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# **EDUCATION**

#### University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA

Ph.D. student, Department of Applied Economics	2020
Research Fields: Applied Microeconomics, Development Economics, and Labor Economics	(Expected)
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

#### **WORKING PAPERS**

- [1] "Remitting Religiosity: Evidence of International Migrants Changing Norms in Their Home Country" October 2019. (*Job market paper*)
- [2] "Can Soil Test Results Influence Farmers to Use Fertilizer Efficiently? Experimental Evidence from Bangladesh" with Sabrin Beg & Mahnaz Islam. October 2019
- [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.

# **WORK IN PROGRESS**

- [1] "Targeted Teaching to Improve Learning in Secondary School" with Sabrin Beg, Anne Fitzpatrick, Jason Kerwin & Adrienne Lucas (Field work in progress)
- [2] "Using Quality and Branding Information to Improve Revenue of Grape Producers in China" with Kenn Chua, Qingxiao Li, & Xiaoli Yang

#### NON-ECONOMICS PUBLICATIONS

[1] N. A. Khan, S. Tehjib, **K. W. Rahman** (2017). State Forestry and Community Alienation in the Chittagong Hill Tracts. In *Life in Peace and Conflict: Indigeneity and State in the Chittagong Hill Tracts*. New Delhi: Orient BlackSwan.

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE & OTHER EMPLOYMENT

# University of Minnesota, Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA

Graduate Research Assistant for Professor Ragui Assaad	Summer
I perform analysis on the labor market and demography of Egypt using labor	2018-present
force surveys, labor market panel surveys, and population and establishment	
censuses.	

Graduate Research Assistant for Professor Janna Johnson

I worked on census undercount using the US population census and the American Community Survey (ACS).

Fall 2015-Spring
2016

# Swisscontact, South Asia Regional Office, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Research Associate

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.

June 2017-August
2017
2017

# International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Dhaka, Bangladesh

Intern for Policy Research and Strategic Support Program (PRSSP)

I performed the primary analysis of the second wave of Bangladesh Integrated
Household Survey (BIHS).

May 2015–August
2015

# International Finance Corporation (IFC), World Bank Group, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Short Term Temporary

I did a cost-benefit analysis of bio-gas plants in poultry and dairy firms funded
by IFC.

September 2013–June
2014

# 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 (Instructor: Steve Miller)	Fall 2018
APEC 3001 Applied Microeconomics: Consumers, Producers, and Markets ( <i>Instructor</i> : Jason Kerwin)	Fall 2017
PA 5521 Development Planning & Policy Analysis ( <i>Instructor</i> : Ragui Assaad)	Spring 2016
PA 5021 Economics for Policy Analysis and Planning I ( <i>Instructor</i> : 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**

- 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**

Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.  Applied Economics Graduate Program Fellowship Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.  Freeman Stassen Award for International Activities Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.  Hubert H. Humphrey-UK Commonwealth Dean's Scholarship Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.	Center for International Food and Agriculture Policy Fellowship Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.	Spring 2020, Spring 2019
Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.  Freeman Stassen Award for International Activities Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.  Hubert H. Humphrey-UK Commonwealth Dean's Scholarship Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.  Bangladesh Bank Governor's Scholarship Department of Development Studies, University of Dhaka	Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota	Fall 2019
Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.  Hubert H. Humphrey-UK Commonwealth Dean's Scholarship Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.  Bangladesh Bank Governor's Scholarship Department of Development Studies, University of Dhaka	Department of Applied Economics, University of Minnesota	2016-2017
Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota Twin Cities, Minnesota, USA.  Bangladesh Bank Governor's Scholarship Department of Development Studies, University of Dhaka	Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota	2016
Department of Development Studies, University of Dhaka	Humphrey School of Public Affairs, University of Minnesota	2014-2016
	Department of Development Studies, University of Dhaka	2010, 2011

#### **GRANTS**

J-PAL Post-Primary Education Initiative \$50,000

2018

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee for American Journal of Agricultural Economics

# **SOFTWARE SKILLS**

STATA, R, LATEX

# **LANGUAGES**

Bangla (native); English (fluent)

# **CITIZENSHIP**

Bangladesh; US Visa: F-1

# **DISSERTATION COMMITTEE**

Jason Kerwin (*Primary Advisor*)

**Assistant Professor** 

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