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EDUCATION

2026–Present	PURDUE UNIVERSITY Ph.D. in Political Science <ul style="list-style-type: none">Major: Public Policy; Minor: Research MethodsResearch Assistant to Prof. Tara Grillos; Researcher, Governance and Responsible AI Lab (GRAIL)
2025	NEW YORK UNIVERSITY, GRADUATE SCHOOL OF ARTS AND SCIENCE M.A. in International Relations
2022	UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES, SCHOOL OF LAW LL.M., International & Comparative Law and Law & Philosophy
2020	SCHOOL OF LAW, CHRIST UNIVERSITY, BANGALORE B.A. LL.B. (Hons.) <ul style="list-style-type: none">Dissertation: Public International Law, Global IP Regimes, and Indigenous Rights

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2025–2026	NATIONAL LAW SCHOOL OF INDIA UNIVERSITY, BANGALORE Assistant Professor <ul style="list-style-type: none">Co-created the Digital Government ClinicCourses taught: Law of Torts; Labour and Industrial Jurisprudence
2022–2023	JINDAL GLOBAL LAW SCHOOL Assistant Professor <ul style="list-style-type: none">Course taught: Labour and Industrial Jurisprudence

PUBLICATIONS

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

- Gururagavendran, Bharath. 2026. “Recovering Constitutional Identity in Colonial South India: Sedition, Sovereignty, and Small-C Constitutionalism in Pudukkottai.” [National Law School Journal](#) 18(2).
- Gururagavendran, Bharath. 2023. “Locating Novel Protections for the Traditional Knowledge of Indigenous Communities in Customary International Law.” [UCLA Journal of International Law & Foreign Affairs](#).
- Gururagavendran, Bharath. “The Coloniality of Sovereign Debt in the Global South.” In *How to Reform the Global Debt and Financial Architecture*, edited by James Thuo Gathii. Afronomics and [Sheria Publishing House](#).
- Basu, Arindrajit, and Bharath Gururagavendran. 2024. “Unveiling India’s Cyber Strategy: Navigating International Law and Indian State Practice on Security Operations.” In *Cybersecurity Governance and Normative Frameworks: Non-Western Countries and International Organizations Perspectives*, Quaderno 29, edited by Pietro Gargiulo, Davide Giovannelli, et al. [NATO CCDCOE](#).

POLICY PUBLICATIONS

- UCLA Institute for Technology, Law, and Policy. Co-authored a report on public- and private-sector uses of facial recognition technologies for the U.S. Office of Science and Technology Policy. [*On file – email for copy*]
- UCLA Institute for Technology, Law, and Policy. Co-authored a [report](#) with Bolo Bhi analyzing Pakistan’s online content moderation laws; submitted to the Lahore High Court.
- NYU Center for Human Rights and Global Justice. Authored a regulatory landscape report on India’s digital public infrastructure for a book project led by Profs. Philip Alston and Victoria Adelmant. [*On file – email for copy*]
- NYU Center for Human Rights and Global Justice. Contributed to citation and factchecking to a Global Justice Clinic [report](#) on Haiti and climate injustice.

RESEARCH & PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2025–2026	UCL INSTITUTE FOR INNOVATION AND PUBLIC PURPOSE <i>Research Consultant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Developing a case study on India's credit markets-DPI with Prof. David Eaves' team at IIPP
2025	CENTRE FOR RESPONSIBLE AI, INDIAN INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MADRAS <i>Research Consultant</i>
2024	NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW, CENTER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS & GLOBAL JUSTICE <i>Research Assistant</i>
2023	NATO COOPERATIVE CYBER DEFENCE CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE (CCDCOE) <i>Research Consultant</i>
2021–2022	INSTITUTE FOR TECHNOLOGY, LAW, AND POLICY, UCLA <i>Research Assistant</i>
2020–2021	PRS LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH, NEW DELHI Legislative Fellow to Member of Parliament, Shri. Asaduddin Owaisi

SELECT PAPER PRESENTATIONS

2025	National Law School Faculty Seminar
2024	NYU Law Emerging Scholars Conference Plurilateral Agreement on Constitutional Transformations, NLSIU Conference , co-hosted by Oxford University, SOAS, and the University of York, with AHRC funding
2022	American Society of International Law Midyear Meeting, University of Miami
2022	Journal of International Law and Foreign Affairs Symposium , UCLA

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS & PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

AWARDS

2025	NEW YORK UNIVERSITY Outstanding Thesis Award , Honourable Mention
2024–2025	NYU MIGRATION NETWORK Graduate Student Award for Summer Research on Migration
2022	UCLA SCHOOL OF LAW Masin Family Gold Medal Award (Highest in Public International Law)

FELLOWSHIPS

2024–2025	MERCATUS CENTER, GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY Frederic Bastiat Fellow
2022	AFRONOMICS LAW Inaugural African Sovereign Debt Justice Network Academy Fellow
2021–2022	UCLA SCHOOL OF LAW Dean's Tuition Financial Aid Fellow

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS & LEADERSHIP

2026	INDIAAI IMPACT SUMMIT <i>Contributor, Working Group on Safe & Trusted AI</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Contributed to public and closed-door conclaves on governance frameworks for Safe & Trusted AI
2023–2024	JOURNAL OF POLITICAL INQUIRY, NYU <i>Managing Editor</i>
2019-2020	CHRIST UNIVERSITY, SCHOOL OF LAW <i>Debate Coach, Literary & Debating Society</i>
2017–2019	DIALOGUE <i>Co-Founder & Legal Advisor</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Designed and administered baseline/endline stakeholder perception surveys across government schools in Karnataka; led outreach, fundraising, and organised bipartisan civic forums featuring MPs, bureaucrats, and youth leadersRecognized by the Chief Minister of Karnataka at the Bengaluru Youth Festival and nationally profiled in The Hindu