

## **Surbhi Maheshwari**

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Hi. I am Surbhi. I was born in a small town called Sardarshahar (close to Bikaner) in Rajasthan and studied there till 5th standard. I then moved to Bhilwara (close to Udaipur) to live with my aunt (bhua) for 6th to 10th standard and went to Kota for 11th and 12th standard. After 12th standard, I joined IIT Madras where I studied Electrical Engineering (Integrated BTech+MTech) and graduated in 2011. After graduation, I joined Procter & Gamble as an engineering manager and spent next 3.5 years working on Vicks and OralB in different parts of India and the US. While working at Procter & Gamble was highly rewarding in multiple ways, I wanted to do something more hands-on and closer to the ground. So in 2015, I spent 3 months working with a non-profit organization focused on advising MPs and MLAs on different intervention programs. Right after that, I started working on a rural electrification project being led by Ministry of Power and IIT Madras. Most recently, I spent two years at Stanford pursuing and MBA degree. I graduated in June 2018 and joined Google as a Product Manager in August 2018. I currently live in Bay Area (California) with my husband.

I enjoy reading books, cooking simple Indian food and outdoor activities like hiking and camping.

My interest in counseling and coaching started as an undergraduate at IIT Madras. I was inspired by the help my seniors gave me. Slowly I got involved with those activities and I finally led a official group called Guidance and Counseling Unit. While working at P&G, I pursued a MA in Psychology from IGNOU and counseled young students in Delhi. At Stanford, I focused on further developing my coaching and mentoring skills and coached nine first year MBA students during my second year. Informally, I help out my younger cousins whenever needed. I heard about FEA a few months ago from Deepak sir and was excited to know about the mentoring program. I look forward to talking to all of you, to help you and to learn from you.