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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Postdoctoral Scholar, LEAP, Bocconi University 2023 -

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

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

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”

“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

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
<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

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

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

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

- Laboratory for Effective Anti-Poverty Policies, Bocconi University Azim Premji University, Bangalore, India	2023
- University of Maryland, Baltimore County California State University, Long Beach	2022
- Monetary and Capital Market Forum, International Monetary Fund	2021

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

- Workshop on the Econ of Crime for Junior Scholars, Northeastern University; Applied Young Economist Webinar	2023
- All-Cal Labor Economics Conference, UC Riverside; The North East Universities Development Consortium; Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management; Southern Economic Association	2022
- All-Cal Labor Economics Conference, UC Irvine; CEBRA Annual Meeting, MIT Golub Center for Finance and Policy	2021

- 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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