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Education

- 2021-2026 **Ph.D. Quantitative Research Methods in Education**
University of Oregon
➤ Specialization in Educational Data Science
- 2022-2025 **M.S. Economics**
University of Oregon
- 2014-2017 **B.S. (H) Mathematics**
St. Stephen's College, University of Delhi

Employment History

- Summer 2022, 2023, 2024 **Research Assistant**
Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Oregon
- Summer 2022, 2023 **Research Assistant**
Department of Education Studies, University of Oregon
- 2021 **Teaching Assistant**
Department of Education Studies, University of Oregon
- 2019-2021 **Teaching Resource Consultant**
OpenLinks Foundation
- 2019-2020 **Teaching Consultant**
LIDO Learning
- 2018-2019 **School Team Lead**
Teach for India, Sunrise English Medium School
- 2017-2019 **School Teacher**
Teach for India, Sunrise English Medium School

Research

- 2024 **DIBELS Spanish Instructions: Randomized Control Trial of Spanish Instructions as an Accommodation & Investigating the effects of literacy tutoring on the reading achievement of struggling readers in grades K-2 during COVID-19 school closure**
Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Oregon - Dr. Gina Biancarosa and Dr. Patrick Kennedy
➤ Conducted regression and power analysis for an RCT research design
➤ Identified and developed the research design
➤ Used several matching-on-observable estimators to identify the causal effect of the program
- 2024 **Compiling and analysis special education expenditures in Oregon and Ohio**
Educonomics Lab, Georgetown University - Maggie Cicco
➤ Identified and compiled administrative data for Oregon and Ohio on student membership, student state achievement, and special education expenditure
- 2023 **Who are the students school frequently suspend?**
Department of Education Studies, University of Oregon - Dr. David Liebowitz
➤ Cleaned and compiled analysis-ready data file using Oregon administrative data
➤ Conducted multi-level regression and variation analysis and summarized results

- 2023 **DIBELS8 Secure form creation & Comparing Reading Growth Trajectories Pre- and Post-COVID-19-related School Closure in a Large Urban District**
Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Oregon - Dr. Gina Biancarosa and Dr. Patrick Kennedy
- Automated form generation and quality-control checks for alternative DIBELS8 subtest form creation using R
 - Conducted multi-level piece-wise growth model analysis by demographic characteristics and grades on reading growth changes for a large-urban district
 - Summarized findings in a report and presentation for district administration
- 2022 **Rethinking principal effects on student outcomes**
Department of Education Studies, University of Oregon - Dr. David Liebowitz
- Cleaned and compiled Oregon administrative data on discipline and high-school graduation and National Student Clearinghouse data on college outcomes for project analysis
- 2022 **Three-year analysis of DIBELS8 Reading Assessment Data**
Center for Teaching and Learning, University of Oregon - Dr. Gina Biancarosa and Dr. Patrick Kennedy
- Summarized, visualized, and created reports on DIBELS8 student outcome scores for internal purposes
 - Conducted a comprehensive literature review on the early evidence of learning growth changes related to COVID-19 pandemic for internal purposes

Teaching

- 2022, 2023 **EDUC 641/643.645: Applied Statistics in Education and Human Services (Discussion Session)**
Sequence of 3 In-Person, Graduate-Level: Main Instructor/TA
- Led lab sessions introducing and reinforcing statistical programming skills in R
 - Developed worksheets for summarizing concepts
 - Supervised a two-to-three GEs
 - Held virtual and in-person office hours for answering students' questions
 - Graded student assignment and provided detailed feedback through a rubric
- 2022 **EDLD 312: Effective Leadership Decision-making**
Synchronous, Undergraduate-Level: TA
- Reviewed course materials
 - Provided feedback on student presentations and assignments
 - Delivered mini-lectures and led class-activities during synchronous sessions
- 2022 **EDLD 313: Program Evaluation for Future Leaders**
In-Person, Undergraduate-Level: TA
- Reviewed course materials
 - Provided feedback on student presentations and assignments
 - Delivered mini-lectures and led class-activities during synchronous sessions
- 2021 **EDLD 411: Examining Leadership Effectiveness through Professional Development**
Asynchronous, Undergraduate-Level: TA
- Reviewed course materials
 - Graded weekly assignments and provided feedback
- 2019-20 **STEM tutoring sessions**
Synchronous, Middle And High School-Level
- Led small-group tutoring sessions following the organizations' learning plans
- 2017-2019 **Mathematics school teacher**
In-Person, Middle And High School-Level
- Designed and delivered lesson plans using 5-step activity-based framework (engage, explain, guided practice, independent practice, closure)
 - Mentored, counseled and tailored support for students from diverse low-income backgrounds and needs
 - Exposed students to new educational and career opportunities

