani, Prachi Mishra, and Petia Topalova. 2012. "The Power of Political Voice: Women's Political Representation and Crime in India." *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 4 (4): 165-193. *Ideas for India*.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Anandi Mani. 2012. "Traveling Agents: Political Change and Bureaucratic Turnover in India." *Review of Economics and Statistics* 94 (3): 723–739. *Ideas for India*.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2010. "Direct versus Indirect Colonial Rule in India: Long-term Consequences." *Review of Economics and Statistics* 92 (4): 693-713. *Discover Economics video*.

Do, Quy-Toan, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2010. "Geography, Poverty and Conflict in Nepal." *Journal of Peace Research* 47 (6): 735-748.

Do, Quy-Toan, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2008. "Land Titling and Rural Transition in Vietnam." *Economic Development and Cultural Change* 56 (3): 531-579.

Banerjee, Abhijit, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2005. "History, Institutions and Economic Performance: The Legacy of Colonial Land Tenure Systems in India." *American Economic Review* 95(4): 1190-1213.
- Winner of the Michael Wallerstein Award from the American Political Science Association.

Working Papers and Work in Progress (see website for current versions)
Molina-Garzón, Adriana, **Lakshmi Iyer**, Phani Devarakonda, Valena McEwen, Braden Roosevelt, Nicolas Tsypin, Aemro Worku, Poulomi Ghosh, Ellis A. Adams, Krister P. Andersson, and Daniel C. Miller. 2025. "Can Interventions Reduce Rural Poverty While Conserving the Environment? A Systematic Review of Evidence from Randomized Controlled Trials."

Holman, Mirya, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Christina Wolbrecht. 2025. "Turning Votes into Power: New Women Voters and Access to Local Governance."

Iyer, Lakshmi, Paloma Lopez de mesa Moyano, and Vivek Moorthy. 2025. "Religion and Demography: Papal Influences on Fertility."

Lancker, Kira, **Lakshmi Iyer**, Faraz Usmani, James Allen, Molly Doruska, Jason Rohr, and Christopher Barrett. 2025. "Do private incentives crowd out public good donations? Evidence from a lab-in-the-field experiment."

Wolbrecht, Christina, Mirya Holman, **Lakshmi Iyer**, Samantha Chapa, Fiona Rodger, and Emma Schroder. 2025. "Gender and Local Political Ambition." Under contract with *Cambridge Elements*.

Holman, Mirya, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Christina Wolbrecht. 2025. "Tapping into power: Explaining women's access to local political power."

Iyer, Lakshmi, Susan Ostermann and Coleson Weir. 2025. "Political Incumbents and India's Electoral Redistricting: Evidence from Two States."

Bhalotra, Sonia, Irma Clots-Figueras, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2023. "Ethnic Conflict: The Role of Ethnic Representation." WIDER working paper 2023/84.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Margaret Triyana. 2022. "Gender Quotas and Crimes Against Women: Is There an Intensive Margin Effect?"

Books
Baig, Muhammad Faisal Ali, Quy-Toan Do, Daniel Garrote-Sanchez, **Lakshmi Iyer**, Chau Le, and Andrei Levchenko. 2020. *Violence without Borders: The Internationalization of Crime and Conflict*. World Bank Policy Research Report. Washington, D.C.: World Bank.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2016. *Institutions, Institutional Change and Economic Performance in Emerging Markets*. World Scientific Publishing.

Book Chapters and Invited Publications
Bhalotra, Sonia, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2026. "Women and the Economy." In *The Cambridge Economic History of Modern South Asia*, edited by Latika Chaudhary, Tirthankar Roy, and Anand V. Swamy. Cambridge University Press.

Clots-Figueras, Irma, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2025. "Gender and Natural Experiments in Developing Countries." Chapter 6 in *Handbook of Experimental Development Economics*, edited by Utteeyo Dasgupta and Pushkar Maitra. Edward Elgar. https://doi.org/10.4337/9781800885370.

Iyer, Lakshmi. Forthcoming. "Using Case Studies to Teach Development Economics." In *Teaching Development Economics,* edited by Amitava Dutt and Omar Dahi. Edward Elgar.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2017. "Direct versus Indirect Colonial Rule in India." In *The Long Economic and Political Shadow of History*, Volume 2, edited by Stelios Michalopoulos and Elias Papaionnou. CEPR VoxEU E-book.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2015. "The Long Run Consequences of Colonial Institutions." In *A New Economic History of Colonial India,* edited by Latika Chaudhary, Bishnupriya Gupta, Tirthankar Roy and Anand Swamy. Routledge.

