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**CURRENT POSITION**

Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology, National University of Singapore (Dec 2015-*present*)

Research Associate, Centre for Family and Population Research, National University of Singapore (Dec 2015 - *present*)

Steering Committee Member, Center for Family and Population Research, National University of Singapore (January 2022 - *present*)

Academic Convenorship for the Minor in Health and Social Sciences, National University of Singapore (January 2022 - *present*)

**EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Sociology, University of Maryland, College Park, 2015

M.A. in Sociology, University of Maryland, College Park, 2010

M.A. in Social Work with specialization in Family and Child Welfare, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, 2004

B.A. in Psychology and Sociology, St. Xavier's College, University of Mumbai, 2002

**AREAS OF SPECIALIZATION**

Demography, Gender, Family and the Life Course**,** Social Determinants of Health

**PUBLICATIONS**

1. **Peer-reviewed Journals**
2. **Vikram, Kriti,** Abhijit Visariaand Dibyashree Ganguly\*. Forthcoming. **“**Child Marriage as a Risk Factor for Non-communicable Diseases Among Women in India.” *International Journal of Epidemiology.*
3. **Vikram, Kriti**. 2023. “Modern Marriage in a Traditional Society: The Influence of College Education on Marriage in India.” *Journal of Family Issues*, 0192513X231155591.
4. **Vikram, Kriti.** 2023 “Fathers’ Migration and Nutritional Outcomes of Left-Behind Children in India” *Population Research and Policy Review*. *42*(1), 7
5. **Vikram, Kriti**. 2021**.**“ Early Marriage and Health among Women at Midlife: Evidence from India.” *Journal of Marriage and Family* 83(5),1480-1501.

Certified as a top cited article among those published in an issue between 1 Jan 2021-15 Dec 2022 in the *Journal of Marriage and Family.*

1. **Vikram, Kriti.** 2021**.** “Fathers’ Migration and Academic Achievement among Left-Behind Children in India: Evidence of Continuity and Change in Gender Preferences.” *International Migration Review*  55(4): 964–998. **(**Lead article)
2. **Vikram, Kriti** and Namrata Chindarkar. 2020. “Bridging the Gender Gap in Cognitive Achievement in India: The crucial role of the Integrated Child Development Services in Early Childhood.” *World Development* 127:104697.
3. **Vikram, Kriti** and Reeve Vanneman. 2020. “Maternal Education and the Multidimensionality of Child Health Outcomes in India.” *Journal of Biosocial Science* 52(1): 57-77.
4. **Vikram, Kriti**. 2018. “Social Capital and Child Nutrition in India: The Moderating Role of Development.” *Health & Place* 50: 42–51.
5. **Vikram,** **Kriti,** Feinian Chen, and Sonalde Desai. 2018. “Mothers’ Work Patterns, Contribution to School Activities and Children’s Cognitive Development: Evidence from the India Human Development Survey.” *Social Science Research* 72: 207-224.
6. Chen, Feinian, Hui Liu, **Kriti Vikram,** and Yu Guo. 2015. “For better or for worse: The health implications of marriage separation by migration in China.” *Demography* 52(4):1321-43.
7. **Vikram, Kriti**, Reeve Vanneman, and Sonalde Desai. 2012. “The Linkages between Maternal Education and Childhood Immunization in India.” *Social Science and Medicine* 75(July): 331-339.

Coverage on BBC and Huffington Post:

# 100 Women: Is child vaccination boosted by educating mothers? <https://www.bbc.com/news/health-41280113>

Being Bold For Change: Uncovering Gender Gaps In Immunization Coverage

<https://www.huffpost.com/entry/being-bold-for-change-uncovering-gender-gaps-in-immunization_b_59de078de4b0df59e2613d5b>

1. **Book Chapters**
2. **Vikram, Kriti** and Abhijit Visaria. 2021. “Second Demographic Transition”. Chapter 663-1 in Gu, Danan and Matthew E. Dupre (Eds). *Encyclopedia of Gerontology and Population Aging*. Cham: Springer.
3. **Vikram, Kriti.** 2019. “The Perennial Dilemma: Motherhood, Employment and Impact on Children.”, in Yeung, J and L. L. Thang (Eds.) *Family and Population in Asia.* Singapore: Centre for Family and Population Research, National University of Singapore.
4. Nadkarni, Vimla and **Kriti Vikram**. 2009. “The Right to Health: Illusion or Possibility?” in Bywaters, Paul, Eileen McLeod and Lindsey Napier (Eds.). *Social Work and Global Health Inequalities: Policy and Practice Developments.* University of Bristol: The Policy Press.
5. **Manuscripts Under Review and In Preparation**
6. **Vikram, Kriti**, Ganguly. Dibyasree\* and Srinivas Goli. “Time Use Patterns and Household Adversities: A Lens to Understand the Construction of Gender Privilege among Children and Adolescents in India.” Revision requested at *Social Science Research*.
7. **Vikram, Kriti**, Ganguly. Dibyasree\* and Nursarah Binte Suprat.\*“Child Marriage, Early Motherhood and Body-Mass Index among women in India: A Paradoxical and Evolving Relationship.”