Awards

2024	Innovation Faculty Research Award- Office of the Vice President for Research and Innovation, University of Oregon
	\$10,000
2024	Lorraine Moe Davis Scholarship and the College of Education Scholarship- College of Education
	\$7,000
2024	Certificate in Education Finance- Edunomics Lab, Georgetown University
	\$3,500
2024	Research Transparency and Reproducibility Training (RT2) funding- Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in the Social Sciences (BITSS)
	\$700
2024	Education Methodology, Policy, and Leadership (EMPL) Travel Grant- Department of Education Studies, University of Oregon
	\$500
2024	Outstanding Poster- Graduate Student Research Forum, University of Oregon
	\$300
2024	National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Data Training- Department of Education, USA
2023	Lillyan A Barry Scholarship- University of Oregon
	\$3,600
2023	Education Methodology, Policy, and Leadership (EMPL) Travel Grant- Department of Education Studies, University of Oregon
	\$500
2022	Harvey E Lee Graduate Scholarship- University of Oregon
	\$3,600
2022	College of Education Scholarship- College of Education
	\$3,000
2022	Outstanding Poster- Graduate Student Research Forum, University of Oregon
	\$300
2022	Winner- USAFacts Data Visualization Competition, University of Oregon
2021	Graduate School Promising Scholar Award- Division of Graduate Studies, University of Oregon
	\$6,000
2017	Teach for India Fellowship- Teach for All

Presentations

- Khurana, H., Liebowitz, D.D. (May, 2024). Who are the Students School Frequently Suspend?. Graduate Research Forum, University of Oregon. Eugene, OR
- Khurana, H., Liebowitz, D.D. (March, 2024). Who are the Students School Frequently Suspend?. Association for Education Finance & Policy. Baltimore, MD
- Biancarosa, G., Khurana, H., Kennedy, P. (December, 2023). Comparing Reading Growth Trajectories Pre- and Post-COVID-19-related School Closure in a Large Urban District. District Presentation. Virtual
- Khurana, H., Lee, S. (May, 2023). COVID-19 Related School Closure and Reading Outcomes. Graduate Research Forum, University of Oregon. Eugene, OR
- Klaas, M., Khurana, H. (May, 2022). Diversity, Expenditure, and Achievement in US Public Schools. Graduate Research Forum, University of Oregon. Eugene, OR

Training

06/05-06/07/2024	Research Transparency and Reproducibility Training (RT2) Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in the Social Sciences (BITSS), University of California
	➤ Provides an overview of tools and practices for transparent and reproducible social science research
06/26-06/28/2024	National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) Data Training US Department of Education and American Institute for Research
	➤ Introduce the design features of NAEP and provide guidance and practice in the data analysis strategies required when using NAEP data.

- 08/12-08/12/2024 **Big Data with Arrow in R**
Posit Conference
➤ An introduction to Apache Arrow for creating efficient analysis pipelines with larger-than-memory data in R
- 09/11-12/04/2024 **Certificate in Education Finance**
Edunomics Lab, Georgetown University
➤ An interdisciplinary certification combining finance, economics and leadership with public policy and administration
- Valid upto 07/02/2026 **Human Research - Social-Behavioral-Educational Researchers (ID 5521) - Basic and Refresher Course**
Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI)
➤ Provides foundational training covering the major topical areas in human subjects protections
- Valid upto 05/19/2026 **NSF/NIH Responsible Conduct of Research Training for Researchers (ID 103727)**
Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative (CITI)
➤ Covers core norms, principles, regulations, and rules governing the practice of research

Grants

- Beyond the States: A Comprehensive Approach to Understanding Educational Funding Equity. Role: Principal Investigator (With Elizabeth Dhuey, David Liebowitz)EdFund. (Rejected).
- The Relationship between Special Education Funding Policy and Special Education DecisionProcesses. Wayne Morse Center, University of Oregon. (Rejected).
- Investigating the effects of literacy tutoring on the reading achievement of struggling readers in grades K-2. Role: Principal Investigator (With Patrick Kennedy, Gina Biancarosa)Urban Institute. (Rejected).