Sonan Memon

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Employment

	University of Oregon, USA
Graduate Employee	*September 2024 to Current*
	Asian Development Bank: https://adb.org/
Macroeconomic Consultant	*January-June 2024*
	PIDE, Islamabad: https://pide.org.pk/
Research Fellow	*July 2021–June 2024*
	Department of Economics, IBA Karachi
Lecturer	*August 2020–June 2021*

Education

	University of Oregon, USA
PhD Economics	*2024-Present*

CGPA: 3.75/4.0; Macroeconomics: 3.9/4.0. Includes 2 $A+$ so far.

	University of Oxford, UK
MPhil Economics	*2018–2020*
	Lahore University of Management Sciences, Pakistan
Bachelor of Science (Honors)	*2014–2018*

Major: Economics and Mathematics, CGPA = 3.92/4.0, Economics CGPA = 4.0/4.0

Academic Achievements

- Passed the PhD Qualifying Exams On First Attempt.
- Awarded the *Lockey Graduate Science Award* and Graduate Employee Offer for PhD in Economics at the University of Oregon, USA.
- Awarded the fully funded Oxford-Sir Anwar Pervez Graduate Scholarship from Oxford University for MPhil Economics (2018-2020).
- Ranked 2nd in LUMS Econ/Math program: 2018 Cohort.
- Awarded Pakistan level distinction in Cambridge A level Economics and Urdu exams in 2014.

Graduate Courses at Oxford

- Heterogeneous Agent Models in Economics (Professor Jesús Fernández-Villaverde: UPenn).
- Advanced Macro: Applied Monetary Policy, Learning, Robust Control and Bayesian Estimation.
- Advanced Econometrics, Labor Economics and Behavioral Economics.

Research Interests

- **Applied Monetary Policy Analysis**: Estimating Global Transmission Effects of US-based Monetary Policy Shocks.
- **International Financial Networks**: Understanding the Network Structure of Financial Institutions Across the Globe.
- **Political Economy of Currencies**: Intangible Power of the Dollar.
- **Economic Sociology of Labor Markets**: Labor Market Consequences of Ethnic and Religious Frictions.

Research Assistance

For Dr. Irfan Qureshi	**LUMS and Asian Development Bank**
	Fall 2018 and Spring 2023

- Worked on building rich, quarterly data on turnovers of governors for 60 countries, decomposing them by *regular*, *irregular* and *ally* appointments (Spring 2023).

Research Work

CONSULTANT FOR ASIAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

Disaster Shocks and Global Business Cycles   *Jan-June 2024*

- I worked as a consultant with ADB, working on measurement of exogenous monetary policy uncertainty shocks around disaster periods in the US and its global transmission across advanced and emerging economies.

DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS, UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD, UK

MPhil Thesis, Supervisor: Professor Michael McMahon   *2019-2020*

- I wrote a theoretical thesis, building a learning model in general equilibrium, in which *asymmetric* business cycles can emerge due to *endogenous* fluctuations in consumer sentiment.

Peer Reviewed Publications

Memon, S, Qureshi, IA. Income inequality and macroeconomic instability. Rev Dev Econ. 2020; 00: 1– 32. https://doi.org/10.1111/rode.12730

Working Papers

Ethnic Frictions in Karachi's Labor Market (December 2025)

Global Monetary Coordination Shocks (December 2025)

High-Frequency Inflation Forecasting: (December 2024)

Desirability of Economic Inequality: A Discourse (December 2023)

Research Toolkit

- **Programming (Advanced):** STATA, Dynare, *R Studio*, *Julia* & LaTeX.
- **Programming (Intermediate):** *Python* (Data Science and Machine Learning) and MATLAB.
- **Econometric Methods:** Working with Time Series and Cross-Country Panel Data. Empirical Macro Models: VARS (vector auto-regressions), SVARS and Local Projections.

References

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