## Ruchi Mahadeshwar

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Citizenship: US

**Brown University** EDUCATION

Providence, RI

Economics PhD Student

2019 - Present

University of Chicago

Chicago, IL

B.A., Economics with General Honors

2011 - 2015

### Research

### In Review

• "Overcoming information gaps and the risk-income tradeoff in transactional sex with HIV selftests: behavioral responses to new diagnostics" with Kawango Agot and Harsha Thirumurthy

## Works in Progress

• Several studies spanning public, health, and labor economics, including affordable housing, land acquisition and urbanization, coercive fertility policy (India) and garment factories (Cambodia)

## Fellowships, Grants, and AWARDS

Graduate Research Fellowship, National Science Foundation (2021-Present)

Graduate Fellowship and Award, Center for Contemporary South Asia (2021 - Present)

Summer Research Award, Population Studies and Training Center (2021)

Small Grants Award, International Foundation for Research in Experimental Economics (2021)

Research Funding Awards, Orlando Bravo Center for Economic Research (2021, 2020)

T32 Fellowship, National Institutes of Health (2020 - 2021) Population Studies and Training Center Fellowship (2020 - 2021)

### Professional ACTIVITIES

Conferences and Presentations: UChicago Advances with Field Experiments Conference (2022), Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries (CEPR and UK Govt. Initiative) Young Scholars Workshop (2022), Economic Demography Workshop (2022), Midwest International Economic Development Conference (2022), Brown-MIT Development Workshop (2022), ASSA Annual Meetings: IHEA Session (2022), Harvard Business School Rising Scholars Conference (2021)

Referee: Journal of Development Economics

Service: Brown University Economics Department Diversity and Inclusion Committee

### Predoctoral Experience

# University of Chicago Economics Department & Booth School of Business Chicago, IL

Predoctoral Fellowship, Professors Neale Mahoney and Alessandra Voena

2018 - 2019

 Applied empirical economic methods to experimental and observational data on household finance and health economics analysis, including questions on debt repayment and material mortality

### Harvard University Economics Department

Cambridge, MA

Data Scientist, Professors Sendhil Mullainathan and Ziad Obermeyer

2017 - 2018

• Leveraged various statistical software packages to apply machine learning methods to health policy research, including questions on predicting patient risk and algorithmic racial bias

### Industry EXPERIENCE

## The Boston Consulting Group

Chicago, IL 2015-2017

Associate Consultant

- Worked in teams to provide strategic advice for both Fortune 500s and public sector clients
- Project work included go-to-market strategy for a pharmaceutical launch, growth strategy for a medical devices product, and designing a disconnected youth jobs creation program in Chicago

## Programming AND SOFTWARE

Python, R, Stata, Matlab, LATEX, git, Qualtrics

Languages

English, Hindi, and Marathi (Fluent), Mandarin Chinese (Proficient)

### References

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- Professor Alessandra Voena, Stanford University: +16503915440; avoena@stanford.edu