

HEMA SHAH

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EDUCATION

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

Labor Economics, Public Economics, Econometrics

WORKING PAPERS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

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

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

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

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

2023: Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management, Southern Economic Association

2020: International Atlantic Economic Society (Virtual)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Program for Advanced Research in the Social Sciences (PARISS) Fellowship 2023-2024

Duke University Social Science Research Institute

Finalist, Best Undergraduate Paper Contest 2020

International Atlantic Economic Society

Best Distinguished Majors Thesis Award 2020

University of Virginia Department of Economics

SERVICE

Co-Organizer, Duke Economics Student Labor/Public Workshop 2023-Present

Duke University

Co-Chair, Duke Graduate Mentorship Program 2023-Present

Duke University

Mentor, Duke Graduate Mentorship Program 2022-Present

Duke University

Co-Chair, Economics Graduate Student Council 2021-2023

Duke University

Graduate Student Liason, Duke Graduate School 2021-Present

Duke University

Member, Echols Scholars Program Advisory Committee 2020-Present

University of Virginia

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Stata, R, MATLAB, \LaTeX