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EDUCATION

PhD in Economics , University of California, Irvine	2017- 2023 (<i>Expected</i>)
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

PUBLICATIONS

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

WORKING PAPERS

“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”
Under Review

“Women in Fintech: As Leaders and Users.” (with Purva Khera, Sumiko Ogawa and Ratna Sahay), *IMF Working Paper* No. 2022/150

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

POLICY WRITING AND PRESS 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

Fund Internship Program , International Monetary Fund	2020
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RESEARCH GRANT AND FELLOWSHIPS

Initiatives to End Family Violence Research Grant, UC Irvine (\$750)	2022
Center for Global Peace and Conflict Studies Research Grant, UC Irvine (\$3,000)	2022
Associate Dean’s Fellowship, School of Social Science, UC Irvine (\$7,000)	2021
Travel Fellowship, Department of Economics, UC Irvine (\$500)	2020
Summer Research Fellowship, Department of Economics, UC Irvine (\$7,700)	2019 - 2022

Impact of Medium of Instruction on Learning Outcomes under ID E224
joint with Rohini Somanathan and Hemanshu Kumar
Azim Premji Foundation (\$8,100)

2016 - 2018

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Prof. Rohini Somanathan 2014-2017
Center for Development Economics, Delhi School of Economics

SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP

Organizer, Women in Economics student group, UC Irvine 2020 - 2022

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

Award for academic excellence, M.Sc. (Economics), TERI University 2014

INVITED TALKS

- California State University, Long Beach 2022
- Monetary and Capital Market Forum, International Monetary Fund 2021

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- 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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