# Vimal Kumar

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**Date of Birth:** 16.02.1980

Nationality: Indian 5. Sex: Male

### Present Position (Designation, Organisation and Total Emoluments)

Associate Professor, IIT Kanpur, and Pay Scale: 37400-67000-PB-4-AGP9500

#### Areas of Specialisation Current Areas of Research

Game Theory, Political Economics Game Theory, Political Economics, Power System Economics

#### **Professional Record**

Designation	Institution	Year	
Economist	Watson Wyatt Worldwide	June 2008- May 2009	
Assistant Professor	Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur	June 2009- June 2015	
Associate Professor	Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur	June 2015-	

#### **Academic Record**

Degree	Institution	Year	Marks &	Standing	Remarks
(Subjects)			Division		
B. Tech in Mech Engg	IIT Bombay	1998-2003	8.03/10		B.Tech and
M.Tech in Thermal Fluid	IIT Bombay	1998-2003	9.00/10		M. Tech
Engg					under Dual
PhD in Economics	University of	2003-2008	3.6/4.0		Degree
	California Irvine				Program

Teaching Achievements

Letters of Appreciation from the Chairman, Academic Senate of IIT Kanpur for Extra Ordinary Performance as Instructor [ECO 408 (2009-10, Semester 1) and as tutor [ECO 201(2011-12, Semester 1)]

### 2. PhD Thesis Guidance

PhD Students (Completed 0, In-progress 5)

- Ms. Debasmita Panda (Department of Electrical Engineering) [With Prof. S. N. Singh of Department of Electrical Engineering]: 2011-
- 2. Mr. Dhruv Gupta (Economics, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences): 2012-
- 3. Mr. Gopal Parashari (Economics, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences): 2012-
- 4. Mr. Dhiraj Kumar (Economics, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences): 2012-
- Mr. Ashutosh Kumar Dubey (Economics, Department of Humanities and Social Sciences): 2013-

### 3. Master and Bachelor Thesis Guidance

*Master Thesis* (Completed 6, In Progress: 4)

Economics [Master of Science]

- 1. Mr. Aditya Verma (MSc (Integrated)) 2009-10, "Policy Developments in Airport Congestion Management"
- 2. Mr. Shivam Agarwal (MSc (Integrated)) 2009-10, "On Contest Success Functions"
- Ms. Savita Ramprasad (MSc (Integrated)) 2011-12, "Internet Forums as an Enforcement Mechanism" (jointly with Dr. Anirban Mukherjee of Department of Humanities and Social Sciences)
- 4. Mr. Abhilash Maji (MSc (Integrated)) 2012-13, "Study of the Impact of Advertisement Avoidance Technologies."

5. Mr. Vaibhav Patni (MSc (Integrated)) 2014-, "Affirmative Action in Higher Education." Mathematics [Master of Science]

6. Mr. Mayank Lavania (MSc (Integrated)) 2009-2010, "*On Poker as A Game*" (jointly with Dr. Aparna Dar of Department of Mathematics and Statistics)

Civil Engineering [Master of Technology]

 Mr. Keshav Lunani 2013-14, "Willingness to Pay for Improvement in Service Quality of Public Transit System." (Jointly with Dr. Vinod Vasudevan of Department of Humanities and Social Sciences)

### Design Programme [Master of Design]

 Mr. Pulkit Saraswat (Master of Design) 2014- (Jointly with Dr. Satyaki Roy of Department of Humanities and Social Sciences)

- Ms. Manisha Soren (Master of Design) 2014- (Jointly with Dr. Shatarupa T. Roy of Department of Humanities and Social Sciences)
- Ms. Nikita Saraswat (Master of Design) 2014- (Jointly with Dr. Shatarupa T. Roy of Department of Humanities and Social Sciences)

### **Bachelor Projects**

B.S. (Economics)

- 1. Tejaswi Rana: Third Party Intervention in Conflicts (UGP I,II,III)
- 2. Parth Mittal: *Collusion and Competition: cases of taxidrivers and vegetable sellers* (UGP I,II,III)
- 3. Dhruv Goel: Maching in College Admission, (UGP II)
- 4. Sameer Garg: Patent Race and Lobbying (UGP II)
- 5. Suyash Garg: (UGP I)
- 6. Srajal Nayak :Some Experiments in Game Theo(UGP I,II)
- 7. Subham Karnawat: Modeling Electricity Markets of India (UGP II)

# 4.Knowledge Dissemination

### Book

Calculus for Business, Economics, Life Sciences and Social Sciences: authored by R. A. Barnett, M. R. Ziegler & K. E. Byleen and global edition contribution by Vimal Kumar.

