


I am an **Assistant Professor in Statistics** at *Universiti Brunei Darussalam* (UBD). My expertise lie in statistical methodology and computation, with interdisciplinary applications in the natural and social sciences.

I am passionate about bringing data and technology to the forefront of our daily interaction with the world. Using the R programming language, I build statistical models to analyse data to gain insights, make predictions, and aid decision-making. I also frequently conduct data analytics consultation.

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Research Interests

Latent variable models	Structural equation models
Binary and multinomial probit models	Truncated normal distribution
Bayesian estimation	EM algorithms
Variational inference	

Education

2014 — 2018	PhD in Statistics , London School of Economics and Political Science Supervisors: Wicher Bergsma ¹ and Irini Moustaki ² Thesis: <i>Regression modelling using priors depending on Fisher information covariance kernels (I-priors)</i> ³
2013 — 2014	MSc in Statistics (distinction) , London School of Economics and Political Science
2006 — 2010	BSc & Master in Mathematics, Operational Research, Statistics and Economics (first class honours) , University of Warwick Supervisor: David Firth ⁴ Dissertation: <i>The analysis of paired comparison data using Bradley-Terry models with applications to football data</i>

Awards & honours

2020	Arnold Zellner Thesis Award in Econometrics and Statistics (honourable mention) ⁵ , American Statistical Association (Business and Economic Statistics Section)
2013 — 2018	In-Service Training Scheme Scholarship , Public Service Commission, Prime Minister's Office, Brunei
2006 — 2010	Supreme Commander of The Royal Brunei Armed Forces Scholarship ⁶ , Ministry of Defence, Brunei
2006	Anugerah Penuntut Terbaik Tahun 2005 (Best Student Award 2005) , Persatuan Guru-Guru Melayu Brunei (PGGMB)

Experience

2019 — present

Assistant Professor in Statistics

Mathematical Sciences, Faculty of Science, *Universiti Brunei Darussalam*⁷

My teaching duties include SM-1402 Basic Statistics, CU-0304 Sciences for University Study, SM-4331 Advanced Statistics, SM-2401 Geometry, and SR-5101 Advanced Research Skills. I also have final-year mathematics project students whom I supervise. In addition to my teaching duties, I am one of the Discovery Year⁸ advisors (2019-21).

2014 — 2018

Graduate Teaching Assistant

Department of Statistics, London School of Economics and Political Science⁹

I held various teaching roles ranging from secondary teaching to marking for masters (ST416 Multilevel Modelling, ST421 Development in Statistical Methods) and undergraduate level courses (ST312 Applied Statistics Project) at the LSE. In addition, I also held assistant invigilator and examiner roles for both the LSE and the University of London International Examinations respectively.

2010 — 2019

Research Officer

Centre for Science and Technology, Research and Development (CSTRAD), Ministry of Defence, Brunei¹⁰

I provided analytical insight into matters arising from the development and activities of strategic procurement projects for the Royal Brunei Armed Forces (RBAF). This entailed market research, cost-benefit analyses, and writing technical reports. I was a project team member for the procurement and delivery of 12 Sikorsky S-70i helicopters¹¹ (US\$325M), and also the focal point for the development of tender evaluation criteria using the Analytic Hierarchy Process.

Service

2020 — present

Ad-hoc Reviewer

Annals of Applied Statistics¹²

2020 — present

Review Editor

Frontiers in Applied Mathematics and Statistics¹³

2020

Guest Lecturer

Universiti Teknologi Brunei¹⁴

2014 — 2015

MSc Programme Facebook Administrator

Department of Statistics, London School of Economics and Political Science

Acted as student liaison for incoming students for the MSc Statistics programme 2015/16.

2013 — 2015

Auditor

Brunei Down's Syndrom Association (ABLE: Ability Built through Learning and Experience)¹⁵

Consultancy

2017 — 2018

Data Analyst and Consultant

Universiti Brunei Darussalam

Project: The unmet needs of cancer carers in Brunei Darussalam.

