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ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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

EDUCATION

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 ARTICLES

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

POLICY ARTICLES

"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*, *Forthcoming*, May 2024

"Women in Fintech: As Leaders and Users" (with Purva Khera, Sumiko Ogawa and Ratna Sahay), *IMF Working Paper* No. 2022/150
Revise and Resubmit, *CESIfo Economic Studies*

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"
Under Review

"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)

"Safety Concerns and Girls' School Participation" (with Garima Agarwal)

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

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

LEAP Faculty Grant (€3,000)	2024
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
<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

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

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

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

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

- New York University, Abu Dhabi (scheduled); CLEAN Seminar Series, Bocconi University and LSE (scheduled)	2024
- Laboratory for Effective Anti-Poverty Policies, Bocconi University; Azim Premji University, Bangalore, India	2023

- University of Maryland, Baltimore County; 2022
California State University, Long Beach
- Monetary and Capital Market Forum, International Monetary Fund 2021

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- India Policy Forum (scheduled); 2024
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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