

South Asia SIG – Meet the Committee Members,
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I am the Chair for the SASIG. I am an assistant professor in the College of Education at Michigan State University where I teach graduate classes in quantitative research methods, economics of education and international and comparative education. My current research focuses on determinants of access to education and learning achievement in developing countries.

I have been an active CIES member since 2003 when I was a graduate student at Stanford University. Over the years I recognized that there was a strong unmet need for a SIG focused on South Asia and South Asian Diaspora. With the help of excellent colleagues I worked to put together the SIG in 2008. It is exciting to become a formal group and now we look forward to growing. Like my fellow committee members, I too am committed to creating a space for dialogue among researchers, policymakers and practitioners interested in the SIG's mission area. I am also deeply committed to mentoring and supporting graduate scholars through the SIG.