2021

Data Analytics Consultant

Ministry of Defence, Brunei

Project: Human performance research

Grants and funding

- 2021 — 2022 **Extension of I-prior methodology to nominal response models** (~BND 7,000), Faculty of Science Research Grant, *Universiti Brunei Darussalam*.
Role: *Principal Investigator*
- 2021 — 2023 **Examining spillover effects in regional trading blocs** (~BND 17,000), School of Business and Economics Research Grant, *Universiti Brunei Darussalam*.
Role: *Member*
- 2021 — 2024 **Mathematical Modeling of Genetic Assimilation** (~BND 8,000), Faculty of Science Research Grant, *Universiti Brunei Darussalam*.
Role: *Co-Principal Investigator*

Publications

Articles (peer-reviewed)

- 2021 A5 **Advocating Blended Learning for University Undergraduate Level Mathematical Instruction Beyond Covid-19**
H. Jamil, H. M. Ramli, E. Leong
In: Engineering and Sciences Teaching and Learning Activities: New Systems Throughout COVID-19 Pandemics, pp. 33-45. Ed. by Samsul Ariffin Abdul Karim and Saiful Azmi Hussain. Studies in Systems, Decision and Control, vol 381. Cham: Springer. ISBN: 978-3-030-79613-6.
- A4 **Pairwise likelihood estimation for confirmatory factor analysis models with categorical variables and data that are missing at random**
M. Katsikatsou, I. Moustaki, H. Jamil
British Journal of Mathematical and Statistical Psychology. DOI: 10.1111/bmsp.12243.
- A3 **Latent Class Analysis: Insights about design and analysis of schistosomiasis diagnostic studies**
A. Koukounari, H. Jamil, E. Erosheva, C. Shiff, I. Moustaki
PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases. 15(2):e0009042.
- 2020 A2 **Bayesian Variable Selection for Linear Models Using I-Priors**
H. Jamil, W. Bergsma
In: Theoretical, Modelling and Numerical Simulations Toward Industry 4.0, pp. 107–132. Ed. by Samsul Ariffin Abdul Karim. Studies in Systems, Decision and Control, vol 319. Singapore: Springer. ISBN: 978-981-15-8986-7.
- 2018 A1 **Regression modelling using priors depending on Fisher information covariance kernels (I-priors)**
H. Jamil
PhD Thesis. London School of Economics and Political Science.
🏆 **Arnold Zellner award, honourable mention (top 3)**

Working papers (preprints and unpublished reports)

- 2021 W8 **I think I understand: Investigating misconceptions regarding hypothesis test concepts among university students**
A. Zaini, H. Jamil, E. Leong

2020	W7	Increase in iron and manganese due to reducing conditions at a tropical catchment in South East Asia S. Gödeke, <i>H. Jamil</i> , M. Schirmer, A. Bretzler, N. Shamsuddin, N. H. Mansor
	W5	Factors Affecting Readmission to the Drug Rehabilitation Centre in Brunei Darussalam F. Jali, E. Leong, <i>H. Jamil</i>
	W6	Regression modelling with I-priors: With applications to functional, multilevel and longitudinal data W. Bergsma, <i>H. Jamil</i> arXiv:2007.15766 [math, stat].
	W4	Investigating the effect of load carriage on soldiers' performances using Bayesian structural equation models <i>H. Jamil</i> , A. Salleh, L. Thieng Chan
2019	W3	iprior: An R Package for Regression Modelling using I-priors <i>H. Jamil</i> , W. Bergsma arXiv:1912.01376 [stat].
2017	W2	Discussion contribution W. Bergsma, <i>H. Jamil</i> TI Cannings, RJ Samworth (2017). Random-projection ensemble classification. JRSSB, 79.4, pp. 959-1035.
2010	W1	Analysis of paired comparison data using Bradley-Terry models with applications to football data <i>H. Jamil</i> Masters Thesis. University of Warwick.

