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Employment	Brown University Postdoctoral Research Fellow	2024 -
Education	Cornell University Ph.D. Applied Economics and Management M.Sc. Applied Economics and Management	Ithaca, USA 2024 2022
	Tata Institute of Social Sciences M.A. Development Studies Thesis - Government Regulations in the Intermediate Public Transport sector: Study of a Metropolitan City	Mumbai, India 2016
	University of Delhi B.A. Economics	New Delhi, India 2014
Fields:	<i>Areas:</i> Applied Microeconomics (Labor, Gender, Weather shocks, Development); Political economy <i>Methods:</i> Experiments, Quasi-experimental	
Publication	Raghunathan, K., Kumar, N., Gupta, S., Chauhan, T. , Kohli, A. and Menon, P. (2023). “ Learning together: Experimental evidence on the impact of group-based nutrition interventions in rural Bihar ”. <i>World Development</i> , 168: 106267. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.worlddev.2023.106267	
Working papers	Castilla, C., Murphy, D. and Chauhan, T. 2025. “Women’s Agency and Intra-Household Efficiency”. <i>Under review</i> . Chauhan, T. 2025. “Accounting for Empowerment? Examining Women’s Financial Inclusion in India”. Chauhan, T. , Kramer, B., Ward, P., Pattnaik, S. and Xu, Y. 2025. “Agricultural credit and Women’s Bargaining Power: Experimental evidence from India”. Chauhan, T. 2024. “Political incentives and flood recovery in India”. Chauhan, T. 2024. “Extreme Temperature and Intimate Partner Violence (IPV): Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa”.	
Work in progress	“Worker sorting and retention in Indian manufacturing” with Natasha Jha.	
Teaching experience	Instructor (Brown University) ECON 1330: Gender and Development	Spring 2025

	Co-instructor and Teaching Assistant (Cornell University)	Summer 2024, 2023 & 2020; Fall 2021 & 2020
	AEM 2350: Introduction to the Economics of Development	
	Course Assistant (Cornell University)	Spring 2024
	AEM 6480: Food and Consumer Packaged Goods Industry Dynamics	
	Visiting lecturer (Colgate University)	Fall 2023
	ECON 443: Seminar in Policy Evaluation	
	Guest Lecturer and Teaching Assistant (Cornell University)	Fall 2023
	AEM 2600: Managerial Economics	
	Teaching assistant (Cornell University)	Spring 2023, Fall 2019
	AEM 4140: Behavioural Economics and Managerial Decisions	
Relevant research experience	Research Assistant for Carolina Castilla, Colgate University	2021-22
	Visiting Research Fellow, Centre for Monitoring Indian Economy (CMIE)	2021
	Research Assistant for Christopher B. Barrett and Katie Fiorella, Cornell University	2020
	Graduate Research Assistant for Brian M. Dillon, Cornell University	2020
	Research Assistant for Vrinda Kadiyali, Cornell University	2019
Past Employment	Senior Research Analyst 1, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI)	2016-18
	Consultant, Population Council	Summer 2016
	Research Assistant, Centre for Policy Research	Winter 2014
	Research Assistant, (Former) Planning Commission of India	Summer 2013
	Research Assistant, The Energy and Resources Institute (TERI)	Winter 2011
Awards and Fellowships	BIG Lab Mezzanine Grant (University of Notre Dame), USD 14, 560	2025
	Amit Bhatia'01 Global PhD Research Scholar: Grant for International Field Research (Cornell University), USD 10,000	2022-23
	Cornell University Fellowship	Fall 2022
	GRA Fellowship (Cornell University)	2018, 2023
	Adlerbert Graduate Assistantship	Summer 2021, 2022
Invited talks	‘Accounting for Empowerment? Examining Women’s Financial Inclusion in India’	
	Lee Kuan Yew School of Public Policy, National University of Singapore	2025
	Kania School of Management, University of Scranton	2024
	Colgate-Hamilton Economics Seminar, Colgate University	2023
	Economics Department Research Seminar, Lafayette College	2023

Conference Presentations

2024	North East Universities Development Consortium (Northeastern University); 19th Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development (Indian Statistical Institute Delhi); Third Biennial Conference on Development (Indira Gandhi Institute of Development Research); Eastern Economic Association Annual Conference
2023	European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society (University of Manchester); Researcher Gathering hosted by Innovations for Poverty Action and Global Poverty Research Lab (Northwestern University); Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting Washington D.C.
2022	100 Years of Economic Development (Cornell University); International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) International Conference Rome; AAEA Annual Meeting Anaheim; CSAE Conference on Economic Development in Africa; Pacific Conference for Development Economics (University of San Francisco)
2021	European Economic Association - Econometric Society European Meeting; Western Agricultural Economics Association Joint Annual Meeting; International Conference in Development Economics (University of Bordeaux)

Academic Service

Refereeing

Journal of Development Economics; Journal of Population Economics; Review of Economics of the Household; Eastern Economic Journal; Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics; Economics of Education Review; Review of Social Economy

Mentoring

Research Assistants, Brown University

Megan Ball, Ananya Narayanan 2025

Yaxuan Shi (Altman Solon, Boston) 2024

Structural Transformation of African and Asian Agriculture and Rural Spaces (STAARS+) Fellows Program 2022-23

Peer mentor for Post Doctoral Research Fellows at the Nigerian Institute of Social and Economic Research

Faculty adviser: David Stifel, Lafayette College

Peer Mentor for Undergraduate students, University of Delhi 2022

Mentored research study improving women's menstrual hygiene in India

Faculty adviser: Christopher B. Barrett, Cornell University

Reading Group for undergraduate students in India Spring 2023

Organized discussions on papers covering finance, industrial organization, health, gender and development topics

Seminars promoting Diversity, Equity and Inclusion

Panelist, "Application and experience of post-graduation in the US": Attended by over 200 students from University of Delhi February 2023

Organizer, "Seminar culture in Economics": Panel discussion of female faculty and graduate students in Economics at Cornell University September 2021

Selected Workshops	GLO Virtual Young Scholars Program (GLO VirtYS)	2023-24
	<i>Mentor:</i> José Alberto Molina, University of Zaragoza	
	Association for Mentoring and Inclusion in Economics (AMIE)	2023-24
	<i>Mentors:</i> Upasak Das, University of Manchester and Lelys Dinarte Diaz, The World Bank	
	Everyday Adaptations to Climate Change Workshop, Sustainability and Development Initiative (University of Michigan)	2021
	<i>Mentor:</i> Arun Agrawal, University of Michigan	
	Successfully Navigating Your Economics PhD (CSWEP American Economic Association)	2020
Skills	<i>Mentors:</i> Victoria Baranov, University of Melbourne and Sarojini Hirshleifer, University of California Riverside	
	Women in Economics (Boston University)	2020
	<i>Mentor:</i> Pinar Keskin, Wellesley College	
Other	Software	
	Python, STATA, MATLAB, R, QGIS, Google Earth Engine, Julia, SurveyCTO, ODK, CPro.	
	Training Certifications	
References:	Survey Design and Experimental Methods in Applied and Agricultural Economics (Arizona State University)	2021, 2020
	<i>Languages:</i> English (fluent), Hindi (native), French (beginner) <i>Citizenship:</i> Indian	
References:	Christopher B. Barrett, Cornell University	cbb2@cornell.edu
	Brian M. Dillon, Cornell University	bmd28@cornell.edu