HEMA SHAH

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EDUCATION

Duke University — 2026 (Expected)
Ph.D., Economics

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

Unconditional Cash Transfers for Families with Children in the U.S.: A Scoping Review
with Lisa A. Gennetian

PUBLICATIONS

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

International Atlantic Economic Virtual Conference   2020

HONORS AND AWARDS

Finalist, Best Undergraduate Paper Contest   2020
International Atlantic Economic Society

Best Distinguished Majors Thesis Award   2020
University of Virginia Department of Economics

SERVICE

Mentor, Duke Graduate Mentorship Program   2022-Present
Duke University

Co-Chair, Economics Graduate Student Council   2021-Present
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