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EDUCATION

Duke University <i>Ph.D. in Public Policy (Economics concentration)</i>	Aug 2024- <i>Durham, North Carolina</i>
Ahsanullah University of Science and Technology (no degree awarded) <i>M.Sc in Mathematics</i>	May 2022-May 2023 <i>Dhaka, Bangladesh</i>
East West University, Bangladesh <i>Master of Social Science in Economics</i>	Feb 2021- Sept 2022 <i>Dhaka, Bangladesh</i>
Institute of Business Administration, University of Dhaka <i>Bachelor of Business Administration</i>	Feb 2017-Dec 2020 <i>Dhaka, Bangladesh</i>

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Duke University <i>PUBPOL 303.01; Head Teaching Assistant</i>	August 2025- Present <i>Durham, North Carolina</i>
· Coordinated a team of 4 TAs, maintained Canvas site, prepared for and led weekly discussion sections	

RESEARCH

Publications

- Income and Consumption in Bangladesh- An Analysis of the Permanent Income Hypothesis, *Bangladesh Students' Digest on Economics and Development*, 2021 [\[Paper\]](#)
- Estimating COVID-19 Economic Vulnerability from Outer Space : A District Level Analysis for Bangladesh-with Syed Rafsan Ali, Syed Basher, Asia Pacific Journal of Regional Science, 2023 [\[Paper\]](#)

Working papers

- Estimation of District-Level GDP using Nightlights: The Case of Bangladesh (Masters thesis) with Salim Rashid, Syed Basher, Mohammad Riad Uddin, 2023 [\[Paper\]](#) [\[Slides\]](#) [\[Under Review\]](#)
- Defining A Startup- A Critical Analysis [\[Paper\]](#)

Work in progress

- Leaving Out The Elderly: Mistargeting in Bangladesh's Old Age Allowance (OAA) Program

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Duke University <i>Graduate Research Assistant of Lisa Gennetian</i>	January 2026- Present <i>Durham, North Carolina</i>
Yale Research Initiative on Innovation and Scale (Y-RISE) <i>Research Coordinator</i>	November 2023- June 2024 <i>Dhaka, Bangladesh</i>
The World Bank <i>Research Associate</i>	July 2021- June 2024 <i>Dhaka, Bangladesh</i>
Yale Research Initiative on Innovation and Scale (Y-RISE) <i>Field Research Associate</i>	March 2023- June 2023 <i>Dhaka, Bangladesh</i>
University of Konstanz <i>Research Consultant</i>	March 2022-June 2022 <i>Remote, Germany</i>

POLICY WORK

- Cox's Bazar Panel Survey Round 2: A Survey of The Displaced Rohingya Population and Their Host Communities
- Demographic and Skills of The Displaced Rohingya Population and Host Communities
- An Update on Living Conditions and Asset Ownership For the Host and Rohingya Populations
- Malnutrition Outcomes For the Displaced Rohingya and Host Community Children
- The Displaced Rohingya Population: Intention to Return to Myanmar
- The Fiscal Cost of Hosting the Displaced Rohingya Populations
- Six Years of Displacement: The Well-being of the Displaced Rohingya Populations and Their Hosts in Bangladesh

PRESENTATIONS

- **2025:** Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM), Southern Economic Association (SEA), Southeast Asia Research Group (SEAREG), Dhaka Winter Conference in Economics
- **2023:** Himalayan Policy Research Consortium 3rd Graduate Student Research Panel [\[Slides\]](#), IGC Research and Policy Conference [\[Slides\]](#), Fourth SANEM-World Bank North America Discussion Forum 2023 [\[Slides\]](#)
- **2022:** East West Economics Research Conclave [\[Slides\]](#)
East West University Brown Bag Seminar [\[Slides\]](#)
4th Bangladesh Economics Summit [\[Slides\]](#)
- **2021:** International Conference on Business and Management

HONORS AND AWARDS

Duke University Fellowship (2024-2029)
Dean's Honor List-Master of Social Science in Economics, East West University
Country Highest in Business Studies-A-levels, Pearson Edexcel

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

Survey Programming	SurveyCTO, KoboToolBox
Statistical Analysis	Stata, R
Visualization	Tableau, Google Data Studio
Database	MySQL
Typesetting	L ^A T _E X

REFERENCES

Lisa Gennetian Professor Sanford School of Public Policy Duke University lisa.gennetian@duke.edu	Syed Basher Professor of Economics East West University syed.basher@ewubd.edu	Paula López-Peña Assistant Professor of Business Economics Smith School of Business Queen's University & Yale University Y-RISE paula.lopezpena@queensu.ca
	Alvin Etang Ndip Senior Economist The World Bank aetangndip@worldbank.org	