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APPOINTMENTS

University of Toronto (UofT Scarborough & Rotman School of Management) Assistant Professor of Economic Analysis & Policy	2021-present
University of Toronto Faculty Fellow, Feldman Centre for Real Estate and Urban Economics Affiliated Scholar, People's History Lab	2021-present 2024-present

PAST APPOINTMENTS

School of Cities, University of Toronto Faculty Advisor	2022-2024
Federal Reserve Bank of Boston Postdoctoral Scholar	2020-2021
Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis Research Analyst	2016-2017
SHORT-TERM VISITS: Becker Friedman Institute, University of Chicago	September, 2023

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Urban Economics, Industrial Organization, Economic History

EDUCATION

Ph.D., University of Minnesota, Economics	2020
M.A., University of Minnesota, Economics	2016
B.A., Colorado College, Economics & Mathematics	2014

RESEARCH PAPERS

1. Under the (neighbor)Hood: Understanding Interactions Among Zoning Regulations, with Amrita Kulkarni and Nick Chiumenti, *conditionally accepted at Review of Economics and Statistics*
2. The Long Shadow of Housing Discrimination: Evidence from Racial Covenants, with Kevin Ehrman-Solberg, *revise and resubmit at Review of Economic Studies*
3. Match Effects and the Gains from Alternative Job Assignments: Evidence from a Teacher Labor Market, with Mariana Laverde, Elton Mykerezi, and Aaron Sojourner, *under review*
4. Land Market Frictions in Developing Countries: Evidence from Manufacturing Firms in India
5. Segregation by Choice? Separating Preferences from Restrictions in Housing Markets, with Milena Almagro

POLICY BRIEFS & PUBLICATIONS

1. Sood, Aradhya, and Nicholas Chiumenti. "Local Zoning Laws and the Supply of Multifamily Housing in Greater Boston." *Federal Reserve Bank of Boston Research Reports*, vol. 22, no. 1, Oct. 2022.
2. Sood, Aradhya. "Land Market Frictions in India." *India in Transition Series*, Center for the Advanced Study of India, University of Pennsylvania, September 12, 2022.

RESEARCH GRANTS (grant amount listed if over CA\$10,000)

SSHRC Insight Development Grant (CA\$ 67,553)	2025-2027
Urban Challenges Grant, School of Cities, University of Toronto (CA\$ 49,588)	2025-2027
SSHRC Institutional Grant	2025
Centre for the Study of the U.S. Research Grant, University of Toronto	2024
Arthur H. Cole Grant, Economic History Association	2024
Data Science Institute Grant, University of Toronto	2023-2024
Russell Sage Foundation & Gates Foundation Pipeline Grant (US\$ 26,000)	2021-2023
School of Cities Grant, University of Toronto (CA\$ 18,000)	2021-2023

FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Plumtre Faculty Research Fellowship, University of Toronto	2024-2025
Best Student Paper (Honorable Mention), Urban Economics Association	2019
Sandor Fellowship, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota	2019
Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, University of Minnesota	2018-2019
Graduate Research Program Partnership Fellowship, University of Minnesota	2018
Distinguished Instructor, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota	2017
Bruce and Mildred Mudgett Fellowship, University of Minnesota	2014-2015
Curran Award for Most Outstanding Senior in Economics, Colorado College	2014
First Place Winner at International Mathematical Contest in Modeling	2013
Leadership Scholarship, Colorado College	2010-2014
Davis United World College Scholarship, Shelby Davis Foundation	2010-2014
Mahindra United World College Scholarship	2008-2010

INVITED PRESENTATIONS & CONFERENCES (*scheduled)

NBER Summer Institute (Urban), NYU IO Day, The Plumtre Lecture (University of Toronto), American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association Virtual Seminar, University of Quebec in Montreal (UQAM), Online Spatial & Urban Seminar, NBER Industrial Organization of Housing Markets Conference (Stanford)	2025-2026
Junior Spatial Economics Conference (Sciences Po), Dartmouth College, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis OIGI Fall Research Conference, Urban Economics Association Fall Conference, University of Toronto (Rotman)/UBC/UQAM Summer Real Estate Conference	2024-2025
NBER Summer Institute (Real Estate & Urban), Women in Empirical Micro Conference (Becker Friedman Institute UChicago), Federal Housing Finance Agency, National American Real Estate and Urban Economic Association Conference, University of Alabama, Southern Methodist University, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland & UChicago Stone Center for Inequality Workshop, Northwestern University	2023-2024
NBER Summer Institute (IO & Urban), University of Southern California, American Economics Association Meetings, University of British Columbia, University of Pittsburgh, George Washington University, UC San Diego Program on Indian Economy Seminar, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, Southern Economic Association Meetings, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, Urban Economic Association Meetings	2022-2023

