

# AMRITA KULKA

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## EMPLOYMENT

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University of Warwick, Assistant Professor of Economics 2021 -  
NYU Furman Center, Postdoctoral Research Fellow 2020 - 2021

## EDUCATION

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University of Wisconsin–Madison (PhD Economics) 2014 - 2020  
Committee: Christopher Taber, Jesse M. Gregory, Matthew J. Wiswall, J. Michael Collins  
University of Wisconsin–Madison (MSc. Economics) 2014 - 2016  
Ludwig-Maximilian-University Munich (MSc Economics) 2011 - 2013  
Humboldt-University Berlin (BSc Economics) 2008 - 2011

## RESEARCH FIELDS

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Public Economics; Urban Economics; Economics of Education

## WORKING PAPERS

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“Sorting into Neighborhoods: The Role of Minimum Lot Sizes.” *(Job Market Paper)*  
“Rural Physician Shortages and Policy Intervention,” with Dennis B. McWeeny. *(In Submission)*  
“Saving for the Future by Buying Ahead: The Role of Bulk Purchases as a Response to Changes in Tax Refunds,” with J. Michael Collins. *(In Submission)*  
“The Effect of Learning the Language on Job Market Outcomes – Introduction of Integration Courses in Germany.”

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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“Pathways to a Bachelor's Degree: Evaluating Transfer Policies between Two-Year and Four-Year Colleges,” with Suchitra Akmanchi.  
“Fecundity and the Evaluation of Infant and Child Health Programs in the US,” with Marianne Bitler, Jenna Nobles and Fiona Weeks.  
“How to Build Affordable Housing? Developer Decisions and the Role of Local Barriers to Building Multi-Unit Housing,” with Nick Chiumenti and Aradhya Sood.  
“Agglomeration over the Long Run: Evidence from County Seat Wars,” with Cory Smith.

## PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

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Research Assistant for Professor Jenna Nobles, UW Madison

*September 2018 – August 2019*

Research Assistant for Professor James Raymo, UW Madison	<i>September 2017 – August 2018</i>
Project Assistant for Professor Michael Collins, UW Madison	<i>June 2016 – August 2017</i>
Research Assistant for Professor Panu Poutvaara, Ifo Institute Munich	<i>May 2012 – June 2014</i>
Research Assistant for Professor Joachim Gassen, HU Berlin	<i>2009 - 2011</i>

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

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Teaching Assistant for Principles of Microeconomics, Professor David Johnson	<i>Spring 2016</i>
Teaching Assistant for Professor David Hansen, Statistics	<i>Fall 2015</i>
Teaching Assistant for Principles of Microeconomics, Professor Gwen Eudey	<i>Spring 2015</i>
Teaching Assistant for Principles of Macroeconomics, Professor Gwen Eudey	<i>Fall 2014</i>

## **AWARDS AND AFFILIATIONS**

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Juli Plant Grainger Outstanding Dissertator Fellowship (two semesters)	<i>September 2019 - May 2020</i>
CSWEP Summer Economics Fellow	<i>2018</i>
Summer Research Scholarship, Department of Economics	<i>2018</i>
Best Poster Award, 2018 PAA (for “Rural Physician Shortages and Policy Intervention”)	<i>2018</i>
Pre-Doctoral Trainee, Center for Demography of Health and Aging	<i>2016 - Present</i>
Alumni Prize for Young Economists of the Munich Economics Alumni Club (for achieving 2 <sup>nd</sup> rank in the Master’s cohort of 2013/14)	<i>2014</i>
Anita Augspurg Prize for the best Master Thesis written by a female student	<i>2014</i>
Scholar of German National Academic Foundation	<i>2010 - 2014</i>
Kurt Fordan Association for the promotion of exceptional talent	<i>2012 – 2014</i>

## **INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

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<i>2021</i>	SOLE Annual Conference, European Meeting of Urban Economics Association, Hitotsubashi University, NBER Summer Institute (Real Estate), NYU Furman Center
<i>2020</i>	University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Stockholm University, Amsterdam School of Economics, University of Tübingen, Stockholm School of Economics, Collegio Carlo Alberto, University of Warwick, Rice University, The Ohio State University, NYU Furman Center, Economic Demography Workshop (cancelled due to COVID-19), EALE SOLE AASLE World conference, Virtual Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management
<i>2019</i>	Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management, Western Economics Association International Graduate Student Workshop, 9 <sup>th</sup> European Meeting of Urban Economics Association, Population Association of America Annual Meeting
<i>2018</i>	13 <sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, Federal Reserve Board of Governors, Population Association of America Annual Meeting (Poster)

## **REFEREEING ACTIVITIES**

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Quantitative Economics

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

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*Languages:* German (native), English (fluent), Bengali (fluent), French (basic), Hindi (basic)