MAHIMA VASISHTH

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EDUCATION

PhD in Economics, University of California, Irvine	2017-2023 (Expected)
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" Under Review

"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
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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 3,000) <i>2022</i>
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	<i>2019 - 2022</i>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, UC Irvine 2017 - 2022 Courses: Applied Econometrics I, Applied Econometrics II, Introduction to Macroeconomics, Business Forecasting, Intermediate Economics I, Intermediate Economics III, Managerial Economics, Basic Economics II

2016 - 2018

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Prof. Rohini Somanathan Center for Development Economics, Delhi School of Economics	2014-2017
ACADEMIC SERVICE AND LEADERSHIP	
Organizer, Women in Economics student group, UC Irvine Referee, Economic Modelling	2020 - 2022
ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS	
Award for academic excellence, M.Sc. (Economics), TERI University	2014
INVITED TALKS	
- Laboratory for Effective Anti-Poverty Policies, Bocconi University	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 (S	Ccheduled) 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; Southern Economic Association; Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management; WEAI Virtual 95th Annual Conference 	2020
 Mentorship Workshop, Women in Economics, Stanford University, CA; Summer Workshop on India's Women, Work and Development, Jointly held by E and Design, Indian Statistical Institute and Initiative for What Works to Advance in the Economy at IFMR, New Delhi, India; Discussant for Healthcare: Access and Cost, Association for Public Policy Analys UC Irvine; Graduate Student Workshop, Association for the Study of Religion, Economics and MA. 	e Women and Girls

SOFTWARE SKILLS

- Proficient in STATA, Python, ArcGIS, MATLAB, LaTeX and MS Office

REFERENCES

Matthew Freedman (*Chair*) matthew.freedman@uci.edu University of California, Irvine

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