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Education

PhD in Sociology , Concordia University	Sep 2025 –
MA in Sociology , Florida Atlantic University	Aug 2023 – Aug 2025
<i>Courses: Contemporary Social Theory, Gender Backlash Digital Media, AI Chatbots and Society</i>	
<i>Interests: Social Media, AI and Society, Gender, Social Justice, Quantitative Methodology</i>	
LLB (Hons) , BRAC University	Jan 2017 – May 2022
Minor: Anthropology, Department of Economics and Social Science	

Manuscripts in Progress

1. "Social Media as a Battleground: A Qualitative Analysis of the Representation and Resistance of Feminist Activism in Bangladesh" – *Midwest Sociological Society (MSS) 2025* (Poster & Oral); *Southern Sociological Society (SSS) 2025* (Oral)
2. "Eco-Friendly Housing Trends on Social Media: Identifying Consumer Demographics" – *40th International Narrative Conference, Miami, 2025* (Presented)

Course Research Projects

DURING MASTERS

- *[Directed Independent Study] AI-Generated Depictions of Bangladeshi Feminist Activists* – How AI imagery reinforces global cultural hierarchies and stereotypical narratives; Advisor: Yangsook Kim (Summer 2025)
- *[Directed Independent Study] Social Media as a Battleground* – Qualitative analysis of feminist backlash and resistance in Bangladesh. Advisor: Prof. Lotus Seeley & Yangsook Kim (Fall 2023–24)
- *Why Does the State Need a God?* – State and religious sentiment in Bangladeshi social media. Advisor: Prof. Carter Koppelman (Fall 2024)
- *Eco-Friendly Housing Trends on Social Media* – Demographic analysis of online housing trends. Advisor: Prof. Philip Lewin (Fall 2024)
- *Emotional Labor in Legal Practice* – Study of affective dimensions in law. Advisor: Prof. Lotus Seeley (Spring 2024)
- *Predictive Policing Algorithms* – Constitutional risks and disparities in the US. Advisor: Prof. Matty Lichtenstein (Spring 2024)
- *Grassroots Organizations in RMG Movement* – Role of NGOs in labor mobilization in Bangladesh. Advisor: Prof. Patricia Widener (Fall 2023)
- *Youth perceptions on unisex Fashion and Gender Identity in Bangladesh.* Advisor: Prof. Lotus Seeley (Fall 2023)

DURING LLB (HONS)

- *Cybersecurity Laws and Everyday Life* — Lived experience analysis using Foucault and Gramsci. Advisor: Dr. Seuti Sabur (Fall 2021) PDF
- *Women's Prisons in Bangladesh* – Overcrowding, healthcare, and rights issues. Advisor: Dr. Saira Rahman Khan (Summer 2021)
- *Non-elite Women and Movement Disengagement* – Interviews with activists and students. Advisor: Shehzad M Arifeen (Summer 2021) PDF
- *Gender Representation in Deodorant Ads* – Visual content analysis of 15 ads (2000–2020). Advisor: Shahzad M Arifeen (Summer 2021) PDF
- *Cybersecurity and Human Rights Law* – Digital Security Act 2018 vs. Bangladesh Constitution. Advisor: Advocate Mostafa Hossain (Fall 2020) PDF
- *Urban Middle-Class and Social Movements* – Political hegemony in Bangladesh under different

regimes. Advisor: Shahzad M Arifeen (Summer 2020) PDF

Commentary

- *Precarious Protections: Unaccompanied Minors Seeking Asylum in the United States* by Chiara Gulli. Midwest Sociological Society, 2025 (book critic)
- “Whose Language is Rumour?” *Muktiforum*, November 2024 <https://www.muktiforum.com/whose-language-is-rumour>
- Spoke at a Global Human Rights Defense international roundtable on women’s roles in Bangladesh’s July 2024 protests and the interim government transition.

Experience

Graduate Teaching Assistant , Florida Atlantic University	Aug 2023 – Aug 2025
• Courses: Global Society, Human Sexuality • Responsibilities: Teaching support, assessment, office hours	
Peer Educator , Kotha	Nov 2022 – Apr 2023
• Workshops and peer sessions on gender, consent, and relationships • Coordinated with NGOs and government for outreach	
Transcriber , BRAC James P Grant School of Public Health Projects: Digital ethnography, WFP Urban Women (Bangla to English translation)	Mar 2022 – Jun 2022
Sub-executive , Project Nirbhik Created content on gender violence, translated materials, voiceover work; Video samples: [1], [2], [3]	Aug 2020 – Dec 2020
Legal Co-researcher , Crido (Crisis Documentation Center) Legal document preparation and human rights law research	May – Aug 2020

Leadership

- **Kendrobimukhi Social Research Lab**, Research Mentor (May 2024 –)
- **Graduate Sociology Student Association, FAU**, Co-President (Aug 2024 – May 2025)
- **BRAC University Law Society**, Member (2017 – 2019)
- **South Asia Students for Liberty**, Local Coordinator (2021 – 2022)
- **Anthro-Forum, BRAC University**, Study Circle Coordinator (2019 – 2021)

Conferences Attended

- 119th ASA Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada (2024)
- AAAI Conference on AI, Ethics, and Society (Online, 2024)

Achievements & Awards

- Sociology Graduate Student Achievement Award (2025)
- Winner, Silver Lining Bangla Writing Competition – BRAC (2021)
- Completion, BSAYS Violence Against Women Workshop (2020)
- Graduate, UNHCR Certificate Course on Refugee Law (2020)
- Completion, Script Writing & Film Studies, BRAC University (2017)
- Astro-Olympiad: Runner-up (2014), Hon. Mention (2014), Champion (2012)
- Runner-up, BTV Intra-school Parliament Debate (2012)

Skills

- Fieldwork, Data Collection, Qualitative and Quantitative Research
- Social Media Analysis, Policy Analysis
- Tools: MS Word, Excel, PowerPoint Programming: Python, Pandas, NumPy