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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- 2022–present Postdoctoral Researcher, Oxford Martin School, University of Oxford, Oxford, United Kingdom
(2023–present) Associate Member, Department of Economics, University of Oxford
- 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] “Information and Behavior: Evidence from Fertilizer Quantity Recommendations in Bangladesh,” with Sabrin Beg & Mahnaz Islam. *Forthcoming, Journal of Development Economics*. January, 2024. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jdeveco.2023.103195> [Working Paper]
- [2] “International Migration and Religious Schooling of Children in the Home Country: Evidence from Bangladesh,” *Journal of Population Economics*, 36, 1963-2005. July 2023. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00148-022-00912-2>
- [3] “Introducing the Egypt Labor Market Panel Survey 2018,” with Caroline Krafft & Ragui Assaad. *IZA Journal of Development and Migration*, 12(12): 1-40. September 2021. <https://doi.org/10.2478/izajodm-2021-0012>

Working Papers

- [1] "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. [\[PDF\]](#) (*Revise and Resubmit, Review of Development Economics*)
- [2] "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*)
- [3] "Microfinance and Food Security during COVID-19 Pandemic," with Raied Arman, Narayan Das, Sakib Mahmud, & Semab Rahman. (*Revise and Resubmit, Journal of Development Studies*)
- [4] "Survey Ordering and the Measurement of Welfare," with Jeffrey R. Bloem & Marc F. Bellemare. [\[PDF\]](#)
- [5] "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.
- [6] "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](#)
- [7] "Using Quality and Branding Information to Improve Revenue of Grape Producers in China," with Kenn Chua, Qingxiao Li, & Xiaoli Yang
- [8] "What I Say Depends on How You Ask: Experimental Evidence of the Effect of Framing on the Measurement of Attitudes," with Jeffrey R. Bloem
- [9] "Education without Formal Schooling through Tablets and Tutors: Evidence from Out-of-School Children in Bangladesh during the COVID-19 Pandemic," with Paul Glewwe, Zhi-gang Li, Prashant Loyalka, & Uttam Sharma
- [10] "Does the Measurement of Learning Level Depend on the Mode of Testing?," with Marjan Hossain

Works in Progress

- [1] "Digital Finance, Transaction Costs, and Women's Economic Empowerment: Experimental Evidence from Bangladesh," with Jeffrey R. Bloem
- [2] "Not in Education, Employment, or Training (NEET) Male Youth in Bangladesh," with Syed Rashed Al-Zayed Josh & Shwetlena Sabarwal
- [3] "Addressing Learning Loss/Gap Using Low-tech Remote Learning among Underprivileged in Developing Countries: The Bangladesh Case," with Paul Glewwe, Asad Islam, & Shwetlena Sabarwal
- [4] "Disability Inclusive Education Program in Bangladesh," with Ricardo Sabates Aysa, Narayan Das, & Nidhi Singal
- [5] "Using Social Media to Train Aquaculture Farmers: Experimental Evidence from Bangladesh," with Munshi Sulaiman, Marzuk Hossain, & Tahmid Bin Mahmud

- [6] "Training on Black Soldier Fly Larvae (BSFL) Cultivation as Aquaculture and Poultry Feed," with Munshi Sulaiman, Marzuk Hossain, & Tahmid Bin Mahmud
- [7] "Social Empowerment and Legal Protection Program to Reduce Child Marriage," with Munshi Sulaiman, Shaila Ahmed, Sakib Mahmood, Marjan Hossain, & Md. Johirul Islam
- [8] "Impact of Garment Factories on Women's Health in Bangladesh," with Divya Pandey
- [9] "Positive Parenting of Adolescents," with Shaila Ahmed, Marjan Hossain, Radhika Nagesh, & Gabriela Smarrelli (*Pilot Ongoing*)

Policy Writings/Reports

- [1] "Partnership for Research on Progress and Resilience in Education (PREPARE): Round 1 Policy Brief" with Marjan Hossain, Md Johirul Islam, and Shaila Ahmed. 2023. BRAC Institute of Governance and Development (BIGD) Report. Dhaka, Bangladesh. [\[PDF\]](#)
- [2] "The State of Learning in Bangladesh: A Pilot Study" with Marjan Hossain. 2022. BRAC Institute of Governance and Development (BIGD) Report. Dhaka, Bangladesh. [\[PDF\]](#)
- [3] "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. [\[PDF\]](#)
- [4] "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. [\[PDF\]](#)

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 RISE Annual Conference; Center for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) Conference; CSAE Lunchtime Workshop, University of Oxford; Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Conference; International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) FNP Brown Bag Seminar
- 2022 CSAE Lunchtime Workshop, University of Oxford; Economics Brown Bag Seminar, North South University
- 2021 Western Economics Association (WEA) International Conference
- 2020 Canadian Economics Association Conference (*Canceled due to COVID-19*); WEA International Conference (*In-person conference canceled due to COVID-19*)
- 2019 Midwest International Development Economics Conference (MWIDEC); 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; MWIDEC

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^AT_EX (advanced)

LANGUAGES

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