# NPTEL Courses

- 1. Microeconomics (Video Lectures) [In-progress: 70% Completed]
- Applied Game Theory [Massive Open Online Courses (MOOC)] From Jan 5, 2015 to Feb 27, 2015, registration: 5000+ [with Prof. Aditya Jagannatham of Electrical Engineering]

# **5.Papers, Proceedings and Book Chapters**

# Papers in Journals

 "Opportunism in Polarization: Presidential Success in U.S. Senate, 1953-2006." [with Matthew Beckmann] (Presidential Studies Quarterly, September 2011 41(3): 488-503)
 [Won the The Founders' Award for Best Paper by a PhD Holding Scholar in American **Political Science Association Annual Conference 2010** in '*President and Executive Politics*' Category]

- "Practicing Presidential Leadership: A Model of Presidents' Positive Power in U.S. Lawmaking." [With Matthew Beckmann] (Lead Article in Journal of Theoretical Politics, January 2011 23: 3-20), Sage Publication.
- 3. "Organized Crime in India" Jagran Journal of Commerce and Economics, 2012-13.
- "Option Electricity Market Design Under UI mechanism in India" [With Debasmita Panda and S. N. Singh], Journal of Emerging Trends in Engineering and Applied Sciences (JETEAS) [Accepted]

### **Book Chapters**

- 5. "On The Economics of Organized Crime." [With Stergios Skaperdas], In Criminal Law and Economics, Edited by Nuno Garoupa. 2009, Edward Elgar Publication.
- "Game theory and Networks" [With Aditya Jagannatham] in Decision Analysis: Concepts, Techniques and Applications, Edited by by Raghu Nandan Sengupta, Aparna Gupta, and Joydeep Dutta, CRC Publication [Forthcoming]

# Papers in Journal Proceedings

- "Production, Appropriation and the Dynamic Emergence of Property Rights" Annual Conference of International Society for New Institutional Economics, Stirling University, 2010
- 8. *"Risk Constraint Profit maximization in Multi Electricity market"*, Proceeding of IEEE Power and Energy Society General Meeting, Washington DC, USA, 2014. [with Debasmita Panda and S. N. Singh]
- "Risk Constrained Profit Maximization under UI Mechanism in India", Proceeding of National Power System Conference, IEEE, Guwahati, INDIA, 2014, [with Debasmita Panda and S. N. Singh]

# 6. Funding and Consultancy

- Housing and Urban Development Corporation Limited (HUDCO) Sponsored Project on *"Economic Analysis of Urban Housing Markets and Policies"*. (2012-2014) [15 lakhss: 5 Laks per year for Three years) [Co-Principal Investigator] (As a Part of a Larger Project Sponsored by HUDCO with Sponsorship Worth Rs. 60 Lakhs spread over 3 years, Principal Investigator: Prof. Sudhir Misra of Department of Civil Engineering]
- IIT Kanpur Sponserd Project on Decisions Made under Uncertainties and Limited Information by IIT Kanpur Undergraduate Students. (2012-) [12 lakhs] [Principal Investigator] (With Dr. Tanika Chakraborty of Humanities and Social Scieces as Co-Principal Investigator]
- UGC Sponsored Project on Creating An International Program For Sustainable Infrastructure Development Under Obama-Singh 21St Century Knowledge Initiative (OSI) Grant (2012-)[1.23 Crore] [Co-Principal Investigator][Principal Investigator: Prof. Sudhir Misra of Department of Civil Engineering]
- An alumni Sponsored Project on Understanding Jugaad a Multidisciplinary Approach (2013-)[12Lakhs][Co-Principal Investigator][Principal Investigator: Prof. Munmun Jha of Department of Humanities and Social Sciences]

### 7.Peer Recognitions

- 1. Young Faculty Research Fellowship: P.K. Kelkar (Class of 1982 Batch) Fellowship from June 1, 2013 to May 31, 2016
- Founders Award (2011) for the Best Paper at the 2010 American Political Science Association's Annual Conference [Shared with Co-author Dr. Matt Beckmann of University of California Irvine]
- 3. National Selector (India) for Cargill Global Young Scholar, Year 2013-14.

