

# HEMA SHAH

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## EDUCATION

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**Duke University** 2026 (Expected)  
Ph.D., Economics  
Dissertation Committee: Peter Arcidiacono (chair), Jason Baron, Lisa Gennetian, Arnaud Maurel, Pengpeng Xiao

**University of Virginia** 2020  
B.A. with Highest Distinction, Mathematics and Economics GPA: 3.925  
Echols Scholar, College Science Scholar

## RESEARCH FIELDS

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Labor Economics, Public Economics, Econometrics

## WORKING PAPERS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

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College Admissions Testing and Learning about Ability: Evidence from Strategic ACT and SAT Taking

Impacts of Unconditional Cash on Single Parenthood of Young Children in the U.S.: Evidence from the Baby's First Years Study

## PUBLICATIONS

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Shah, Hema & Lisa A. Gennetian. (2023, forthcoming). Unconditional Cash Transfers for Families with Children in the U.S.: A Scoping Review. **Review of Economics of the Household**.

Shah, Hema. (2020). A Glass Escalator for Female UVA Graduates? Gender Gaps Across the Starting Salary Distribution. **Atlantic Economic Journal**, 48(4), 539-541.

## EXPERIENCE

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**Graduate Research Assistant**  
*Peter Arcidiacono (Duke University)* 2021-Present  
*Lisa Gennetian (Duke University), [Baby's First Years Project](#)* 2022-Present

**Undergraduate Research Assistant**  
*Sarah Turner (University of Virginia)* 2020  
*Sandip Sukhtankar (University of Virginia)* 2018-2019

**Summer Analyst** 2019  
*Cornerstone Research, Washington, DC*

## TEACHING

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**Graduate Teaching Assistant**  
*ECON 707: PhD Econometrics II* Spring 2022  
*Instructors: Adam Rosen and Andrew Patton (Duke University)*  
*ECON 703: PhD Econometrics I* Fall 2021  
*Instructor: Matt Masten (Duke University)*

**Undergraduate Teaching Assistant**  
*ECON 3559: Economics, Sustainability, and the Environment* Fall 2019  
*Instructor: William Shobe (University of Virginia)*  
*STAT 2120: Introduction to Statistical Analysis* Spring 2018  
*Instructor: Jeffrey Woo (University of Virginia)*

## PRESENTATIONS

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International Atlantic Economic Virtual Conference	2020
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## HONORS AND AWARDS

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<b>Program for Advanced Research in the Social Sciences (PARISS) Fellowship</b> <i>Duke University Social Science Research Institute</i>	2023-2024
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<b>Finalist, Best Undergraduate Paper Contest</b> <i>International Atlantic Economic Society</i>	2020
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<b>Best Distinguished Majors Thesis Award</b> <i>University of Virginia Department of Economics</i>	2020
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## SERVICE

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<b>Co-Organizer, Duke Economics Student Labor/Public Workshop</b> <i>Duke University</i>	2023-Present
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<b>Co-Chair, Duke Graduate Mentorship Program</b> <i>Duke University</i>	2023-Present
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<b>Mentor, Duke Graduate Mentorship Program</b> <i>Duke University</i>	2022-Present
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<b>Co-Chair, Economics Graduate Student Council</b> <i>Duke University</i>	2021-2023
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<b>Graduate Student Liason, Duke Graduate School</b> <i>Duke University</i>	2021-Present
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<b>Member, Echols Scholars Program Advisory Committee</b> <i>University of Virginia</i>	2020-Present
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## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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Stata, R, MATLAB,  $\text{\LaTeX}$