Paper presented at PAA 2023 in a session titled, “Adult Health in Low- and Middle-Income Countries.”

1. Ganguly, Dibyasree\* and **Kriti Vikram.** “The Adverse role of Domesticity: Gender, Time Use, and BMI among adolescents in India.”

Paper presented at PAA 2023 in a session titled, “Time Use and Well-being.”

1. Chindarkar, Namrata and **Kriti Vikram**. “Caste-based Discrimination and Education in India.”
2. **Vikram, Kriti,** Lee**,** Hyo Jung, and Abhijit Visaria“ Gender Inequality, Child Marriage and Health in Later Life Among Men and Women.”
3. **Vikram, Kriti,** Visaria, Abhijit, and Vineeta Sinha**. “**Health Implication of Sexual Harassment in India.”

Paper to be presented at ASA 2023 in a session titled, “Sexual Harassment and Violence.”

7. **Vikram, Kriti** and Shawn Wong Jun Kit**\*** “Predictive Validity of Self Rated Health in India.”

8. Lee, Hyo Jung and **Kriti Vikram**. “Early Adversity and Cognition in Later Life in India.”

\* Student authors.

**GRANTS**

Principle Investigator, *Health Implications of Gender Inequality: Articulating A Global Research Agenda*. Ministry of Education, Academic Research Fund, Government of Singapore. S$ 624,351.

Collaborator, *Completing the Picture: Strengthening Fathers’ Roles in Early Child Health and Neurodevelopment Through Targeted Interventions*, 2022-2025. Singapore Institute for Clinical Science. S$ 611,844.

Collaborator, *Reimagine Research: Collaboration between the School of Public Health and Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences,* National University of Singapore. S$250,000.

Principal Investigator, *CFPR Faculty Development Grant*, Centre for Family and Population Research, 2021-2022, National University of Singapore. S$10,000.

Principal Investigator, *Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences Start-Up Grant*, National University of Singapore. S$40,000.

**AWARDS**

Robert W. Janes Commemorative Award, University of Maryland. Spring 2014

*This faculty award recognizes an outstanding graduate student in the department of Sociology.*

Harriet Presser Fellowship, Department of Sociology, University of Maryland. Spring 2014.

*The recipient of the inaugural Harriet Presser Fellowship meant to support a graduate student for a semester whose work focuses on the intersection of population and gender.*

*(Tuition waver and research fellowship for a semester)*

Award from the Dean, College of Behavioral and Social Sciences, University of Maryland. 2012

*The College of Behavioral and Social Sciences instituted a student award in Dr.Reeve Vanneman’s name to honor his service as the Chair of the Department of Sociology.* $500.

Graduate Student Summer Research Fellowship, University of Maryland. 2012

*The Graduate Student Summer Research Fellowships is a competitive scholarship program at the university level that funds students to concentrate on their research over summer.* $5000.

Summer Research Award, Department of Sociology, University of Maryland. 2012.

*The Summer Research Award is a competitive scholarship provided by the department of Sociology to fund student research over summer. $4,000*

Population Trainee Award, Maryland Population Research Center. 2010-11

*Selected as one of five trainees through a competitive process at the university level. The trainees receive assistantship to work on their own project for a year. (Research stipend and tuition waver for one academic year).*

**PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

Elected Student Council Member on the Section on Families, American Sociological Association, 2011-2013

Organizing Committee Member, International Sociological Association Joint Conference for RC06 (Family) & RC41 (Population), Singapore, May 17-19, 2018

Session Organizer: Families, Health, and Well-Being, Population Association of America, 2022.

Editorial Board Member, Canadian Studies in Population (August 2021- *present*)

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Courses taught at National University of Singapore:

SC2208: Population and Society

SC2101: Social Research Methods

SC4481: Selected Topics in Health and Society

SC4101: Practicing Sociology and Anthropology

Teaching Assistance at University of Maryland:

SOCY 709: Categorical Data Analysis, taught by Dr. Feinian Chen, Spring 2013

SOCY 100: Introduction to Sociology, taught by Dr. John Pease, Fall 2008, Spring 2009

**Undergraduate Honors Students Advised**

Thien Zhi Yang, Reuben. 2023. *Barriers to Breast Cancer Screening amongst Women in Singapore.* Ongoing.

Lee, Jean-Rong. 2021. *The Effects of Social Capital on Young Adults’ Mental Health Outcomes in the Singapore COVID-19 Circuit Breaker Context*. Completed.

Thon, Hui Yi. 2019. *Doing’ Family Across Distance: Transnational Ties and Mental Health among Filipina Domestic Workers*. Completed.

Lim, Russell. 2019. *A Comparative Analysis of The Influence of Culture on University Student’s Motivations to Volunteer*. Completed.

Ping, Joyce. 2018. *The Role of Gender in Help-Seeking Behaviour for Mental Health Issues in Singaporean University Students.* Completed.

