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Suchir Kalra

EDUCATION

French B2 Level
ALLIANCE FRANÇAISE DE DELHI: 2024

BA. (Hons.) Economics with Postgraduate Diploma in CS & Entrepreneurial Leadership & Strategy (Ashoka Scholar's Programme)
ASHOKA UNIVERSITY: 2023

Cambridge IGCSE & A Levels in Sciences, Economics, First Language English, Literature & ICT
DPS INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL : 2018

VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

Swechha NGO   British Council
CKS Foundation   Saksham Foundation

LANGUAGES

English   French (Level B1)
Hindi   German (Level A1)

HOBBIES

Volunteer Actor
Ruchika Theatre Group since March 2024 / Cast Member of Maxim Gorky's The Lower Depths directed by Feisal Alkazi

Scriptwriting
Wrote the script, acted and put together a Woody Allen Adaptation of Small Time Crooks. Performed at LTG Auditorium New Delhi in April 2023

REFERENCES

Prof. Debayan Gupta
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EXPERIENCE

Independent Research — June 2025– Present
Conducting in-depth research on the education sector, including on-ground studies and fieldwork with organisations such as Teach For India and the Krishnamurti Foundation India.

Teaching Fellow, Quantitive Research Methods Course, Ashoka University — Aug 2024– May 2025
Teaching Fellow to Prof. Anustubh Agnihotri (PhD, UC Berkeley) for 1000-level and 2000-level Quantitative research courses; taught R Programming to Political Science students and led weekly discussions to deepen understanding and engagement.

Assistant Manager, Office of Financial Aid – Ashoka University — May 2023– Mar 2024
Guided students and families through the financial aid process, evaluated applications, managed applicant grievances, and improved efficiency and turnaround time by streamlining processes with new platforms.

Teaching Assistant, & Development – Ashoka University — Aug 2022– Mar 2023
Teaching Assistant to Prof. Abhijnan Chakraborty (IIT, Delhi) for a 2000 Level CS course on "Fairness and Ethics of AI". Discussed and assisted students in their research. Also, created reports for the university's 150+ donors as a Development Intern.

Studio Booth Intern – The Gujral Foundation — Feb 2023– Feb 2023
Managing guest relations, studio booth, and in-person outreach of the Gujral Foundation during India's biggest Art Fair.

Research Assistant to Prof. Burgers (PhD, CUNY) — May 2022– Aug 2022
Scraping data from pre and post partition literature into a database along with mapping and data visualisations.

Research Intern – The Takshashila Institution — May 2021– Jun 2021
Collated a harms list for a Digital Platform Governance Project. Published a Rapid Research on the Economic Implications of the WhatsApp Lawsuit on the Indian Government.

PROJECTS

Design Thinking with University of Toronto – Sustainable Development — Mar 2022– Mar 2022
Designed and Tested prototypes/models for tackling climate change.

Captchas: Developing an Accessible and Secure version of Captcha – Computer Science — Sep 2021– Apr 2022
A Blind-friendly, Accessible, Secure, and GDPR Compliant version of Captcha is presented in the form of a case study.

Inequality in India – Economics — Dec 2022 — Dec 2022
Cross-linked Research paper on Piketty's views of Inequality and Boo's 'Behind the Beautiful forevers', under Prof. Arvind Subramanian's guidance.

E-Charging Infrastructure setup at Ashoka University – Entrepreneurship | Sustainable Development — Jun 2020 — Jan 2022
Spearheaded the project with the Pro-VC and Founders, EV Chargers were set up at the university.

Research Thesis on AI Art and Design Perceptions – Artificial Intelligence — May 2020 — Aug 2020
Conducted various surveys on AI Art and user perception. Interviewed several AI Arts and market leaders from around the world. A 96-page research booklet on the technical, philosophical, economic, and sociological side of AI-ART (Under the guidance of Prof. Debayan Gupta)

SKILLS

Python   R   Research
Stata   Excel   Teaching