Do, Quy-Toan, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2012. "Mental Health in the Aftermath of Conflict." In *Oxford Handbook of the Economics of Peace and Conflict,* edited by Michelle Garfinkel and Stergios Skaperdas. Oxford University Press.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2011. "Managing Conflict." In *Reshaping Tomorrow: Is South Asia Ready for the Big Leap*, edited by Ejaz Ghani. Oxford University Press.

- Blogs: *World Bank Economic Promise*. *IPA conference*. *VoxEU*.

Banerjee, Abhijit, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2010. "Colonial Land Tenure, Electoral Competition and Public Goods in India." In *Natural Experiments of History*, edited by Jared Diamond and James Robinson. Harvard University Press.

Ghani, Ejaz, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Saurabh Mishra. 2010. "Is Decentralization Helping the Lagging Regions?" In *The Poor Half Billion in South Asia*, edited by Ejaz Ghani. Oxford University Press.

- Blogs: *VoxEU*.

Ghani, Ejaz, **Lakshmi Iyer,** and Saurabh Mishra. 2010. "Are Lagging Regions Catching Up with Leading Regions?" In *The Poor Half Billion in South Asia,* edited by Ejaz Ghani. Oxford University Press.

- Blogs: *VoxEU*. *Ideas for India*.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2010. "The Political Economy of Public Service Provision in South Asia." In *People, Politics and Globalization: Annual World Bank Conference on Development Economics—Global 2009*, edited by Justin Yifu Lin and Boris Pleskovic. The World Bank.

Banerjee, Abhijit, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Rohini Somanathan. 2008. "Public Action for Public Goods." In *Handbook of Development Economics*, Volume 4, edited by T. Paul Schultz and John Strauss, 3117-3154.

Banerjee, Abhijit, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Rohini Somanathan. 2005. "History, Social Divisions and Public Goods in Rural India." *Journal of the European Economic Association* 3(2-3): 639-647.

Other Publications

Molina-Garzon, Adriana, Valena McEwen, Aemro Worku, Sacha Siani, **Lakshmi Iyer**, Ellis Adams, Krister Andersson, Daniel C. Miller. 2025. "Can interventions reduce extreme poverty and conserve the environment in rural areas? Evidence from RCTs: a Systematic Review Protocol." PROCEED-24-00309. https://doi.org/10.57808/proceed.2025.2

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2023. "Memo on 'Economic Determinants' by Carl Henrik Knutsen and Sirianne Dahlum." *Democracy and Autocracy* 21(1).

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Susan Ostermann. 2019. "The Faith Factor: Reflections from a Recent Conference on Religion, Public Policy and Development in South Asia." *Maydan* (online publication of the Ali Vural Ak Center for Global Islamic Studies, George Mason University).

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2014. "The Electoral Participation of Women." *Yojana* Magazine, July 14.

Banerjee, Abhijit, and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2013. "Response to 'A Re-examination of Banerjee and Iyer' by Iversen, Palmer-Jones and Sen." *Journal of Development Studies* 49(12): 1647-1650.

Alfaro, Laura, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Semil Shah. 2009. "India's Pockets of Prosperity?" *The Christian Science Monitor*, July 31.

Book Reviews

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2022. Review of *Law and the Economy in a Young Democracy* by Tirthankar Roy and Anand Swamy, *EH.net*.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2008. Review of *Economic Cooperation between Singapore and India: An alliance in the making?* by Faizal bin Yahya, *South Asian Review*, December.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2007. Review of *Understanding Civil War: Volumes 1 and 2* by Paul Collier and Nicholas Sambanis. *Journal of Economic Literature*, March.

Blog Posts and Podcasts

Faguet, Jean-Paul, **Lakshmi Iyer** and Sarmishta Pal. 2023. "The growing wave of decentralisation: Comparative evidence from developing countries." *Ideas for India Conversation*.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2023. "Democracy and Political Participation in India." Interviewed by Tim Phillips, *CEPR VoxTalks*.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2023. "Women's Economic Empowerment." Interviewed by Grace Ortuzar, Kellogg Institute *Global Stage* podcast series.

