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#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# Young Lives - Study of Childhood Poverty; Quantitative Research Analyst 2020 - present Directly involved in the development of four COVID-19 phone surveys (from survey design to analysis) in four low- and middle-income countries Analysed data, and co-authored multiple policy reports and academic papers, investigating the multidimensional effects of COVID-19 on young adults Presented my work at numerous international academic and policy conferences Periods For Hope - Non-profit; Co-founder (<a href="https://periodsforhope.org">https://periodsforhope.org</a>) 2016-present Co-founded a non-profit organisation that aims to empower learners through reusable sanitary pad provision and sexual health workshops focused on menstruation, self-esteem, and gender-based violence Raised over R200,000 via crowdfunding to provide re-usable sanitary pads to women and schoolgirls in South Africa Run 10+ workshops to over 300 high-school boys focusing on menstruation and gender-based violence Vivid Economics – Economic Consulting Firm; Analyst Internship (2 months) 2020 Co-authored a report on the value of the planning systems in the UK Researched, and helped inform reports on, the recovery plan of the Moroccan textile and apparel industry in light of COVID-19 **EDUCATION AND CERTIFICATES** MSc in Economics for Development, University of Oxford 2019-2020 Degree with distinction, and distinction in dissertation Thesis: "Child Multidimensional Poverty: Construction of an Internationally Comparable Index and Evaluation of a Conditional Cash Transfer in Pakistan" Bachelor of Business Science in Economics and Finance, University of Cape Town 2015-2018 Distinction in Economics, Finance, and degree with distinction Second in Economics Honours year out of roughly 110 students Thesis: "Reconciling Income and Asset Inequality in South Africa" Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA) Level I 2016 Passed in top 10 percent globally PRIZES AND AWARDS George Webb Medley prize (second-best overall performance in master's 2020 programme, University of Oxford)

Thembi Losi Memorial Prize (best long paper with a developmental theme in

National Research Foundation Scholarship (University of Cape Town)

Commerce Faculty Scholarship (University of Cape Town)

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

# Peer-reviewed journal articles

South Africa, University of Cape Town)

Young Lives, interrupted: Short-term effects of the COVID-19 pandemic on adolescents in low- and middle-income countries (with Marta Favara, Catherine Porter, Douglas Scott and Alan Sánchez), *Journal of Development Studies*, 2022. https://doi.org/10.1080/00220388.2022.2029421

### Working papers

Unpacking the Post-lockdown Employment Recovery of Young Women in the Global South (with Marta Favara, Catherine Porter, Douglas Scott and Alan Sánchez). *IZA Discussion Paper Series*, No. 14829.

The Mental Cost of Job Loss: Assessing the Impact on Young Adults in Vietnam (with Marta Favara, Catherine Porter, Douglas Scott and Duc Le Thuc). *IZA Discussion Paper Series*, No. 15522.

Social Protection and Foundational Cognitive Skills During Adolescence: Evidence from a Large Public Works Programme (with Marta Favara, Catherine Porter, and Jere Behrman). PIER Working Paper, 22-022; IZA Discussion Paper Series, No. 15551.

# Policy briefs

Two Years of COVID-19 is Threatening Progress Towards the Sustainable Development Goals: Emerging Policy Recommendations to Support Young People in Developing Countries (with Katherine Ford). *Young Lives Policy Brief 52*.

Protecting the Most Vulnerable People in Vietnam from Climate Shocks: Exposure to Flooding and Crop Failures has Unequal Impact on Children's Development and Learning (with Katherine Ford). *Young Lives Policy Brief 54*.

Young Lives Under Pressure: Protecting and Promoting Young People's Mental Health at a Time of Global Crises (with Katherine Ford). *Young Lives Policy Brief 55*.

## **CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**

2020: Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative Seminar Series; Oxford Forum for International Development Conference

2021: UNICEF Mozambique National Forum on Children; UNICEF Innocenti Office of Research Seminar Series; UNDP Youth Seminar; UNU-WIDER Development Conference; 12th IAAH World Congress on Adolescent Health

2022: German Development Economics Conference; Southern Africa Labour and Development Research Unit Seminar Series; LACEA LAMES annual meeting; ISSER-CSAE workshop

#### SKILLS AND INTERESTS

Languages: English (native); isiXhosa (basic)

Writing: I write as an Opinionista for the Daily Maverick

IT: Proficient in STATA; intermediate in R and Excel

Music and Sport: Royal Schools Grade 8 in cello; played for Oxford Men's Blues Futsal team