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Education

Ph.D. in Economics, Colorado State University *Expected May 2027*

Dissertation: The Political Economy of Gendered Structures: Labor, Care, and Resistance

Committee: Ray Miller (Advisor), Ramaa Vasudevan (Co-advisor), Alexandra Bernasek, Elissa Braunstein, Gamze Cavdar

MPhil in Economics, Lahore School of Economics — GPA: 3.78 2019

BSc (Hons.) Economics & Finance, Lahore School of Economics — Silver Medal, GPA: 3.94 2017

Fields of Interest

Migration Economics, Gender Economics, Labor Economics, Development Economics, Political Economy, Feminist Economics, Applied Microeconomics

Publications

Peer Reviewed

- **Militarization, Gendered Labor Markets and the Care Economy.** *Review of Radical Political Economics (RRPE), Conference Proceedings Issue, 2025.* DOI

Selected Reports & Policy Briefs

- **Paid Sick Leave Access Increased During the Last Decade, but Inequities Remain.** *Institute for Women's Policy Research, 2024.* (PDF)

Selected Works

Working Papers

- **The Gendering of Markets: Militarization and Segregation.**

Works in Progress

- **Migrating Reproduction: The Political Economy of Gendered Care**
- **Cracking the Patriarchy: Informal Collective Action**

Research Experience

Student Research Associate

May 2023 – Present

Institute for Research in the Social Sciences (IRISS), Colorado State University

- Worked on multiple social-science projects across both CSU and external partners.
- Worked on both quantitative and qualitative analysis.
- Co-authored report: “*Eco-Fashion FUNDamentals Colorado State University SPUR Campus Program Report*”

Research Consultant

Feb 2023 – Apr 2023, Oct 2023 – Apr 2024

Institute for Women's Policy Research (IWPR), Washington, D.C.

- Co-authored the report on “Paid Sick Leave Access Increased During the Last Decade, but Inequities Remain” (See Selected Works and Publications)
- “Enhancing Women’s Employment: The Role of Care Infrastructure in the US.”
- Worked on Jobs Day Report using BLS data.

Research Assistant

Feb 2022 – Feb 2023

Regional Economic Development Institute (REDI), Colorado State University

- Worked on Regional Indicators while exploring avenues for intersectional research.

Additional research experience (selected):

Research Assistant, Department of Economics, Colorado State University (2021); Research Associate, Oxford Policy Management, Pakistan (2019–2020); Research Assistant, CREB (2017–2019); Field Researcher/Researcher, CERP and DevTrio Consultants (2016–2017)

Teaching Experience

Instructor of Record, CSU May 2023 – Present

Courses: Principles of Microeconomics (In-person and Online), Principles of Macroeconomics (Online), Gender in the Economy (In-person and Online), History of Economic Institutions and Thought (In-person)

Graduate Teaching Assistant, CSU Aug 2020 – May 2023

Courses: Principles of Microeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics, Econometrics, History of Economic Institutions

Teaching Assistant, Lahore School of Economics Sep 2018 – Dec 2019

Courses: Econometrics I, Econometrics II, Development Economics, Advanced Macroeconomics, International Economics, International Finance

Conference Presentations

- **2026:** International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE); Western Economic Association International (WEAI); Gender and the Economy Conference, Lahore University of Management Sciences (LUMS); URPE–John Jay Conference; Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA).
- **2025:** International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE); Carework Network Young Scholars Initiative (YSI) Pre-conference; Eastern Economic Association (EEA); Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA).
- **2024:** Young Economists Conference, Vienna; Care Conference (IWPR); Eastern Economic Association (EEA).
- **2023:** Applied Development Economics Conference

Grants and Funding

YSI Pre-conference Travel Grant (*Carework Network, \$200*) 2025

IAFFE Travel Grant (*\$2100*) 2025

Graduate School Research Support Grant, CSU (*Eastern Economic Association, \$500*) 2024

YSI Travel Grant (*Young Economists Conference, \$800*) 2024

Skills and Professional Services

- Languages: English (fluent), Urdu (native), Punjabi (fluent)
- Software: Stata, MS Office, L^AT_EX, Dedoose
- Reviewer: Feminist Economics, Review of Radical Political Economy (RRPE)

References

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