# 8. Contributions to the Institute

### Institute

1. Associate Dean (Student Activities) [2014-]

- 2. Chairman, Student Placement Committee [2012-2014]
- 3. Warden, Hall 3: [2010-13]
- 4. Member, Computer Center Co-ordination Committee (2010-2014)
- 5. MBA Programme Review Committee (2013)
- 6. Member, CoW Committee (2010-11, 2012-13)
- 7. Member, Student Placement Committee [2010-11]
- 8. Member, Antaragini Steering Committee [2011, 2012]

#### Department

- 1. Lab-in-charge, MSc Economics Lab (2010-11)
- 2. Convener, Computer Committee (2010-11)
- 3. Convener, Computer and Web Committee (2013-14)
- 4. Convener, Faculty Meetings (2014-2015)

#### 9. Contributions outside the Institute

Conferences and Workshops: Organization

- A Conference on "Climate Change: Science and Society" in association with Liberty Institute, New Delhi on March 30-31, 2012 at IIT Kanpur. [Jointly with Prof. Munmun Jha of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Kanpur]
- A Quality Improvement Programme (QIP)/Short Term Course (STC) on "Power Market: Economics and Management" for QIP and Sponsored Participants from October
   29 – November 2, 2012 at IIT Kanpur [Jointly with Prof. S.N. Singh of Electrical Engineering, IIT Kanpur]
- A Quality Improvement Programme (QIP)/Short Term Course (STC) on "Power System Economics" for QIP and Sponsored Participants from July 26 – July 30, 2013 at IIT Kanpur [Jointly with Prof. S.N. Singh of Electrical Engineering, IIT Kanpur]
- 4. A **Symposium** on "*Decision Making by College Students*" on September 18, 2013 [Jointly with Dr. Tanika Chakraborty of Humanities and Social Sciences, IIT Kanpur]

- A Quality Improvement Programme (QIP)/Short Term Course (STC) on "Power Markets and Economics" for Power System Operation Corporation (POSOCO) officials and Sponsored Candidates from May 15 – May 18, 2014 at IIT Kanpur [Jointly with Prof. S. N. Singh of Electrical Engineering, IIT Kanpur]
- A Quality Improvement Programme (QIP)/Short Term Course (STC) on "Applied Game Theory" for QIP and Sponsored Participants from June 20 – June 24, 2014 at IIT Kanpur [Jointly with Prof. Aditya Jagannatham of Electrical Engineering, IIT Kanpur]
- A Short Term Course (STC) on "Power System Economics" sponsored by Power System Operation Corporation (POSOCO) for Officials working in Power Sector from September 16– September 20, 2014 at National Power Training Institute, Faridabad [Jointly with Prof. S. N. Singh of Electrical Engineering, IIT Kanpur]

#### Workshop Participation

- 1. Design Factory Week (2012) at Aalto University, Espoo, Finland
- Workshop on "New Techniques in Applied Economic Research" on December 15-17, 2008, organized by The Institute of Economic Growth, University of Delhi Enclave

#### Invited Lectures and Seminars

- 1. "The Role of Economics in Design", Gurukool organized at IIT Kanpur by USID Foundation on Aug28, 2010.
- 2. *"Ethics, Economics and Engineering: Role of Three "E's" in Nation Building",* Institute of Engineers, Kanpur Local Chapter, 18th August, 2012
- "Organized Crime in India: An Economic Analysis", Jagran College of Arts, Science & Commerce, 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2012
- "Application of Game Theory in Evolutionary Biology", Center of Behavioral and Cognitive Sciences, University of Allahabad, September 5-6, 2014.