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Bio

BIO

Saumitra Jha is an Associate Professor of Political Economy at Stanford's Graduate School of Business, and, by courtesy, of Economics and of Political Science.

Saumitra holds a BA from Williams College, master's degrees in economics and mathematics from the University of Cambridge, and a PhD in economics from Stanford University. Prior to joining the GSB, he was an Academy Scholar at Harvard University. He has been a Fellow of the Niehaus Center for Globalization and Governance and the Center for the Study of Democratic Politics at Princeton University and received the Michael Wallerstein Award for best published article in Political Economy from the American Political Science Association in 2014 for his research on ethnic tolerance. Saumitra has consulted on economic and political risk issues for the United Nations/ WTO and the World Bank.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Professor, Political Economy
- Senior Fellow, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies
- Senior Fellow, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (SIEPR)
- Associate Professor (By courtesy), Economics
- Associate Professor (By courtesy), Political Science

Teaching

COURSES

2021-22

- Political Development Economics: ECON 222 (Win)
- Political Development Economics: POLECON 683 (Win)
- Political Development Economics: POLISCI 446 (Win)

2019-20

- MSx: Strategy Beyond Markets: POLECON 239 (Aut)
- Political Development Economics: POLECON 683 (Win)

2018-19

- MSx: Strategy Beyond Markets: POLECON 239 (Aut)
- Political Development Economics: POLECON 683 (Win)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

Janka Deli, Floyd Zhang

Postdoctoral Faculty Sponsor

Nirvikar Jassal

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Marcos Manuel Salgado

Master's Program Advisor

Holly Henry

Doctoral (Program)

Pablo Guzman Lizardo

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Valuing Peace: The Effects of Financial Market Exposure on Votes and Political Attitudes** *ECONOMETRICA*
Jha, S., Shayo, M.
2019; 87 (5): 1561–88
- **Trading for peace** *ECONOMIC POLICY*
Jha, S.
2018; 33 (95): 485–+
- **A New Economic History of Colonial India: A Review** *Journal of Economic History*
Jha, S.
2017; 77 (2): 641–643
- **Financial Market Exposure Raises Support for Peace** *The Political Economist*
Jha, S., Shayo, M.
2016; Spring
- **FINANCIAL ASSET HOLDINGS AND POLITICAL ATTITUDES: EVIDENCE FROM REVOLUTIONARY ENGLAND** *QUARTERLY JOURNAL OF ECONOMICS*
Jha, S.
2015; 130 (3): 1485–1545
- **'Unfinished business': Historic complementarities, political competition and ethnic violence in Gujarat** *JOURNAL OF ECONOMIC BEHAVIOR & ORGANIZATION*
Jha, S.
2014; 104: 18–36
- **Gandhi's Gift: Lessons for Peaceful Reform from India's Struggle for Democracy** *Economics of Peace and Security Journal*
Bhavnani, R., Jha, S.
2014; 9 (1): 80–92
- **Trade, Institutions, and Ethnic Tolerance: Evidence from South Asia** *AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE REVIEW*
Jha, S.
2013; 107 (4): 806–832
- **Analyzing Political Risk in Developing Countries: A Practical Framework for Project Managers** *Business and Politics*
Jha, S.

2013; 15 (1): 117-136

- **Can Financial Innovations Mitigate Ethnic and Civil Conflict?** *World Financial Review*
Jha, S.
2013
- **Who has voice in a deliberative democracy? Evidence from transcripts of village parliaments in south India** *JOURNAL OF DEVELOPMENT ECONOMICS*
Ban, R., Jha, S., Rao, V.
2012; 99 (2): 428-438
- **Does Combat Experience Foster Organizational Skill? Evidence from Ethnic Cleansing during the Partition of South Asia** *AMERICAN POLITICAL SCIENCE REVIEW*
Jha, S., Wilkinson, S.
2012; 106 (4): 883-907
- **Sharing the Future: Financial Innovations and Innovators in Solving the Political Economy Challenges of Development** *Proceedings of the 16th World Congress of the International Economic Association*
Jha, S.
2012
- **The administrative foundations of self-enforcing constitutions** *120th Annual Meeting of the American-Economic-Association*
Gonzalez de Lara, Y., Greif, A., Jha, S.
AMER ECONOMIC ASSOC.2008: 105-9
- **Governance in the gullies: Democratic responsiveness and leadership in Delhi's slums** *WORLD DEVELOPMENT*
Jha, S., Rao, V., Woolcock, M.
2007; 35 (2): 230-246
- **Maintaining Peace across Ethnic Lines: New Lessons from the Past** *Economics of Peace and Security Journal*
Jha, S.
2007; 2 (2): 89-93