

# Ruchi Singh

Department of Insurance, Real Estate & Legal Studies  
Terry College of Business  
University of Georgia  
429 Moore-Rooker Hall  
Athens, GA 30602

Phone: (706) 713-2824  
Email: [ruchi.singh@uga.edu](mailto:ruchi.singh@uga.edu)  
<http://www.ruchisingh.net>

---

## Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2017  
M.S. Statistics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, 2017  
M.A. Economics, Delhi School of Economics, Delhi, India, 2008  
B.A. Economics, Lady Shri Ram College, Delhi, India, 2006

## Academic Position

Assistant Professor of Real Estate, University of Georgia, August 2017 - present

## Research and Teaching Interests

Urban Economics, Real Estate, Applied Microeconomics, Econometrics

## Publications

"Do More Eyes on the Street Reduce Crime? Evidence from Chicago's Safe Passage Program",  
with Daniel McMillen and Ignacio Sarmiento.  
*Journal of Urban Economics*, March 2019, 110, 1-25

"Seismic Risk and House Prices: Evidence from Earthquake Fault Zoning".  
*Regional Science and Urban Economics*, March 2019, 75, 187-209

"Fair Market Rent Notches and the Distribution of Rents in Los Angeles" with Daniel McMillen.  
*Regional Science and Urban Economics*, January 2020, 80

"Assessment Regressivity and Property Taxation" with Daniel McMillen.  
*Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics*, February 2020, 60, 155-169

"Stringency of Land-Use Regulation: Building Heights in US Cities" with Jan Brueckner.  
*Journal of Urban Economics*, March 2020, 116

## Working Papers

"Is Competition a Cure for Confusion? Evidence from the Residential Mortgage Market" with  
Steven Malliaris and Daniel Rettl (Revise and Resubmit at *Real Estate Economics*)

"Land Value Estimation Using Teardowns" with Daniel McMillen

"Measures of Vertical Inequality in Assessments" with Daniel McMillen

"Do School Shooting Erode Property Values?" with Juan Munoz

"Long Term Impact of Rwanda Genocide: A Quantile Regression analysis"

## Work in Progress

"The Effect of Riots on the Property Tax Base in Los Angeles"

"A note on the Optimal Lambda for Minimum Power Divergence Estimator", with Anil Bera

## Teaching Experience

Real Estate Program, University of Georgia

Real Estate Principles, Fall 2017 - Present

Department of Economics, University of Illinois (as Teaching Assistant)

Econometrics (Graduate), 2015 - 2017 (Spring semester)

Statistics (Graduate), 2014 - 2016 (Fall semester)

International Economics (Graduate & Undergraduate), Fall 2013

## Research Grants, Awards & Fellowships

Lincoln Institute Scholar, 2019.

"Land Valuation Methods". Sponsor: Lincoln Institute of Land Policy. \$10,000. 2019.

"Subsidence Risks and House Prices: Evidence from Illinois". Sponsor: Illinois Mine Subsidence Insurance Fund. \$55,516. 2018.

Awarded Outstanding Reviewer Status, Regional Science and Urban Economics, 2017

American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association (AREUEA) Doctoral Session Travel Grant, 2017

Graduate College Travel Grant, University of Illinois, 2016

Department Travel Grant, University of Illinois, 2016

C. Lowell Harriss Dissertation Fellowship, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy, 2016

Paul W. Boltz Fellowship, University of Illinois, 2016

(in recognition of exceptional promise for careers in academia or business)

Robert E. Demarest Memorial Teaching Award, University of Illinois, 2016

Department Summer Research Fellowship, University of Illinois, 2015, 2016

Graduate Teaching Certificate, University of Illinois, 2014

List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by Students, University of Illinois, Fall 2014 - Spring 2017  
(Ranked as "Outstanding" by Students (Top 10%), Fall 2014 - Fall 2015 & Spring 2017)

Department Travel Grant, University of Illinois, 2013

Department Fellowship, University of Illinois, Spring 2013

Principal's prize (for Commitment and Service), Lady Shri Ram College, Delhi, 2006

Dr Saroj Gupta Memorial Scholarship, Lady Shri Ram College, Delhi, 2005  
(for academic and overall excellence)

## Conference and Seminar Presentations

- 2021: AREUEA-ASSA Conference (Chicago)
- 2020: AREUEA-ASSA Conference (San Diego), 2020 Research Symposium at USC Lusk Center, Penn State University
- 2019: AREUEA International Conference (Milan, Italy); Baruch College - City University of New York; University of Georgia (Agricultural and Applied Economics); APPAM Fall Research Conference (Denver); 2019 SMU Conference on Urban and Regional Economics
- 2018: 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Urban Economic Association (Columbia University, NY); 46<sup>th</sup> AREUEA National Conference (Washington DC); Urban Economics and Public Finance Conference, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy
- 2017: Heartland Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop at Illinois; UIUC pERE Seminar; AREUEA-ASSA Conference, Doctoral Session (Chicago)
- 2016: AREUEA International Conference, Doctoral Session (University of Alicante); Economics Department, University of Illinois

## Professional Service

- Editorial Board: *Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics*: January 2019 - Present
- Referee: *Regional Science and Urban Economics, Real Estate Economics, Journal of Regional Science, Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics, Journal of Housing Economics, Urban Studies, Education Finance and Policy, Public Finance Review, Journal of Housing Research, Canadian Journal of Regional Science*
- Discussant: 2019 - AREUEA-ASSA Conference (Atlanta, GA), FSU-UF-UCF Real Estate Symposium (Gainesville, FL), AREUEA International Conference (Milan, Italy), 5th Biennial Real Estate Conference (FRB Atlanta)
- 2018 - 13<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Urban Economic Association (Columbia University, NY), 46<sup>th</sup> AREUEA National Conference (Washington DC)

## Other Professional Experience

- Research Assistant for Professor Richard Akresh and Damien De Walque,  
Spring 2014 - Summer 2015
- Research Assistant for Professor Daniel McMillen, Summer 2015, 2016 & 2017
- Economist, ICICI Bank, India, June 2008 - June 2012

## Affiliations

- American Economic Association
- American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association
- Urban Economic Association

## Workshops Attended

- 2017: NBER Summer Institute
- 2015: Frontiers in Urban Economics, Columbia University
- 2013: Causal Inference Workshop, Northwestern University

# Computer Skills

R, STATA, SAS, MATLAB, ARC-GIS, LATEX