Gupta, Bishnupriya and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2022. "The Role of History in Shaping India's Development." *Ideas for India Conversation*.

Holtzer, Imre Gabor, **Lakshmi Iyer**, Eduardo Pagés Jimenez and Angelina Soriano Nuncio. 2021. "Upholding Human Dignity Amid COVID-19 and Economic Collapse." *Dignity and Development*, Keough School of Global Affairs, June 21.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2020. "Understanding the Ideas Behind the 2019 Nobel Prize in Economics." All Else Equal podcast.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2019. "Getting More Women into Politics: Evidence from Elections in India." *VoxEU* podcast.

Research Grants and Contracts

Notre Dame Poverty Initiative, 2024-2027, "Equipping Communities to Escape from Disease-Poverty Traps and Increasing Equity in Africa," with Jason Rohr and Chris Barrett.

ISLA Research Innovation Labs, University of Notre Dame, 2024-2026, "Representation of Women Lab," with Christina Wolbrecht.

Notre Dame Poverty Initiative, 2024-2027, "Innovating pathways out of poverty in forest landscapes of the Global South," with Ellis Adams, Krister Andersson and Daniel Miller.

Senior personnel on NSF DISES Grant, 2023-2027, "Integrating Socio-Economic and Environmental Interventions to Improve Well-Being in Vulnerable Communities," (PIs Barrett, Rohr, Riveau, Jouanard, Mbaye).

British Academy/Leverhulme Small Research Grant, 2023-2024, "Electoral Accountability, Local Government Spending and Development in South Asia," with Latika Chaudhary and Rinchan Ali Mirza.

Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, College of Arts and Letters, University of Notre Dame, 2023, "Electoral Accountability, Local Government Spending and Development in South Asia," with Latika Chaudhary and Rinchan Ali Mirza.

Program evaluation for United WE's Appointments Project, 2021-2026, with Mirya Holman and Christina Wolbrecht.

Notre Dame International, Asia Research Collaboration Grant, 2019-2022, "No Taxation without Representation? Evidence from Indian Municipal Boards," with Latika Chaudhary.

King Philanthropies and Landesa Rural Development Institute, 2018-2022, "Impact Evaluation of Land Allocation Programs in Myanmar," with Alexandra Hartman and Edmund Malesky.

Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, College of Arts and Letters, University of Notre Dame, 2018-19, "Liberte, Parite, Securite: Women's Political Representation and Crime," with Margaret Triyana.

Helen Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, 2018-20, "Liberte, Parite, Securite: Women's Political Representation and Crime," with Margaret Triyana.

Helen Kellogg Institute for International Studies, University of Notre Dame, 2016-17, "Administrative and Political Decentralization in India: Determinants and Consequences."

Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, College of Arts and Letters, University of Notre Dame, 2016, "Electoral Redistricting in the World's Largest Democracy."

Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, 2015-16, "Be the Change You Want to See: Leadership Training and Women's Political Participation," with Anandi Mani.

International Growth Centre, 2015-16, "Be the Change You Want to See: Leadership Training and Women's Political Participation," with Anandi Mani.

International Growth Centre, 2015, "Andhra Pradesh CM's Dashboard Pilot Project," with Rwitwika Bhattacharya and Noopur Abhishek.

International Growth Centre, 2014, "Religion: Politicians and Voters in India," with Sonia Bhalotra and Irma Clots-Figueras.

International Growth Centre, 2012, "Religion, Politics and Public Goods," with Sonia Bhalotra, Irma Clots-Figueras and Guilhem Cassan.

International Growth Centre, 2010, "Politician Identity, Policy Implementation and Human Development Outcomes," with Sonia Bhalotra and Irma Clots-Figueras.
Program on Indian Economic Policies, Chazen Institute, Columbia Business School, 2010, with Laura Alfaro and Anusha Chari.
MIT Schultz Fund award for research and data collection in Vietnam, 2001.