Lim, Nicholas. 2018. D*o family and friends help or hinder? A study on social capital and depression amongst university students in Singapore.* Completed.

**M.A. Students Advised**

Suprat, Nursarah Binte. *Obesity, Gender and Bariatric Surgery in Singapore. 2022-*Ongoing.

**Ph.D. Candidates Advised**

Liu, Jinhan, Department of Sociology, NUS. *Transition to first marriage and changes in health among Chinese young students: gender, marriage timing, and educational assortative mating.* Thesis Committee Member, 2023

Srivastava, Simpi, School of Social Sciences, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore. Thesis Advisory Committee Member, 2023

Saha, Shrestha. Department of Sociology, NUS*. Social Capital and Health in India*. Thesis Committee Member, 2022

Chen, Xuejiao. Department of Sociology, NUS. *How Income Shapes Preschool Children’s Development in China..* Thesis Committee Member, 2017

**Dissertations Examined**

Saha, Shrestha. 2022. *Social capital and Health in India.*

Gu, Xiaorong. 2017. *Hurdles and Hopes: An Ecological Analysis of Migrant Children in China.*

**SELECTED CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

**Vikram, Kriti,** Abhijit Visaria and Dibyashree Ganguly. “Child Marriage and Chronic Diseases Among Women in India: The Mediating Pathways of Early Motherhood and Reproductive History.” Population Association of America, April 2022 (online).

**Vikram, Kriti** and Hyo Jung Lee**.** “Child Marriage and Physical and Mental Health of Indian Women in Later Life” Population Association of America, April 2022 (online).

**Vikram, Kriti.** “Parental Migration and Nutritional Outcomes of Left- Behind Children in India.” Population Association of America, April 2021 (online presentation).

**Vikram, Kriti.** “Early Marriage and Health of Women in India: Evidence of “Weathering” in Mid-Life” American Sociological Association Annual Meeting’s session "Health and Well-being in the Global Context", August 8, 2020 (online presentation).

**Vikram, Kriti.** “Parental Migration and Academic Outcomes of Left- Behind Children in India.” Population Association of America, Denver, April 2018, RC06-RC41 Conference of the International Sociological Association, Singapore, May 2018, and Asian Population Association Conference, Shanghai, July 2018; South Asian Studies Seminar Program, National University of Singapore, September 2018.

**Vikram, Kriti** andNamrata Chindarkar. “ To Level the Playing Field: Assessing the Impact of Food Supplementation in Early Childhood on Cognitive Achievement Among Children in India.” Population Association of America, Denver, April 2018 and RC06-RC41 Conference of the International Sociological Association, Singapore, May 2018.

**Vikram, Kriti** and Reeve Vanneman. “Maternal Education and the Multidimensionality of Child Health Outcomes.” Center for Family and Population Research, Feburary 2017.

**Vikram, Kriti**. “The Role of Social Capital in Contraceptive Use in India.” Population Association of America, San Francisco, 2012.

Vanneman, Reeve, Sonalde Desai, and **Kriti Vikram**. “Son Preference in India.” Population Association of America, San Francisco, 2012.

**Vikram, Kriti**, Reeve Vanneman, and Sonalde Desai. “Maternal Education and Child Mortality: Exploring the Pathways of Influence”. Population Association of America, Washington DC., 2011.

**Vikram, Kriti**. “The Role of Social and Cultural Capital in Fertility Preference in India: The Importance of Context.” American Sociological Association, Atlanta, 2010.

**RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Research Assistant, India Human Development Survey, University of Maryland (Fall 2013, Fall 2014)

Analyzed data from the second round of survey and prepared data files for dissemination.

Research Assistant, Dr. Feinian Chen, University of Maryland (2011-2012)

Developed two papers evaluating the role of familial resources on cognitive development of children in India. Conducted analyses for a paper evaluating the health implications of marriage separation by migration in China

Research Assistant, India Human Development Survey, University of Maryland (2009-2011)

Member of a research team that reviewed and developed research questions and questionnaires for the second wave of India Human Development Survey

**PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT**

Program Fellow, Tata Institute of Social Sciences, Mumbai, January-May 2008

Programme Officer, Centre for Studies in Ethics and Rights, Mumbai, February-June 2007

Programme Officer, and Research and Monitoring Coordinator, Child in Need Institute, Kolkata, December 2005-December 2006

**Reviewer:** *Asia -Pacific Journal for Public Health, Asian Population Studies, Biodemography and Social Biology,* *BMC Geriatrics,* *BMC Psychiatry, BMC Public Health, Children's Geographies, Demographic Research, Demography, Genus, Health Economics, Health & Place, International Journal of Educational Development, International Migration Review, Journal of Biosocial Science, Journal of Asian Economics, Journal of Health and Social Behavior, Journal of Marriage and Family, Plos One, Social Forces, Social Science Research, Social Science & Medicine, World Development.*

**MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS**

##### Population Association of America

American Sociological Association

Asian Population Association