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ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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| Postdoctoral Scholar, LEAP, Bocconi University | 2023 - |
| Research Affiliate, IZA | 2024 - |
| Non-resident Associate Fellow, NCAER, India | 2023 - |

EDUCATION

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| PhD in Economics, University of California, Irvine | 2017- 2023 |
| M.Sc. Economics, TERI University, New Delhi, India | 2012 - 2014 |
| B.A. (Hons.) Economics, Delhi University, New Delhi, India | 2009 - 2012 |

RESEARCH FIELDS

Labor Economics, Development Economics, Public Economics

ECONOMICS JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

"Women's Leadership in Fintech: Cross-country Evidence" (with Purva Khera, Sumiko Ogawa and Ratna Sahay), *CESifo Economic Studies*, 2024

"Language and Learning in Ethnically Mixed Communities" (with Hemanshu Kumar and Rohini Somanathan), *Review Of Development Economics*, 2022

POLICY PUBLICATIONS

"Female Leadership in India: Climbing the Corporate Ladder" (with Ratna Sahay and Navya Srivastava), *India Policy Forum*, *Forthcoming*

"Why Such Few Women in Leadership Positions in Japan?" (with Kohei Asao and Purva Khera), *IMF Selected Issues Papers, Country Report No. 2024/119*

WORKING PAPERS AND SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Local Media Reports about Sexual Crimes and Judicial Outcomes in India" (Job Market Paper)

"Employment Booms and Infant Health: Evidence from Ready-Made Garment Sector in Bangladesh" *Revise & Resubmit, Journal of Development Studies*

"Impact of Female Politicians on School Construction: Evidence from Rural India"

"Reporting of Intimate Partner Violence: Evidence from Counselling Centers in India" (with Aarushi Kalra and Marcela Mello)

MEDIA COVERAGE

Ideas of India Podcast with Shruti Rajagopalan, 2022

The Digital Gender Gap, with Purva Khera, Sumiko Ogawa and Ratna Sahay, *Finance & Development Magazine*, December 2022

Ideas for a better Budget: Women's health, maternal leave and safety for economic growth, with Tarun Jain, *The Economic Times*, January 8, 2021

RESEARCH VISIT AND CONSULTING

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| Economic Consultant , Center for Effective Governance for Indian States | <i>July - September 2024</i> |
| Fund Intern , International Monetary Fund | <i>2020</i> |

RESEARCH GRANT AND FELLOWSHIPS

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| LEAP Faculty Grant (€3,000) | <i>2024</i> |
| Initiatives to End Family Violence Research Grant, UC Irvine (\$750) | <i>2022</i> |
| Center for Global Peace and Conflict Studies Research Grant, UC Irvine (\$3,000) | <i>2022</i> |
| Associate Dean's Fellowship, School of Social Science, UC Irvine (\$7,000) | <i>2021</i> |
| Travel Fellowship, Department of Economics, UC Irvine (\$500) | <i>2020</i> |
| Summer Research Fellowship, Department of Economics, UC Irvine (\$7,700) | <i>2019 - 2022</i> |
| Impact of Medium of Instruction on Learning Outcomes under ID E224 joint with Rohini Somanathan and Hemanshu Kumar Azim Premji Foundation (\$8,100) | <i>2016 - 2018</i> |

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, UC Irvine | <i>2017 - 2022</i> |
| <i>Courses:</i> Applied Econometrics I, Applied Econometrics II, Introduction to Macroeconomics, Business Forecasting, Intermediate Economics I, Intermediate Economics III, Managerial Economics, Basic Economics II | |

WORK EXPERIENCE

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|---|--------------------|
| Research Assistant for Prof. Rohini Somanathan Center for Development Economics, Delhi School of Economics | <i>2014 - 2017</i> |
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ACADEMIC SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

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| Referee Service: Journal of Development Economics, World Bank Economic Review, World Development, Economics of Education Review, Economic Modelling, Feminist Economics | |
| Organizer, Women in Economics student group, UC Irvine | <i>2020 - 2022</i> |

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

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| Award for academic excellence, M.Sc.(Economics), TERI University | <i>2014</i> |
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INVITED TALKS

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| - International Food Policy Research Institute, DC (scheduled); Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur, India; Azim Premji University, Bangalore India; New York University, Abu Dhabi; CLEAN Seminar Series, Bocconi University and LSE | <i>2024</i> |
| - Laboratory for Effective Anti-Poverty Policies, Bocconi University; Azim Premji University, Bangalore, India | <i>2023</i> |
| - University of Maryland, Baltimore County; California State University, Long Beach | <i>2022</i> |

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- IEB-WB Conference on Gender Norms and Law (scheduled); 2024
International Conference on Development Economics, France;
3rd Workshop on Public Policy, IEB, Barcelona;
Midwest International Economic Development Conference;
Bolzano Applied Microeconomics Workshop;
Asia Meeting of The Econometric Society, IIT-Delhi
- Workshop on the Econ of Crime for Junior Scholars, Northeastern University; 2023
Applied Young Economist Webinar;
NCAER Neemrana Conference;
Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development, ISI
- All-Cal Labor Economics Conference, UC Riverside; 2022
The North East Universities Development Consortium;
Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management;
Southern Economic Association
- All-Cal Labor Economics Conference, UC Irvine; 2021
CEBRA Annual Meeting, MIT Golub Center for Finance and Policy
- Winter School, Delhi School of Economics; 2020
Southern Economic Association;
Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management;
WEAI Virtual 95th Annual Conference
- Mentorship Workshop, Women in Economics, Stanford University, CA; 2019
Summer Workshop on India's Women, Work and Development, Jointly held by Evidence for Policy and Design, Indian Statistical Institute and Initiative for What Works to Advance Women and Girls in the Economy at IFMR, New Delhi, India;
Discussant for Healthcare: Access and Cost, Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management, UC Irvine;
Graduate Student Workshop, Association for the Study of Religion, Economics and Culture, Boston, MA.

SOFTWARE SKILLS

- Proficient in STATA, Python, ArcGIS, MATLAB, LaTeX and MS Office

REFERENCES

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