Honors, Awards and Fellowships

Notre Dame All-Faculty Team, 2025.
Excellence in MGA Teaching Award, Keough School of Global Affairs, 2025.
Teaching recognition, Department of Economics, Fall 2023.
Dean's Faculty Recognition Award, Keough School of Global Affairs, 2019.
Featured in Women Lead 2018, University of Notre Dame.
Marvin Bower Fellow, Harvard Business School, 2011-2013.
Excellence in Refereeing Award, 2007-08, *American Economic Review*.
Michael Wallerstein award for the best published article in political economy, American Political Science Association, 2006.
MIT Robert M. Solow Endowment Prize for Graduate Student Excellence in Teaching and Research, 2003.
Graduate Student Fellowship, MacArthur Network on the Effects of Inequality on Economic Performance, 2002.
MIT Department of Economics Fellowship, 1999-2000.
MIT Walter Rosenblith Fellowship, 1998-99.
Junior Research Fellowship, Indian Statistical Institute, 1997-98.
P.C.Mahalanobis Symposium in Statistics award for best student, Indian Statistical Institute, 1997.
Full tuition and scholarship award, Indian Statistical Institute, 1992-97.
Ranked 1st nationwide in Indian School Certificate Examination (ICSE), 1990.

Teaching Experience

Department of Economics, University of Notre Dame
Microeconomic Development (PhD field course): Spring 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021, Fall 2023, Fall 2024.
Political Economy of Development (advanced undergraduate elective): Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Spring 2019, Spring 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2023, Fall 2025.

Keough School of Global Affairs, University of Notre Dame
Economics of Growth and Development (Master of Global Affairs): Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Spring 2021, Fall 2021, Spring 2024, Spring 2025, Spring 2026.
Exploring Global Development (undergraduate elective, formerly Introduction to International Development Studies): Spring 2022, Spring 2024, Fall 2025.
Climate Change and Environmental Policy (Master of Global Affairs): Fall 2018.
Political Economy of Conflict, Institutions and Social Action (directed readings): Fall 2021.
Political Economy of South Asia (directed readings): Spring 2019.

Harvard Business School
Program for Leadership Development (executive education): 2013-2015.
Institutions, Macroeconomics and the Global Economy (second-year MBA elective course): Winter 2012, 2013, 2014.

Business, Government and the International Economy (first-year MBA required course): Winter 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2010.
Economics of Markets (first-year MBA course): Fall 2004.
Business Management Study Group: 2005, 2006.

Other
Advanced Graduate Workshop on Development, Globalization and Poverty, Bengaluru: July 2022, July 2023.
IGC-ISI Summer School in Development Economics, New Delhi: July 2019.
Harvard Kennedy School, Economics Instructor, mid-career MPA Program: Summer 2001, 2002.

Advising

PhD dissertation committee; *first placement*
University of Notre Dame:
Linh Nguyen (2020); *Bates College*
Chungyeun Yoon (2020); *Korea Development Institute*
Reyes Ruiz (2019); *Altor Investment Bank*
Sara Esfahani (2018); *Sam Houston State University*

Harvard University:
Rohit Chandra (2018); *Centre for Policy Research, New Delhi*

External PhD reviewer:
Shashi Karunanethy, University of Melbourne (2021)
Harsh Malhotra, Toulouse School of Economics (2019)
Aparajita Das, PUC-Rio (2018)
Guilhem Cassan, Paris School of Economics (2011)

Undergraduate and masters advising
University of Notre Dame:
Rebecca Nindorera (2025); masters capstone
James Reintjes (2025); senior thesis
Grady Hornbeek (2024); senior thesis
Colin Kremus (2024); senior thesis
Bridget Schippers (2024); senior thesis
Alix Basden (2022); senior thesis
Isabel Edgar (2021); senior thesis
- Bernoulli Award Honorable Mention for outstanding undergraduate empirical research

Charles Hanzel (2021); senior thesis
- Bernoulli Award 2nd prize for outstanding undergraduate empirical research
- Navari Family Center for Digital Scholarship award

Madeline Penn (2021); senior thesis
- Bernoulli Award 2nd prize for outstanding undergraduate empirical research

Zhefan (Laure) Zhang (2021); senior thesis
- Bernoulli Award Honorable Mention for outstanding undergraduate empirical research

Claire O'Brien (2020); senior thesis
- John H. Sheehan award for best senior honors essay (Department of Economics)
- Bernoulli Award 1st prize for outstanding undergraduate empirical research

