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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 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” November 2021. (*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(12): 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.

### **Work 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] "The Welfare Consequences of Employer Responses to COVID-19," with Laura Boudreau & Rachel Heath
- [5] "The Effect of Public Handwashing Stations, Awareness Campaigns, and Behavior Change Interventions on Health Behavior and Outcomes During the COVID-19 Pandemic," with Sonia Afrin, Narayan Das, Rafia Nisat, Dilhan Perera, & Atiya Rahman
- [6] "Digital Finance, Transaction Costs, and Women's Economic Empowerment: Experimental Evidence from Bangladesh," with Jeffrey R. Bloem
- [7] "Microfinance and Food Security during COVID-19 Pandemic," with Raied Arman, Narayan Das, Sakib Mahmud, & Semab Rahman
- [8] "Not in Education, Employment, or Training (NEET) Male Youth in Bangladesh," with Syed Rashed Al-Zayed Josh & Shwetlena Sabarwal
- [9] "Addressing Learning Loss/Gap Using Low-tech Remote Learning among Underprivileged in Developing Countries: The Bangladesh Case," with Paul Glewwe, Hashibul Hassan, Asad Islam, & Shwetlena Sabarwal

### **Policy Writing**

- [1] "Job Creation in Egypt: A Sectoral and Geographical Analysis Focusing on Private Establishments 1996-2017" with Ragui Assaad, Caroline Krafft, & Irene Selwaness. 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

**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

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*

## 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*)