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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Brac Institute of Governance and Institution, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Research Fellow

September 2020-present

Consultant (Research Fellow), Brac USA

April 2020-August 2020

EDUCATION

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA

Ph.D. student, Department of Applied Economics

2016-present

Research Fields: Applied Microeconomics, Development Economics,
and Labor Economics

Master of Public Policy, Humphrey School of Public Affairs

2016

University of Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Master of Social Science, Department of Development Studies

2013

Bachelor of Social Science, Department of Development Studies

2012

RESEARCH OUTPUTS

Working Papers

- [1] “Remitting Religiosity: Evidence of International Migrants Changing Norms in Their Home Country” July 2020. (*Revise and Resubmit, Journal of Population Economics*)
- [2] “How do Small Formal and Informal Firms in Egypt Compare? An Analysis of Firm Characteristics and Implications for Formalization Efforts” with *Caroline Krafft, Ragui Assaad, & Maakwe Cumanzala*. October 2020. Policy Research Working Paper; No. 9423. Washington, D.C. : World Bank Group.
- [3] “Introducing the Egypt Labor Market Panel Survey 2018” with *Caroline Krafft & Ragui Assaad*. October 2019. Working Paper No. 1360. The Economic Research Forum, Cairo, Egypt.
- [4] “Can Soil Test Results Influence Farmers to Use Fertilizer Efficiently? Experimental Evidence from Bangladesh” with *Sabrin Beg & Mahnaz Islam*. June 2020

Work in Progress

- [1] “Targeted Teaching to Improve Learning in Secondary School” with *Sabrin Beg, Anne Fitzpatrick, Jason Kerwin, & Adrienne Lucas*
- [2] “Using Quality and Branding Information to Improve Revenue of Grape Producers in China” with *Kenn Chua, Qingxiao Li, & Xiaoli Yang*
- [3] “Technology Based Schooling” with *Paul Glewwe, Zhigang Li, Prashant Loyalka, & Uttam Sharma*
- [4] “The Welfare Consequences of Employer Responses to COVID-19” with *Laura Boudreau & Rachel Heath*

Non-economic Publications

- [1] “State Forestry and Community Alienation in the Chittagong Hill Tracts” with *Niaz Ahmed Khan & Sanjana Tehjib*. In *Life in Peace and Conflict: Indigeneity and State in the Chittagong Hill Tracts*. 2017. New Delhi: Orient BlackSwan.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA

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| Graduate Research Assistant for Professor Ragui Assaad
<i>I perform analysis on the labor market and demography of Egypt using labor force surveys, labor market panel surveys, and population and establishment censuses.</i> | May 2018-May 2020 |
| Graduate Research Assistant for Professor Janna Johnson
<i>I worked on census undercount using the US population census and the American Community Survey (ACS).</i> | August 2015-May 2016 |

Swisscontact, South Asia Regional Office, Dhaka, Bangladesh

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| Research Associate
<i>I worked on an exploratory research, funded by the UKAID, to identify the scopes, opportunities, and threats to commercializing agriculture of Bangladesh. I designed and conducted the surveys, analyzed the data, and co-authored the final report.</i> | June 2017-August 2017 |
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International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Dhaka, Bangladesh

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| Intern for Policy Research and Strategic Support Program (PRSSP)
<i>I performed the primary analysis of the second wave of Bangladesh Integrated Household Survey (BIHS).</i> | May 2015–August 2015 |
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International Finance Corporation (IFC), World Bank Group, Dhaka, Bangladesh

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| Short Term Temporary
<i>I did a cost-benefit analysis of bio-gas plants in poultry and dairy firms funded by IFC.</i> | September 2013–June 2014 |
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TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA

Instructor

PA 5521 Development Planning & Policy Analysis

Spring 2018

Teaching Assistant

APEC 5031 Methods of Economic Data Analysis

Fall 2018

(*Instructor*: Steve Miller)

APEC 3001 Applied Microeconomics: Consumers, Producers, and Markets (*Instructor*: Jason Kerwin)

Fall 2017

PA 5521 Development Planning & Policy Analysis (*Instructor*: Ragui Asaad)

Spring 2016

PA 5021 Economics for Policy Analysis and Planning I (*Instructor*: Audrey Dorelien)

Fall 2015

CERTIFICATES & WORKSHOPS

2019 Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Program, University of Minnesota; Becker Friedman Summer School in Price Theory, University of Chicago

SEMINAR & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2020 Canadian Economics Association Conference (*Canceled due to COVID-19*); Western Economics Association International Conference (*In-person conference canceled due to COVID-19*)

2019 Midwest International Development Economics Conference; IUSSP Research Conference on Population, Poverty and Inequality; Applied Economics Students' Seminar Series

2018 Trade and Development Seminar, Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota; Midwest International Development Economics Conference

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

Center for International Food and Agriculture Policy Fellowship

Spring 2020, Spring 2019

Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota
Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.

G. Edward Schuh Fellowship

Fall 2019

Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota
Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.

Applied Economics Graduate Program Fellowship

2016-2017

Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota
Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS (cont.)

Freeman Stassen Award for International Activities Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.	2016
Hubert H. Humphrey-UK Commonwealth Dean's Scholarship Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.	2014-2016
Bangladesh Bank Governor's Scholarship Department of Development Studies, University of Dhaka Dhaka, Bangladesh.	2010, 2011

GRANTS

J-PAL Post-Primary Education Initiative (\$39,893)	2020
CIFAP Travel Grant (\$900)	2019
Applied Economics Travel Grant (\$800)	2019
J-PAL Post-Primary Education Initiative (\$50,000)	2018

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee for *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*

PROFESSIONAL Membership

American Economic Association; Agricultural & Applied Economics Association

SOFTWARE SKILLS

STATA (advanced), R (basic), L^AT_EX (advanced)

LANGUAGES

Bangla (*native*); English (*fluent*)

CITIZENSHIP

Bangladesh