Rose Pupel (2019); Global Affairs capstone
Adam Battalio (2018); senior thesis

Harvard University:
Bishnu Thapa (2010); senior thesis
Clifford Beltzer (2010); senior thesis

Course Materials

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Eduardo Pages. 2022. "Joe Biden's Spending Plans: Building Back Better?" Keough School of Global Affairs Case Study. https://doi.org/10.7274/p8418k75509.
Contact keoughschool@nd.edu for Teaching Notes.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Francisco Rodriguez. 2021. "Hyperinflation in Venezuela." Keough School of Global Affairs Case Study. https://doi.org/10.7274/r0-z7wm-f385.
Contact keoughschool@nd.edu for Teaching Notes.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2014. "Property Rights and Policy Authority: Institutions and Institutional Change in Emerging Markets." Harvard Business School Module Note 714-045.

Alfaro, Laura, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Hilary White. 2015. "The United Kingdom and the Means to Prosperity." Harvard Business School Case 715-007.
Alfaro, Laura, Lakshmi Iyer, and Hilary White. 2015. "The United Kingdom and the Means to Prosperity." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 715-055.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and David Lane. 2015. "Indonesia: Growth and Stability in a Global Economy." Harvard Business School Case 715-002.
Iyer, Lakshmi. 2016. "Indonesia: Growth and Stability in a Global Economy (TN)." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 716-063.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and David Lane. 2013. "Indonesia's OJK: Building Financial Stability." Harvard Business School Case 713-003.
Iyer, Lakshmi. 2014. "Indonesia's OJK: Building Financial Stability (TN)." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 714-046.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2013. "Monetary Policy and Bank Supervision." Harvard Business School Technical Note 713-073.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Ian Cornell. 2013. "The World Bank in 2012: Choosing a Leader." Harvard Business School Case 713-013.
Iyer, Lakshmi. 2014. "The World Bank in 2012: Choosing a Leader (TN)." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 714-047.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and G.A. Donovan. 2013. "Urbanizing China." Harvard Business School Case 713-037.
- Featured at Caseplace.org (Aspen Institute)

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2014. "Urbanizing China (TN)." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 714-037.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Richard H. K. Vietor. 2012. "India 2014: The Challenges of Governance." Harvard Business School Case 712-038.

Iyer, Lakshmi. "India 2014: The Challenges of Governance (TN)." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 714-038.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Namrata Arora. 2011. "Hollywood in India: Protecting Intellectual Property (A)." Harvard Business School Case 711-017.

- Part of HBS Premier Case Collection 2012.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Namrata Arora. 2011. "Hollywood in India: Protecting Intellectual Property (B)." Harvard Business School Case 711-018.

Iyer, Lakshmi. "Hollywood in India: Protecting Intellectual Property (A) and (B) (TN)." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 711-076.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Matthew Weinzierl. 2010. "Ben Bernanke: Person of the Year?" Harvard Business School Case 710-051.

Iyer, Lakshmi, John Macomber, and Namrata Arora. 2010. "Dhārāvi: Developing Asia's Largest Slum (A)." Harvard Business School Case 710-004.

- Featured in *HBS Alumni Bulletin*, March 2010. Part of HBS Premier Case Collection 2011.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and John Macomber. 2011. "Dhārāvi: Developing Asia's Largest Slum (B)." Harvard Business School Case 711-107, with John Macomber.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and John Macomber. 2010. "Dhārāvi: Developing Asia's Largest Slum (TN)." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 710-011, with John Macomber.

Alfaro, Laura and **Lakshmi Iyer**. 2008. "Special Economic Zones in India: Public Purpose and Private Property (A)." Harvard Business School Case 709-027.

- Part of HBS Premier Case Collection 2013.

Alfaro, Laura, Lakshmi Iyer, and Namrata Arora. 2009. "Tata Motors in Singur: Public Purpose and Private Property (B)." Harvard Business School Case 709-029.

Alfaro, Laura, Lakshmi Iyer, and Rachna Tahilyani. 2013."Land Acquisition in India: Public Purpose and Private Property (C)." Harvard Business School Case 714-023.

Alfaro, Laura, and Lakshmi Iyer. 2009. "Public Purpose and Private Property (A) and (B) (TN)." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 709-028.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2007. "Punjab and Kerala: Regional Development in India," Harvard Business School Case 707-008.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2008. "Punjab and Kerala: Regional Development in India (TN)." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 708-047.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2005. "To Trade or Not to Trade: NAFTA and the Prospects for Free Trade in the Americas." Harvard Business School Case 705-034.

