Dr. Monica Bhatt Joins Education Analytics Board of Directors

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[MADISON, April 26, 2024] – Education Analytics, a leading education non-profit dedicated to cutting-edge and innovative research and technology solutions, is thrilled to announce the appointment of Dr. Monica Bhatt to its Board of Directors. Education Analytics’ Board members serve three-year terms and provide strategic guidance and oversight for the organization.

Dr. Bhatt serves as the Senior Research Director for the University of Chicago Crime Lab and Education Lab. In this capacity, she has led groundbreaking research initiatives aimed at addressing critical issues in education and youth development.

As the principal investigator on many applied research studies, Dr. Bhatt has led research on high-dosage tutoring, mental health intervention for young women, and initiatives to reduce gun violence among at-risk populations. Her leadership in the Personalized Learning Initiative, a large-scale randomized controlled trial involving more than 16,000 students, underscores her commitment to understanding how to equitably scale the benefits of educational interventions.

“I am delighted to welcome Monica as our newest Board member,” says Andrew Rice, CEO of Education Analytics. “Monica’s passion for education and her expertise in high-impact research aligns with our mission to revolutionize the education system through research and technology. Her experience will help guide us as we aim to advance the educational landscape across the country.”

Dr. Bhatt’s extensive research contributions have been published in prestigious academic journals such as The Quarterly Journal of Economics, the American Economic Review, and Science. Additionally, her work has garnered recognition from prominent media outlets including The New York Times, National Public Radio, and the Chicago Tribune.

“On behalf of the Board, I am thrilled to welcome Monica as our newest member who will be a valuable addition for our organization,” says Dr. Richard Bowman, President of the Board of Directors and Chief Information and Strategy Officer, Albuquerque Public Schools. “Monica brings a unique perspective that spans education policy, practice, and applied research, and
she is dedicated to the mission of improving educational performance and attainment for young people.”
Prior to her tenure at the University of Chicago, Dr. Bhatt worked as a researcher at the American Institutes for Research, where she led projects spanning college access and retention, teacher quality, school finance, and accountability policy.

“I have dedicated my career to understanding how research and data can improve equity and excellence in public schools,” says Dr. Bhatt. “Education Analytics is an incredible example of an organization that pairs the rigor of research-based analytics with school-based solutions to get better, faster. I am thrilled to join the Board and help usher Education Analytics into its next phase of innovation, growth, and impact.”

Dr. Bhatt is a former Fulbright Scholar and holds a Ph.D. in Education Policy from the University of Michigan, as well as an M.P.P. and B.A. in Public Policy from Vanderbilt University.

About Education Analytics

Since its founding as a non-profit in 2013, Education Analytics has partnered with more than 300 districts and more than 25 states to conduct research and develop rigorous analytics that support actionable solutions and drive continuous improvement in American education. Education Analytics works with the largest education systems in the country, small districts brought together by regional offices of education and collaboratives, state departments of education, leading research institutions and universities, charter management organizations, and fellow non-profit organizations.