

# SWACHHATOYA DAS

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## **PRINCIPAL INTERESTS**

Migration, Population Studies, Economic Geography, Labor Geography, Geography of Gender, Urban Geography, Settlement Geography, Social and Cultural Geography, Globalization, South Asia

## **EDUCATION**

### ***Ph.D. in Geography***

**Aug 2023 - Present**

University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Tennessee, USA  
Advisor: Dr. Madhuri Sharma

### ***MSc in Geography***

**2020-2022**

Savitribai Phule Pune University, Pune, Maharashtra, India  
Gold Medalist; CGPA: 9.91/10.

### ***BSc in Geography (Honors)***

**2017-2020**

Lady Brabourne College (University of Calcutta), Kolkata, West Bengal, India  
First class; 65.13%  
Minor in Economics and Sociology

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### ***Graduate Teaching Assistant***

**Aug 2023 - Present**

Department of Geography & Sustainability, University of Tennessee  
GEOG 101: World Geography  
GEOG 131: Weather, Climate, and Climate Change  
GEOG 132: Landscapes and Environmental Change  
GEOG 204: Understanding Climate Change

### ***Guest Lectureship***

GEOG 340: Economic Geography in the Modern World  
GEOG 375: Society and Spaces of South Asia

**Oct 2024**

**Apr 2024**

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### ***Ethnic Geography Specialty Group, American Association of Geographers***

**2025 – Present**

Student Representative  
Student Committee Member

### ***Department of Geography & Sustainability, University of Tennessee***

**2024 – 2025**

Grad Representative to Undergraduate Program Committee  
Departmental Archivist

### ***Chhapai.com***

**Mar 2020 - Dec 2020**

Social Media Public Relations Manager  
Social Media Archivist, Data Curator

### ***Calcutta Apologue***

**2017-2018**

Social Media Public Relations Manager

## **PROJECTS**

### ***University of Tennessee, Knoxville***

Patterns of labor migration from India to the United States.

**2023 - Present**

### ***Savitribai Phule Pune University***

Physical and Socio-Economic Survey of Dandeli and Anshi Talukas, Karnataka, and Devbag town and Tarkarli coast, Maharashtra, India. Advisor: Ravindra G. Jaybhaye. **April 2022**

Understanding Economic Migration and Patterns from West Bengal to Indian States: A Scenario from 2001 and 2011 Census. Advisor: Prof. Ajay A. Gawari. **Jan 2022 - Jun 2022**

Crisis of Indian Students in Studying Abroad: Impact of Covid 19 on International Migration of Indian Students. Advisor: Dr. Vijaya P. Khairkar. **Sep 2021 - Dec 2021**

Understanding the Changing Global Migration Patterns Post Covid-19 Pandemic. Advisor: Dr. Vijaya P. Khairkar. **Jul 2021 - Sep 2021**

***Lady Brabourne College, University of Calcutta*** **Aug 2019 - Jan 2020**  
Socio-Economic Survey of Uttar Dhupjhora, Jalpaiguri district, West Bengal, India. Advisor: Dr. Manasi De.

### **CONFERENCES and ACADEMIC PARTICIPATIONS**

Presented “**Gendered Income Disparities among Indian Immigrants in the United States: Returns of Human Capital to Income.**” at the RGS Annual International Conference held at University of Birmingham, UK. **Aug 2025**

Presented “**Gendered Income Disparities among Indian Immigrant Workers in the United States: Analyzing the Returns of Education to Income.**” at the AAG Annual Meeting held at Detroit, Michigan, USA. **Mar 2025**

Presented “**Mind the Gap: Gendered Income Disparities and Returns of Education for Indian Immigrant Workers in the United States.**” at 5th Biennial Geography Symposium held at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, USA. **Feb 2025**

Presented “**Examining the Gendered Nature of Labor Migration: An Indian Perspective.**” at the 79<sup>th</sup> SEDAAG Annual Meeting held at Greenville, South Carolina, USA. **Nov 2024**

Presented “**Understanding Economic Migration and Patterns from West Bengal to Indian States: A Scenario from 2001 and 2011 Census.**” at 43<sup>rd</sup> I.I.G Annual Meet and International Conference held at Osmania University, Hyderabad, India. **Dec 2022**

### **SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENTS**

Awarded *Young Geographer Award* (2nd prize), at 43<sup>rd</sup> I.I.G Annual Meet and International Conference on *Challenges of Future Earth: Social, Economic and Environmental Sustainability* held at Osmania University, Hyderabad, India. **Dec 2022**

Awarded *Gold Medal* in the Master’s program at the Department of Geography and Geoinformatics, Savitribai Phule Pune University, India. **Aug 2022**

Awarded *Certificate of Excellence* in QGIS (Webel). **Jan 2020**

### **SKILLS**

MS Office, Stata, SPSS, JMP, QGIS

### **LANGUAGES**

Bengali (Mother tongue), English, Hindi, Marathi, German (A2 level)