Iyer, Lakshmi. 2006. "To Trade or Not to Trade: NAFTA and the Prospects of Free Trade in the Americas (TN)." Harvard Business School Teaching Note 706-011.

Iyer, Lakshmi, and Noel Maurer. 2006. "What Should the Federal Reserve Do? Thoughts of Greenspan and Bernanke." Harvard Business School Case 706-017.

Abdelal, Rawi, **Lakshmi Iyer**, and Noel Maurer. 2006. "Business, Government, and the International

Economy (BGIE): Course Overview." Harvard Business School Note 706-029.

Keynote Lectures
2022: Rare Voices in Economics Conference (Geneva).
2016: Asian Development Research Institute Silver Jubilee Conference (Patna); Workshop on Emerging Economies (University of New South Wales).

Seminar and Conference Presentations (since 2020; * indicates virtual)
2025: Building Inclusive Growth (BIG) Forum (Notre Dame)
2024: University of Alabama; Cornell University.
2023: Notre Dame South Asia Working Group; Virginia Tech; Economic History Lunch (Northwestern University); Notre Dame South Asia Conference; Mid-Midwest Applied Microeconomics Workshop; ASREC Europe Conference.
2022: University of Wisconsin*; University of Southern California*; Conference on "Microeconomic Approaches to Development Economics" (University of Kent)*; Western Economic Association Conference*; World Economic History Congress (Paris)*; University of Georgia; Structural Transformation and Economic Growth (STEG)*; Louisiana State University; Northwestern University; Notre Dame Rooney Center; Annual Economics Conference (Ashoka University); Annual Conference on Growth and Development (ISI Delhi).
2021: Notre Dame Law & Economics seminar; Notre Dame FIRE Round Table; CAGE conference (University of Warwick)*; UC Irvine*; Southern Economic Association Conference*; Annual Conference on Growth and Development (ISI Delhi)*.
2020: Conflict and Polarization Initiative Conference (Stanford); Presidency University (Kolkata)*; University of Exeter*; George Mason University*.

Invited Discussions (since 2020)
AMIE 4thWorkshop in Applied Microeconomics (2025)*; PODER ND-ITAM conference (2023)*; Society for Economics Research in India (2023)*; "Why Democracies Develop and Decline" conference (2023); Kellogg Institute work-in-progress (2022); Western Economic Association (2022)*; Southern Economic Association (2021)*.

Media Mentions
The Economist, New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Slate.com, Economic Times, The Times of India, The Globe and Mail, NPR, The Statesman, Deccan Herald, Business Standard, The Hindu, Hindustan Times.

Professional Service
Editorial Board Member, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 2013-present.
Editorial Board Member, *Ideas for India*, 2014-present.
Executive Committee Member, Economic History Association for South Asia, 2014-present.
Member, Executive Committee, Association for Comparative Economic Studies (ACES), 2014-17.

University of Notre Dame
Academic Director, Building Inclusive Growth (BIG) Lab, 2024-present.
Graduate Students Committee, Department of Economics, 2025-26.
Faculty Recruiting Committee, Department of Economics, 2024-25.
Search Committee for Dean of the Keough School of Global Affairs, 2023-24.
Editorial Board, Keough School Case Study Initiative, 2021-present.
Faculty Committee, Kellogg Institute for International Studies, 2017-present.

South Asia Faculty Advisory Committee, Notre Dame International, 2021-present.
Chair Advisory Committee, Department of Economics, 2021-22.
MGA Admissions Committee, Keough School of Global Affairs, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2022.
Faculty Director, Sustainable Development concentration, Keough School of Global Affairs, 2017-2020.
Keough School Search Committee for Environmental Policy position, 2019-20.
Keough School Search Committee for Development Economics position, 2018-19.
Liu Institute Search Committee for Asian and Gender Studies position, 2017-18.
Visiting Fellows Selection Committee, Kellogg Institute 2016-17.

Harvard Business School
Member, Junior Faculty Recruiting Committee, 2012-2013.

Conference and Seminar Organization
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Program Committee Member: NEUDC 2007, 2010, 2013, 2014.
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