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Awards*, Grants and Fellowships

External

- 2025* American Sociological Association (ASA) Political Economy of World System Terence K. Hopkins Graduate Student Paper Award (for article titled “[Covert Carcerality for ‘High-Income Cheap Labor’](#)”)
- 2024* Laura Bassi Award (partial editorial support)
- 2023 Asian Pacific American Religions Research Initiatives (APARRI) (\$7000, with Co-PIs Bandana Purkayastha and Anjana Narayan)
- 2023 British Sociological Association (BSA) Bursary for the Work, Employment Society Conference, Glasgow, UK (~\$350 for registration)
- 2022 ASA Student Forum Travel Award, Los Angeles (\$250 and complimentary registration)
- 2022 Wood/Raith Summer Research Fellowship (\$4,000)
- 2022* Honorable mention, Graduate student conference on the Global South, George Mason University
- 2019 College and University Teachers’ Conference Travel Grant, University Grant Commission, Government of India (approx. \$2,000)
- 2019 Graduate Student Travel Grant (\$400), Modern Language Association
- 2019* Publication award, Researchers@Work blog, The Centre for Internet & Society, India

Wake Forest University (Faculty)

- 2025 Faculty Summer Research Grant (\$6000)
- 2025 Faculty Development Fund (\$1889.14)
- 2025 Provost’s Faculty Travel Grant (\$2000)
- 2024 URECA Faculty-Student Research Grant (\$250)
- 2024 Faculty Start-Up Fund

University of Connecticut (Graduate Student)

- 2024* Arnold and Sandra Dashefsky Student Award for Excellence, Department of Sociology
- 2023* Outstanding Graduate Student in Research, Department of Sociology
- 2023 College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (CLAS) Fellows Fund Scholarship (\$3000)
- 2023 CLAS Summer Grant Writing Fellowship (\$3072.50)
- 2023 Graduate School Summer Dissertation Fellowship (\$2000)
- 2023 Department of Sociology, Graduate Student Conference Travel Grant (\$250).
- 2022 Human Rights Institute Graduate Student Research Grant (\$2,500)
- 2022* Michael A. Dunphy Graduate Student Award (\$250)
- 2022 CLAS Graduate PhD Fellowship (\$500)
- 2022 Department of Sociology, Graduate Student Conference Travel Grant (\$1000)
- 2021* The Democracy Lab’s ‘Meanings of America’ Contest, honorable mention (\$100)
- 2021 Conference Participation Fellowship (\$1,000)
- 2021 Policy Exception Grant (\$1,000)
- 2021 Department of Sociology Predoctoral Fellowship
- 2020 Global Affairs Award during COVID-19 (\$500)
- 2019 Department of Sociology, Graduate Student Conference Travel Grant (\$250).

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