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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2022–present Postdoctoral Researcher, Oxford Martin School, University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom
- 2022–present Visiting Research Fellow, BRAC Institute of Governance and Development, BRAC University, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2020–2021 Research Fellow, BRAC Institute of Governance and Development, BRAC University, Dhaka, Bangladesh

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- 2022–present College Advisor, St Antony's College, University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom
- 2022–present Non-Resident Fellow, Centre for Development Economics and Sustainability, Monash University, Melbourne, Australia
- 2021–present Research Fellow, Global Labor Organization

## EDUCATION

- 2021 Ph.D., Applied Economics, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, MN, USA
- 2016 Master of Public Policy, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, MN, USA
- 2013 Master of Social Science, Development Studies, University of Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2012 Bachelor of Social Science, Development Studies, University of Dhaka, Dhaka, Bangladesh

## RESEARCH OUTPUTS

### *Publications*

- [1] "International Migration and Religious Schooling of Children in the Home Country: Evidence from Bangladesh" July 2022. (*Forthcoming, Journal of Population Economics*)
- [2] "Introducing the Egypt Labor Market Panel Survey 2018," with Caroline Krafft & Ragui Assaad. 2021. *IZA Journal of Development and Migration*, 12(1): 1-40. <https://doi.org/10.2478/izajodm-2021-0012>

### **Working Papers**

- [1] "Information and Behavior: Evidence from Fertilizer Quantity Recommendations in Bangladesh," with Sabrin Beg & Mahnaz Islam. April, 2022. (*Revise and Resubmit, Journal of Development 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. (*Revise and Resubmit, Review of Development Economics*)
- [3] "Labor Market Participation and Aspiration of Madrasa Graduates," with Md Shakil Ahmed, Raied Arman, Marjan Hossain, & Nuzaba Tahreen Rahman (*Revise and Resubmit, International Journal of Education and Development*)
- [4] "The Effect of Public Handwashing Stations, Awareness Campaigns, and Behavior Change Interventions Health Behavior and Outcomes During the COVID-19 Pandemic," with Sonia Afrin, Narayan Das, Rafia Nisat, Dilhan Perera, & Atiya Rahman (*Under Review*)
- [5] "Microfinance and Food Security during COVID-19 Pandemic," with Raied Arman, Narayan Das, Sakib Mahmud, & Semab Rahman (*Under Review*)
- [6] "Survey Ordering and the Measurement of Welfare," with Jeffrey R. Bloem & Marc F. Bellemare

### **Works in Progress**

- [1] "Teacher Flexibility and School Productivity: Evidence from a Remedial Education Program in India," with Sabrin Beg, Anne Fitzpatrick, Jason Kerwin, & Adrienne Lucas  
- Media coverage: [Millennium Post](#)
- [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] "Digital Finance, Transaction Costs, and Women's Economic Empowerment: Experimental Evidence from Bangladesh," with Jeffrey R. Bloem
- [5] "Not in Education, Employment, or Training (NEET) Male Youth in Bangladesh," with Syed Rashed Al-Zayed Josh & Shwetlena Sabarwal
- [6] "Addressing Learning Loss/Gap Using Low-tech Remote Learning among Underprivileged in Developing Countries: The Bangladesh Case," with Paul Glewwe, Asad Islam, & Shwetlena Sabarwal
- [7] "Disability Inclusive Education Program in Bangladesh," with Ricardo Sabates Aysa, Narayan Das, & Nidhi Singal
- [8] "Validation of Phone-based ASER," with Marjan Hossain
- [9] "Training Fish Farmers through Facebook," with Munshi Sulaiman, Marzuk Hossain, & Tahmid Bin Mahmud

### ***Policy Writings/Reports***

- [1] “The State of Learning in Bangladesh: A Pilot Study” with *Marjan Hossain*. 2022. BRAC Institute of Governance and Development (BIGD) Report. Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- [2] “The Impact of COVID-19 on the Education of Primary and Secondary School Children in Bangladesh” with *Marjan Hossain*. 2022. Scoping Paper, BRAC Institute of Governance and Development (BIGD). Dhaka, Bangladesh.
- [3] “Job Creation in Egypt: A Sectoral and Geographical Analysis Focusing on Private Establishments 1996-2017” with *Ragui Assaad, Caroline Krafft, & Irene Selwaness*. 2019. Economic Research Forum Policy Paper. Cairo, Egypt.

### ***Non-Economics 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.

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

2021	Short-Term Consultant, Education SAR, World Bank
2018–2020	Graduate Research Assistant, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, MN, USA
2017	Research Associate, Swisscontact, South Asia Regional Office, Dhaka, Bangladesh
2015–2016	Graduate Research Assistant, University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, MN, USA
2015	Intern, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Dhaka, Bangladesh
2013–2014	Short-Term Temporary, International Finance Corporation

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

### **BRAC University, Dhaka, Bangladesh**

2021	Mathematics Refresher for Master of Development Studies
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### **University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, MN, USA**

2018	Public Affairs 5521 (Master’s: Development Planning & Policy Analysis) Applied Economics 5031 (Master’s: Methods of Economic Data Analysis) Graduate Teaching Assistant for Professor Steve Miller
2017	Applied Economics 3001 (Undergraduate: Intermediate Microeconomics) Graduate Teaching Assistant for Professor Jason Kerwin
2016	Public Affairs 5521 (Master’s: Development Planning & Policy Analysis) Graduate Teaching Assistant for Professor Ragui Assaad
2015	Public Affairs 5021 (Master’s: Intermediate Microeconomics) Graduate Teaching Assistant for Professor Audrey Dorélien

## CERTIFICATES & WORKSHOPS

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

## SEMINAR & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

2023            CSAE Conference

2022            CSAE Lunchtime Workshop, University of Oxford; Economics Brown Bag Seminar, North South University

2021            Western Economics Association International Conference

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

2019, 2020     Center for International Food and Agriculture Policy Fellowship

2019            G. Edward Schuh Fellowship

2016–2017     Applied Economics Graduate Program Fellowship

2016            Freeman Stassen Award for International Activities

2014–2016     Hubert H. Humphrey-UK Commonwealth Dean's Scholarship

2010, 2011     Bangladesh Bank Governor's Scholarship

## GRANTS

2021            BIGD WEE-DiFine Initiative (\$362,817)  
                    - with Jeff Bloem

2020            J-PAL Post-Primary Education Initiative (\$39,893)  
                    - with Sabrin Beg, Anne Fitzpatrick, Jason Kerwin, and Adrienne Lucas

2019            Kusuma Trust UK (£250,000)  
                    - with Sabrin Beg, Anne Fitzpatrick, Jason Kerwin, and Adrienne Lucas

                    CIFAP Travel Grant (\$900)

                    Applied Economics Travel Grant (\$800)

2018            J-PAL Post-Primary Education Initiative (\$50,000)  
                    - with Sabrin Beg, Anne Fitzpatrick, Jason Kerwin, and Adrienne Lucas

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES**

Referee for *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, *Economic Papers*, *PLOS One*

## **MEMBERSHIP**

*American Economic Association; Agricultural & Applied Economics Association*

## **SOFTWARE SKILLS**

STATA (advanced), R (basic), L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X (advanced)

## **LANGUAGES**

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