

# Canishk Naik

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## EMPLOYMENT

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### **Stockholm University IIES**

Assistant Professor Starting 2026

### **UC Berkeley**, O'Donnell Center for Behavioral Economics

Postdoctoral Scholar 2025 - 2026

## EDUCATION

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### **LSE**

PhD Economics 2021 - 2025

Advisors: Nava Ashraf, Daniel Reck, Johannes Spinnewijn

MRes Economics, *with Distinction* 2019 - 2021

MSc Applicable Mathematics, *with Distinction* 2017 - 2018

### **University of Cambridge**

BA Mathematics 2014 - 2017

## WORKING PAPERS

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[Mental Health and the Targeting of Social Assistance](#) 2026

[Intrapersonal Utility Comparisons as Interpersonal Utility Comparisons](#) 2025  
with Daniel Reck

[A Welfare Analysis of Public Housing Allocation Mechanisms](#) 2022  
with Neil Thakral

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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[The Socio-Economic Determinants of Mental Health](#)

with Will Parker and Johannes Spinnewijn

[Rebuilding Lives, not just Homes: Addressing Trauma in Disaster Recovery](#)

with Amen Jalal and Pol Simpson

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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### **Presentations** (including scheduled)

UC Davis, UC Berkeley, NBER Trans-Atlantic Public Economics Symposium 2026

Stockholm University IIES, Institute for Fiscal Studies, Northwestern University, UC Davis, LMU Munich, UC Berkeley, Berlin Applied Micro Seminar, Cornell University, REStud North America Tour (University of Calgary, University of Notre Dame, Duke University), UBC 2025

Dutch Bureau for Economic Policy Analysis (CPB), LSE CEP Wellbeing Seminar, IFS-CAGE Workshop on the Economics of Mental Health, IIPF Annual Congress, UniDistance, NTA Annual Congress 2024

### **Experience**

STICERD Visiting Fellow, LSE 2025 - 2026

Participant, briq Summer School in Behavioral Economics 2023

Research Assistant to Daniel Reck, LSE Summer 2020

Economist, [The Behaviouralist](#) 2019 - 2021

## Refereeing

*American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Review, Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics*

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

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### Awards

REStud North America Tour	2025
LSE Class Teacher Award ( <i>Highly Commended in 2024</i> )	2023, 2024
Excellence in Education Award, LSE School of Public Policy	2022, 2023, 2024
Haya Freedman Prize for Best MSc Dissertation, LSE	2018
Top Overall Performance MSc Applicable Mathematics, LSE	2018

### Grants

LSE-H.E.R. £5,000	2025
For: <a href="#">Rebuilding Lives, not just Homes: Addressing Trauma in Disaster Recovery</a>	
STICERD Grant. £9,677.29	2022
For: <a href="#">Mental Health and the Targeting of Social Assistance</a>	
Race Equity Innovation Fund. £2,000	2022
For: Review of the Economics Curriculum, together with <a href="#">LSE DICE</a>	
ESRC Doctoral Studentship	2019 - 2024

## TEACHING AND OUTREACH

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### Teaching

LSE School of Public Policy (Graduate): <i>Public Economics for Public Policy</i>	2022 - 2024
LSE Economics Dept (Graduate): <i>Intro Probability and Statistics (math camp)</i>	2022 - 2024
LSE Economics Dept (Undergraduate): <i>First-year Micro- and Macroeconomics</i>	2021 - 2023

### Outreach

Volunteer Data Scientist, <a href="#">Body &amp; Soul Charity</a>	Ongoing
Organiser, LSE Public Economics Work in Progress Seminar	2022 - 2023
Applicant mentor, <a href="#">LSE Economics PhD AMP</a>	2020 - 2025
Founding member, <a href="#">LSE DICE</a>	2020 - 2025