

Nisha Chikhale

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Education

University of Wisconsin, Madison 2018-Present

PhD Candidate in Economics

Fields: Applied Macroeconomics, Labor Economics

University of Wisconsin, Madison December 2020

Master of Science in Economics

University of Maryland, College Park May 2015

Bachelor of Arts in Economics and French Language and Literature

Minor in Statistical Analysis

Honors and Awards

- Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation (2018)
- Distinguished TA (2019)
- Institute for Research on Poverty, Graduate Research Fellow, 2020-Present
- Juli Plant Grainger Summer Research Scholarship (2021)

Working Papers

- “The Effects of Uncertainty Shocks: Implications of Wealth Inequality,” *R&R at the European Economic Review*
- “Workplace Sexual Harassment and the Gender Pay Gap,” with Natalie Duncombe
- “Credit Access and Intergenerational Inequality,” with J. Carter Braxton, Kyle Herkenhoff, and Gordon Phillips

Teaching Experience

- Teaching Assistant, UW-Madison Fall 2019
Introduction to Macroeconomic Theory Prof. Stella Chan
- Teaching Assistant, UW-Madison Spring 2020
Introduction to Macroeconomic Theory Prof. Stella Chan

Research Experience

Research Assistant, Washington Center for Equitable Growth, Washington DC

March 2016-June 2018

- Conducted collaborative and independent research on topics of economic inequality and growth while providing support to researchers on academic and policy endeavors
- Wrote speeches, testimony, and provided background to facilitate communication between academic experts, policymakers, and the media
- Created, managed, and improved data extracts for economists, including PSID and SOI micro datasets

Research Assistant, Experimental Economics Lab, University of Maryland

September 2015-March 2016

- Assisted Economics Professors and graduate students in conducting behavioral and experimental economic studies by proctoring lab experiments, conducting research, and recruiting test subjects under the Director, Professor Erkut Ozbay

Service

- Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking

Leadership in Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion

- Summit for Diversity in Economics, UC Berkeley, September 2018
- Founding member and co-President of the Wisconsinites for Diversity and Inclusion in Economics, UW-Madison Economics Department, December 2018-Present
- Ph.D. Student Mentor, UW-Madison Economics Department, 2019 and 2020
- Diversity Equity and Inclusion Committee member, UW- Madison Economics Department, 2021-2022

Workshops and Conferences

- Pre-2019: ASSA Annual Meeting, Inequality by the Numbers (CUNY), Distributional National Accounts Workshop, Mitigating Pay Inequality in the United States Workshop, APPAM
- 2020: NBER Monetary Economics Meeting

Skills and Languages

- Working proficiency in various programming languages including Matlab, Stata, Fortran, and Julia
- Advanced professional proficiency in French; Conversational proficiency in Dutch