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Education

2023-present

Doctoral Candidate

Ashank Desai Centre for Policy Studies

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay

My doctoral research centres on "Trustworthy AI" frameworks, analysing how stakeholders like governments and corporations construct narratives around AI and trust. This focus helps evaluate the influence of these narratives on public policy and informs recommendations for ensuring ethical and responsible AI use, particularly in public services.

2021-2023

Master's in Public Policy

Ashank Desai Centre for Policy Studies

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay

CGPA: 9.52/10

Engaged with various public policy issues such as technology policy, AI and society, and digital societies. Gained first-hand research experience in qualitative and quantitative methods, report writing, and policy brief writing. Gained exposure to various issues in policy, governance, and values in public policy. Successfully applied to convert my master's program to a doctoral candidacy.

2014-2019

Integrated MSc. Financial Economics

Central University of Tamil Nadu & Madras School of Economics

CGPA: 8.29/10

Specialisation in Financial Economics. Graduated first class.

Experience

2023-present

Research Scholar & Teaching Assistant (IIT Bombay)

Help the instructor plan courses, set curricula, schedule lectures, and teach assigned topics offered at Ashank Desai Centre for Policy Studies, IIT Bombay.

- PS 657: Cybersecurity Governance and Management – Policy Considerations (Spring 2025, upcoming)
- PS 643: Introduction to AI, Data, and Policy (Autumn 2024, Autumn 2023)
- PS 643: Advanced Topics in AI, Data and Policy (Spring 2024)

2022

Research Intern (Bureau of Indian Standards)

Studied the role of standards in the public policy-making process.

Analysed the emerging ISO trustworthiness standards for digital systems.

2019-2021

Business Analyst (Evalueserve Pvt Ltd)

Responsible for evaluating business processes, understanding requirements, creating test plans, recognising areas of improvement, and developing and implementing solutions. Leveraged credit risk modelling, validation, and monitoring expertise to develop and implement solutions that mitigate risk and ensure regulatory compliance.

Additional Experience

2021

Policy Fellow, H21 Foundation for Community Consensus

Hands-on experience in participatory budgeting and the Janacek method of voting.

Languages

English (proficient) | Hindi (native)

Online Certifications

2023

[AI for Business Specialisation](#) (University of Pennsylvania)

2023

[Python Basics for Data Science](#) (IBM)

2022

[Ethics in AI and Data Science](#) (The Linux Foundation)

2021

[Master Public Policy Analysis In Six Easy Steps: The Basics](#) (Udemy)

Publications

1. Kayal, P., & Rohilla, P. (2021). Bitcoin in the economics and finance literature: a survey. *SN Business & Economics*, 1(7), 88.
2. Oberoi, S., Rohilla, P., & Lakshmi, S. (2023). The Indian DPDP Act 2023 – Analysis and Implementation Challenge. *IIPA Digest*, 5(4).