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## Education

- May 2024 **Harvard Law School**, *J.D. (in progress)*  
Sept. 2021 **Princeton University**, *M.A. Computer Science*  
May 2020 **University of Texas at Austin**, *B.S. Computer Science & B.S. Mathematics (Turing Scholar)*

## Work Experience

- Summer 2022 **Legal Aid Society of NY Prisoner's Rights Project**, *Legal Intern*, New York City, NY  
• Impact litigation addressing conditions of confinement in New York City jails and State prisons
- Summer 2021 **New Mexico Public Defender's Office (Felony Division)**, *Legal Intern*, Albuquerque, NM  
• Worked under 11 attorneys for 19 clients on research/writing, direct client work, trial prep, and doc review  
• Researched and drafted motion to suppress, memo on Miranda waiver validity while intoxicated, and memo on double jeopardy challenge to firearm enhancement; cite checked, proofread, and edited other pieces  
• Discussed cases with clients over video, in person at the office and at the jail; visited murder scene  
• Assisted heavily in preparation for jury trial of one client accused of murder (found not guilty on all counts)  
• Reviewed police lapel videos, client criminal histories, evidence, discovery, depositions, and other docs
- 2020 - 2021 **Center for Information Technology Policy (CITP)**, *Research Assistant*, Princeton, NJ  
• Quantitatively measured spread of viral far-right extremist content across multiple online platforms
- Summer 2019 **UT Program Analysis Research Group (UToPiA)**, *Research Assistant*, Austin, TX  
• Researched programming automation and published in two top-tier conferences (listed below)
- Summer 2018 **Amazon**, *Software Engineering Intern*, Tokyo, Japan  
• Leveraged edge-detection algorithm to track real-time, location-based purchase trends in order data
- Summer 2014, 2015 **MITRE Corporation**, *Research Assistant*, McLean, VA  
• Worked on software for FAA tool that prevents plane crashes by monitoring air-traffic controller instructions

## Publications

- Jan. 2021 **Defund the Police After the Jan. 6th Coup Attempt**, [Rushi Shah](#), *The Daily Princetonian*
- March 2020 **TX Felon Disenfranchisement Enables Institutional Racism**, [Rushi Shah](#), *The Daily Texan*
- Sept. 2020 **Data Migration using Datalog Program Synthesis**, Yuepeng Wang, [Rushi Shah](#), Abby Criswell, Rong Pan, Isil Dillig, *Proceedings on Very Large DataBases (VLDB '20)*
- June 2019 **Synthesizing Database Programs for Schema Refactoring**, Yuepeng Wang, James Dong, [Rushi Shah](#), Isil Dillig, *Programming Languages Design & Implementation (PLDI '19)*

## Organizations

- Ongoing **Harvard Defenders**, *Representing low-income clients in criminal show-cause hearings*
- Ongoing **Harvard South Asian Law Students Association (SALSA)**
- Spring 2020 **Harvard Journal of Law and Gender**, *Subcite participant*
- 2020-2021 **Princeton Students for Prison Education, Abolition, and Reform (SPEAR)**

## Selected Coursework

- Jan. 2022 **Intro to Trial Advocacy**, *Harvard Law School*, Profs. Newman, Blitzman, & Sonenberg
- Fall 2021 **Advocacy in Immigration Reading Group**, *Harvard Law School*, Profs. Ardalan & Torrey
- Spring 2021 **Policing, Militarization, and Policy**, *Princeton School of Public & Int'l Affairs*, Prof. Ralph