NBER Summer Institute (DAE & Real Estate), William & Mary, The Wharton School of University of Pennsylvania, Econometric Society (Europe Meetings, Summer), Southern Economic Association Meetings, Urban Economic Association Meetings, ASSA American Real Estate and Urban Economic Association Conference

2021-2022

Econometric Society (Summer North America Meetings), University of Toronto (Rotman)/UBC/UQAM Summer Real Estate Conference, International Industrial Organization Conference, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Urban Economic Association Meetings (Europe), Tufts University, University of California Berkeley (Econ History Seminar), Boston University, Pacific Conference for Development Economics, Northeast Labor Symposium (Princeton), Winter School (Delhi School of Economics & Econometric Society), University of California Berkeley Haas School of Business, Southern Economic Association Meetings, Harvard Cities and Development Workshop, Urban Economic Association Meetings, Penn State University, Online Spatial & Urban Seminar, Virtual Economic History Seminar

2020-2021

Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, University of Toronto, University of Wisconsin Madison (Economics and Real Estate), Southern Methodist University, Ohio State University, University of Utah Eccles School of Business, Urban Economic Association Meetings, APPAM Conference, Opportunity & Inclusive Growth Institute (Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis), University of Minnesota, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta Fed & Georgia State Real Estate Conference, World Bank Land Conference (canceled COVID19)

2019-2020

Colorado College, Midwest Economics Association Meetings (twice), Western Economics Association Meetings

2017-2019

DISCUSSIONS (*scheduled)

Online Spatial & Urban Seminar	2025
AMIE Workshop in Applied Microeconomics	2025
UC San Diego Program on Indian Economy Seminar	2025
Urban Economics Association Meetings	2024
Conference on Sustainable and Affordable Housing, UWisconsin Madison	2023
Urban Economics Association Meetings	2022
Online Spatial & Urban Seminar	2022
Northeast Labor Symposium for Early Career Economists (NLS-E)	2021
Urban Economics Association Meetings	2021
International Industrial Organization Conference	2021
National American Real Estate and Urban Economic Association Meetings	2021

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

REFEREE SERVICE:

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Review, Cityscape, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Urban Economics, Land Economics, Management Science, Real Estate Economics, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Financial Studies, and Quarterly Journal of Economics.

RESEARCH GRANT REVIEWER:

Data Science Institute at University of Toronto, Russell Sage Foundation

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM COMMITTEES FOR CONFERENCES:

Urban Economic Association Conference Scientific Committee Member (2023, 2024, 2025)

American Real Estate & Urban Economic Association Conference Scientific Committee Member (2023)

SEMINAR, CONFERENCE, & SESSIONS ORGANIZER AND CHAIR:

Urban and Real Estate Seminar Series Co-organizer, University of Toronto (2022-present)

Becker Friedman Institute (University of Chicago) IO Plus session chair "Spatial IO Session" (2023)

American Economic Association-ASSA session "Causes and Consequences of Racial Segregation" (2022)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE:

Teaching observation committee, UTSC, University of Toronto (2023-2026)

Awards committee, UTSC, University of Toronto (2024-2025)

Faculty recruiting committee, Rotman, University of Toronto (2022-2023)

TEACHING

Department of Management, University of Toronto

Undergraduate Industrial Organization

Undergraduate Urban and Real Estate Economics

Department of Economics, University of Minnesota

Instructor & Large Lecture Instructor for Principles of Microeconomics (1st year)

PRESS COVERAGE, PANEL EVENTS, & PODCAST INTERVIEWS

Wall Street Journal, The Bloomberg News, Forbes Magazine, PBS, The Philadelphia Inquirer, Scroll.in, Amar Ujala (in Hindi), University of Warwick Expert Comment, Minnesota Public Radio, Inequali Talks Podcast (host: Clementine Van Effenterre), Science vs. Podcast, The George Washington University Regulation Direct, Brookings Institute Hutchins Roundup, Chicago Booth Review, Understanding Inequality (host: University of Minnesota Heller-Hurwicz Economics Institute), Downtown Recovery (host: University of Toronto Rotman School), Real Estate Roundtable (host: Post City & University of Toronto), Mapping Prejudice (host: University of Toronto School of Cities)

PERSONAL

Citizenship: India (U.S. Permanent Resident)

Languages: English (fluent), Hindi (native)