

# CHANDNI RAJA

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## EDUCATION

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Ph.D in Economics, <i>University of California, Los Angeles</i>	2019 - present (expected June 2025)
<u>Advisors:</u> John Asker, Martin Hackmann	
M.A. in Economics, <i>University of California, Los Angeles</i>	2021
M. P. A. in Public and Economic Policy, <i>London School of Economics</i>	2014
B. A., <i>University of Southern California</i>	2012

## RESEARCH FIELDS

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Industrial Organization, Applied Microeconomics

## WORKING PAPERS

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Raja, Chandni, (2023), How Do Hospitals Respond to Input Regulation? Evidence from the California Nurse Staffing Mandate. *Revise & Resubmit, Journal of Health Economics*

## AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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• UCLA Graduate Division Graduate Research Mentorship Program	2022 - 2023
• UCLA Graduate Division Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Program	2022
• UCLA Department of Economics Lewis L. Clarke Graduate Fellowship	2021
• UCLA Graduate Division Graduate Dean's Scholar Award	2019 - 2021
• UCLA Department of Economics Top TA Award, Pandemic Teaching Award	2020 - 2021
• UCLA Department of Economics Fellowship	2019 - 2020
• InterMedia and Gates Foundation Data Challenge Grand Prize	2014
• USC Presidential Merit Scholarship	2008 - 2012
• USC Summer Undergraduate Research Fund, University Research Associates Program	2010

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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- Graduate Research Assistant for Prof. Wesley Yin 2022 - present
- Graduate Research Assistant for Prof. Till von Wachter 2021 - 2022
- Consultant for Poverty and Equity Global Practice, Nigeria, *World Bank* 2020 - 2021
- Consultant for Jobs and Skills Global Practice, Liberia, *World Bank* 2019
- Consultant for Africa Gender Innovation Lab, Nigeria and Ethiopia, *World Bank* 2018 - 2019
- Senior Analyst, Antitrust and Competition, *Compass Lexecon* 2016 - 2018
- Analyst, Antitrust and Competition, *Compass Lexecon* 2014 - 2016

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- Teaching Assistant for Intermediate Microeconomic Theory (ECON 101) Fall 2020  
\* Department of Economics – Pandemic Teaching Award (Fall 2020)
- Teaching Assistant for Organization of Firms (ECON 106I) Winter 2021  
\* Department of Economics – Top TA Award (2020 - 2021)

## POLICY PUBLICATIONS

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1. Buehren, Niklas, ... Raja, Chandni, ... (2019), Ethiopia Gender Diagnostic Report: Priorities for Promoting Equity, World Bank.
2. Raja, Chandni, Crowther, Naomi, Spencer, Ella (2017), Data-Driven Decision Making in Fragile Contexts: Evidence from Sudan. Eds. Hamilton, A. and Hammer, C. World Bank.
3. Crowther, Naomi, Okamura, Keisuke, Rinnert, David, Raja, Chandni, Spencer, Ella (2014), “Inequalities in Public Services in Sudan: Using a Perceptions-Informed View to Drive Policy in Education, Health, and Water Provision.”. U.K. Department for International Development.
4. Abi-Rafeh, Rossi, Bernstein, Joshua, Raja, Chandni, Spencer, Ella (2014), “Tailored Finance and Organic Growth: A Livelihoods Approach to Financial Inclusion in India.” InterMedia and Gates Foundation Open Data Analysis Challenge Grand Prize.

## SKILLS

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Software: Stata, R, Python, Microsoft Office Suite, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

Languages: English (native), Tamil (fluent), Spanish (basic)