

SAKSHI SATPATHY

Student at UC Berkeley, anti-trafficking activist and documentary film maker

Sakshi earned Girl Scouts' highest award, the Gold Award, with a project highlighting global issues of human trafficking and child marriage. She was also one of the ten girls in the nation to be recognized by the Girl Scouts of the USA as a 2018 National Gold Award Girl Scout, celebrated in a ceremony at the United Nations. For her Gold Award, Sakshi worked with Amnesty International and Girls Learn International, and designed, created, and distributed documentary films, a training curriculum, a website, and a YouTube playlist to engage and educate audiences on these topics. The materials address root causes, statistics, misconceptions, warning signs, and community actions to stop trafficking and child marriage. Sakshi also wrote an extensive curriculum, "Guidelines to Rehabilitate Young Trafficked Girls," a tool for activist organizations to set up vocational training programs for girls who are at risk of being trafficked or were previously trafficked. She also presented her project materials at the United Nations' 62nd Commission on the Status of Women, with ambassadors, activists, and survivors. Sakshi is currently a student at UC Berkeley intending on a double major in Computer Science and Economics.