Software

2021	S3	iprior: Regression Modelling using I-priors <i>H. Jamil</i> R package version 0.7.1
	S1	iprobit: Binary and Multinomial Probit Regression with I-priors <i>H. Jamil</i> R package version 0.0.1
	S2	ipriorBVS: Bayesian Variable Selection using I-priors <i>H. Jamil</i> R package version 0.1.0

Research dissemination

Posters and short presentations

2018	P3	Inaugural Workshop on Data Science Theory and Practice , LSE, London, UK Binary and Multinomial Regression using Fisher Information Covariance Kernels (I-priors)
2017	P2	Turing Data Study Group , The Alan Turing Institute, London, UK Can data science help identify potential drivers of extremism?
	P1	International Meeting of the Psychometric Society (IMPS) , University of Zürich, Switzerland Regression Modelling with I-Priors

Talks


Further information for the following talks are available at <https://haziqj.ml/talk>

2020	T10	IADA Seminar , UBD, Brunei A latent variable model for maximal performance testing with dropouts for military applications
	T09	Social Statistics Group Meetings , LSE, London, UK Investigating the effect of load carriage on soldiers' performances using structural equation models
2019	T08	UBDSBE Seminar Invitation , UBD, Brunei Bayesian Variable Selection for Linear Models
	T07	CSTRAD Sharing Session , Ministry of Defence, Brunei Misconceptions in Demography
2018	T06	FOS Research Seminar , UBD, Brunei A Brief Guide to Variational Inference
	T05	Social Statistics Group Meetings , LSE, London, UK A Beginner's Guide to Variational Inference
2017	T04	Department of Statistics PhD Presentation Event , LSE, London, UK Binary probit regression with I-priors
2016	T03	Social Statistics Group Meetings , LSE, London, UK I-priors in Bayesian Variable Selection: From Reproducing Kernel Hilbert Spaces to Hamiltonian Monte Carlo
2015	T02	Postgraduate Research Seminar , LSE, London, UK Two-stage Bayesian variable selection for linear models using I-priors
	T01	Department of Statistics PhD Presentation Event , LSE, London, UK Regression Modelling using I-priors

Skills

 **Programming, data analysis and visualisation** using R, BUGS/JAGS, Stan, Stata, Mplus, and Mathematica

 **Reproducible research** using R Markdown, LaTeX, Git and AWS EC2

 **Web development** using HTML, Hugo, Jekyll, GitHub Pages and Netlify

Links

1. [http://stats.lse.ac.uk/bergsma/↵](http://stats.lse.ac.uk/bergsma/)
2. [http://stats.lse.ac.uk/moustaki/↵](http://stats.lse.ac.uk/moustaki/)
3. [https://phd.haziqj.ml/↵](https://phd.haziqj.ml/)
4. [http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/statistics/staff/academic-research/firth/↵](http://www2.warwick.ac.uk/fac/sci/statistics/staff/academic-research/firth/)
5. [https://community.amstat.org/businessandeconomicstatisticssection/new-item/new-item2↵](https://community.amstat.org/businessandeconomicstatisticssection/new-item/new-item2)
6. [https://scholarship.mindef.gov.bn/Theme/Home.aspx↵](https://scholarship.mindef.gov.bn/Theme/Home.aspx)
7. [http://fos.ubd.edu.bn/↵](http://fos.ubd.edu.bn/)
8. [https://ubd.edu.bn/admission/discovery-year.html↵](https://ubd.edu.bn/admission/discovery-year.html)
9. [http://lse.ac.uk/Statistics/↵](http://lse.ac.uk/Statistics/)
10. [https://www2.mindef.gov.bn/cstrad/↵](https://www2.mindef.gov.bn/cstrad/)
11. [https://news.lockheedmartin.com/2011-12-13-Sikorsky-Signs-with-Brunei-Ministry-of-Defence-for-Sale-of-S-70iTM-BLACK-HAWK-Helicopters↵](https://news.lockheedmartin.com/2011-12-13-Sikorsky-Signs-with-Brunei-Ministry-of-Defence-for-Sale-of-S-70iTM-BLACK-HAWK-Helicopters)
12. [https://imstat.org/journals-and-publications/annals-of-applied-statistics/↵](https://imstat.org/journals-and-publications/annals-of-applied-statistics/)
13. [https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/applied-mathematics-and-statistics/↵](https://www.frontiersin.org/journals/applied-mathematics-and-statistics/)
14. [http://www.utb.edu.bn/↵](http://www.utb.edu.bn/)
15. [https://www.instagram.com/ablebrunei/?hl=en↵](https://www.instagram.com/ablebrunei/?hl=en)