

# Deborah Nakkungu

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A capable, flexible, organized, and competent individual who is seeking a new, challenging career with a positive working environment. I am hardworking, well-organized, and intrinsically motivated, striving to achieve the best in all areas. I am ever eager to learn and adapt new skills and work well both at individual and group levels. I have excellent communication skills. I am now seeking an organization that offers an opportunity to enhance my skills and to advance.

## EDUCATION

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<b>MA in Economics (in progress)</b>	2021—Present
<i>City University of New York Hunter College and African School of Economics</i>	

<b>BA in Economics</b>	2020
<i>Makerere University Uganda, GPA: 4.7/5.0</i>	

## SKILLS

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- **Tools and Languages:** STATA, R, Python, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Markdown
  - **Quantitative Research:** Mathematical optimization, Econometric Modeling, R
  - **Communication:** English (fluent speaker), Swahili (reading and writing), Luganda (reading and writing)
  - **Soft Skills:** Leadership, Writing, Public Speaking, Time Management

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### CUNY Hunter College - Masters Thesis

I am looking at the impact of coal plant exposure on child health in India. To evaluate this relationship, I use the India DHS data file 2019-21 with the dataset on coal plants from the Indian government's Central Electricity Authority (CEA) 2021 to estimate the relationship through a standard fixed effects regression analysis.

### Effect of Land Certification on Migration - ECO 722 Term Project

Using data from Mexico's large-scale land certification program, I studied the effect of land certification on migration using standard logistic analysis.

<b>Research Assistant/ Determinants of Physicians Retention in Florida</b>	Jan 2022 — May
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I assisted Prof. Jessica Van Parys on a labor health project that sought to understand what influences emergency department physicians' career choices and its implication for health disparities. I was particularly involved in organizing and visualizing census tract-level data, which helped refine my data coding skills.

### Impact of Marriage on Women Labor-force Participation in West Virginia - ECO 727 Term Project

I used the American Community Survey Microdata file (ACS PUMS) for West Virginia to study the variations in labor force participation arising from marriage.

<b>Research Assistant / Impact of Infrastructure on Firm Performance - PADRI, Uganda</b>	Dec 2020 — June
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I collected and cleaned data, reviewed literature on firm performance, Completed, edited and submitted all assigned interviews and filed reports on project activities.

<b>Research Assistant/ Research World International - Uganda</b>	Jan 2020
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I attended trainings in research ethics and in-person study training. I was also involved in collecting data in the field through interviews and observation methods, prepared data collection reports and reviewed the literature on a couple of projects like the Uganda Capital Markets Stakeholders Survey and analysis of the beverage industry in Uganda.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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- **"Addressing traffic accidents in Uganda through a behavioural change mechanism":** (With Prof. Andrea Matranga and James Ahabyona)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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- Teaching Assistant: Introductory Micro Economics & Economic Development History (Undergraduate courses) with Professor Mathew Baker
  - Online Tutoring: I conducted free online tutoring to economics students across the country during the COVID19 lockdown, through my youtube channel.

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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| • Academic Scholarship, Princeton University   | June, 2021  |
| • Best Student, Makerere University School of Economics Class of 2021, CGPA 4.70/5.0 | 2020        |
| • Ugandan Government National Merit Scholarship, Makerere University                 | 2017 — 2020 |

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

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- **Club Chairperson/ YouthPlus Uganda** 2016 — 2020  
I started this youth-led Community Based Organisation to promote gender equality; access and demand for Sexual Reproductive health Information; fight teenage pregnancies and youth unemployment by engaging and influencing decision makers.
- **General Secretary/ National Youth Secretariat** 2018 — 2021  
This is an affiliate organisation of Action for Health Uganda that umbrellas all youth-led organizations in Uganda. Not only was I a youth representative for Kampala, I was also responsible for organizing monthly meetings, taking meeting minutes and preparing monthly reports for the work done.
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