HEMA SHAH

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

GPA: 3.925

B.A. with Highest Distinction, Mathematics and Economics

Echols Scholar, College Science Scholar

RESEARCH FIELDS

Labor Economics, Public Economics, Econometrics

WORKING PAPERS AND WORKS IN PROGRESS

Estimating ACT Score Value-Added

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

The Impact of Monthly Unconditional Cash on Food Security, Spending, and Consumption: Three Year Follow-Up Findings from the Baby's First Years Study

(with Lisa A. Gennetian, Matthew Maury, Laura Stilwell, Katherine Magnuson, Greg Duncan, Nathan Fox, Sarah Halpern-Meekin, and Hirokazu Yoshikawa)

PUBLICATIONS

Shah, Hema & Lisa A. Gennetian. (2024). Unconditional Cash Transfers for Families with Children in the U.S.: A Scoping Review. **Review of Economics of the Household**, 22(2), 415-450. *NBER Working Paper w30965*.

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)

Lisa Gennetian (Duke University), Baby's First Years Project

2021-Present
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 Instructor: Matt Masten (Duke University)	Fall 2021
Undergraduate Teaching Assistant	
ECON 3559: Economics, Sustainability, and the Environment Instructor: William Shobe (University of Virginia)	Fall 2019
STAT 2120: Introduction to Statistical Analysis Instructor: Jeffrey Woo (University of Virginia)	Spring 2018
RESENTATIONS	
2023: Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management, Southern Economic Associate 2020: International Atlantic Economic Society (Virtual)	tion
DNORS AND AWARDS	
Program for Advanced Research in the Social Sciences (PARISS) Fellowship Duke University Social Science Research Institute Interdisciplinary fellowship awarding full funding to one economics PhD student each acade	2023-2024
Finalist, Best Undergraduate Paper Contest	2020
International Atlantic Economic Society	2020
Best Distinguished Majors Thesis Award University of Virginia Department of Economics	2020
RVICE	
Co-Organizer, Duke Economics Student Labor/Public Workshop Duke University	2023-2024
Co-Chair, Duke Graduate Mentorship Program Duke University	2023-2024
Mentor, Duke Graduate Mentorship Program Duke University	2022-Presen
Co-Chair, Economics Graduate Student Council Duke University	2021-2023
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Graduate Student Liason, Duke Graduate School Duke University	2021-Presen

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Stata, R, MATLAB, \LaTeX