

# Shaurya Goyal

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## Education

Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Kharagpur

2020 - 2025

BS-MS in Economics    Minors : Math, Biology, Artificial Intelligence

CGPA: 8.89    Rank: 2/62

Grade 12 (HSC): 92%    Grade 10 (ICSE): 95%

## Awards and Scholarships

NGSF Summer Research Intern, Next Gen Scientists Foundation [stipend] 2022

International Research Fellowship, IIT Kharagpur Foundation [stipend, declined due to visa issues] 2022

Selected for the inStem workshop on Stem Cell research [funded] 2022

Selected for the ICTP-ICTS graduate-level Winter School in Quantitative Systems Biology 2021

Top 10% grade across all students in the institute at the end of 1st year & department change 2021

Merit-Cum-Means Scholarship, IIT Kharagpur [full tuition + stipend] 2020-Ongoing

## Research Experience

Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore

November 2021 – Ongoing

Cancer Systems Biology — Prof Mohit Kumar Jolly

- Used machine learning and gene expression data to model the effect of ELF3 on epithelial-mesenchymal plasticity and the resulting drug resistance and immune evasion by ER+ breast cancer. **Paper in draft.**

IIT Kharagpur

April 2021 – April 2022

Evolution of Eukaryotes — Prof Riddhiman Dhar

- Conducting a phylogenetic analysis of proteomes to understand whether an inside-out or outside-in model of eukaryote cell evolution was favourable

IIT Kharagpur

July – October 2021

Graph Fourier Transform — Prof Sanand Athalye

- Suggested a faster implementation for the parallel approximate graph fourier transform
- Compared running time of single and parallel approximate graph fourier transform for small graph networks
- Theoretical analysis for a faster exact graph fourier transform by Haar unit and Givens rotation factoring of graph laplacian eigenspace and reconstructing the graph network

## Selected Projects

Neuroscience Mini-Projects

March - May 2022

- Analyzed epilepsy - normal EEG data, Analyzed tuning curve of visual neurons, Estimated the auditory spectro-temporal receptive field by spike triggered averaging, Simulated a leaky integrate and fire neuron

Reinforcement Learning to Play Pong

October 2021

- Built a reinforcement learning agent that uses deep Q-learning and learns from pixel data to play Pong

Conditional GANs (Guided Reading Project)

July - August 2021

- Conducted a literature review on the theory of cGAN models in recent papers with an emphasis on face generation and other imaging purposes

Modelling Global Warming

February 2021

- Used machine learning to model how the temperatures have changed and used it to predict future changes

## Relevant Coursework

Computational Neuroscience<sup>2</sup>, Numerical Analysis, Statistics, Systems Biology<sup>3</sup>, Machine Learning in Genomics<sup>2</sup>, Cancer Biology<sup>3</sup>, Molecular and Cell Biology, Econometrics (with lab), Reinforcement Learning<sup>1</sup>, Probability, Partial Differential Equations, Linear Programming <sup>1</sup> Stanford, <sup>2</sup> MIT-OCW <sup>3</sup> PhD level course

## Programming Skills

Python, MATLAB, PyTorch, Linux/Windows, High Performance Computing, C

## Workshops / Conferences Attended

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<b>Essential Stem Cell Lab Techniques</b> Workshop organized by inStem and NCBS	<b>16-20 May 2022s</b> Bangalore, India
<b>Sensorimotor Control</b> Winter School in Quantitative Systems Biology organized by ICTP-ICTS	<b>6-17 December 2021</b> Online
<b>Neuromatch 4.0</b> Conference	<b>1-2 December 2021</b> Online
<b>High Performance Computing and AI for Computational Biology</b> Workshop organized by IIT Kharagpur and Tezpur University	<b>29-30 October 2021</b> Online

## Volunteer Work

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<b>Academic Mentor</b> UG Council, IIT Kharagpur <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Mentoring 6 students in their 1st year to ensure they have a smooth integration to online university life and assisting with academic and non-academic matters</li></ul>	<b>Jan 2022 – Ongoing</b>
<b>Teacher(Independent)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Taught 2 under privileged kids in my locality of grade 5 (to grade 6) math, science and english.</li><li>Led to improved understanding and skill and their grade also improved by nearly 20 percent.</li></ul>	<b>October 2019 – December 2020</b>

## Leadership / Extracurricular

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- Active member of Biotechnology Reading Group, IIT Kharagpur
- Represented institute at various national level debate tournaments as a member of the Debating Society, IIT Kharagpur
- Represented institute in the Inter-IIT Scrabble Tournament
- Selected as Times Scholar (2019) by Times of India Group from 300,000+ students across India
- Silver Medal in National Taekwondo Championship (2017) and 1st Dan Black Belt

**Other Interests:** Guitar, Piano, Trekking (reached 13120 ft), Running, Rock music, Star Wars