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EDUCATION

- 2012-2018 Ph.D. in Economics, University of Warwick
- 2011-2012 MSc in Economics, London School of Economics and Political Science
- 2006-2008 MA in Applied Economics, Universidad de Oviedo
- 2002-2006 BA Business Administration and Management, Universidad de Oviedo

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 2021- Smith School of Business, Queen's University
Assistant Professor of Business Economics
- 2019-2021 Yale University
Postdoctoral Associate & Lecturer in Economics
- 2018-2019 Innovations for Poverty Action, Bangladesh
Postdoctoral Research Fellow
- 2007-2011 Inter-American Development Bank
Impact Evaluation Coordinator, Social Protection and Health Division (Managua, 2010-2011)
Research Fellow, Social Protection and Health Division (Washington DC, 2007-2010)

FIELDS OF CONCENTRATION

Development economics; Health economics; Labor, firms, and productivity

PUBLICATIONS

- “Falling living standards during the COVID-19 crisis: Quantitative evidence from nine developing countries,”** with D. Egger, E. Miguel, S. Warren, A. Shenoy, E. Collins, D. Karlan, *et al.*
Science Advances, Feb 5, 2021, DOI: 10.1126/sciadv.abe0997
- “How Accurate Is Our Misinformation? A Randomized Comparison of Four Survey Interview Methods to Measure Risk Behavior Among Young Adults in the Dominican Republic,”** with S. Vivo, S. McCoy, R. Munoz, M. Larrieu and P. Celhay
Development Engineering, 2017
- “A Toolkit for the Measurement of Youth Risk Behavior,”** with S. Vivo, D. Saric, R. Munoz, S. McCoy, and S. Bautista-Arredondo
Washington DC: Inter-American Development Bank, 2013
- “Sexual and Reproductive Health for Youth: A Review of Evidence for Prevention,”** with S. Vivo and D. Saric
Washington DC: Inter-American Development Bank, 2012

WORKING PAPERS

- “Managing the second shift: The impact of noncognitive skills on female entrepreneurs’ time allocation and mental health”**

“The causes and consequences of Myanmar’s internal conflict and the persecution of Rohingya Muslims,” with C.A. Davis, A.M. Mobarak, and J. Wen

“Toxic management, firm productivity, and worker well-being Evidence from Bangladeshi garment factories” with M.K. Mozumder, A. Rabbani, and C. Woodruff

“Prevalence and correlates of depression among Rohingya refugees and Bangladesh,” with C.A. Davis, A.M. Mobarak

“Migration and the labor market impacts of COVID-19,” with N. Barker, C.A. Davis, H. Mitchell, A.M. Mobarak, K. Naguib, M.E. Reimao, A. Shenoy, and C. Vernot

RESEARCH GRANTS

Sexual and intimate partner violence

- A media experiment to reduce domestic violence in Bangladesh,” with N. Buchmann and A. Rabbani. Sexual Violence Research Initiative and World Bank (USD 99,653), Grand Challenges Canada (CAD 99,932), National Science Foundation (USD 26,000.78), Weiss Fund (USD 20,000), USAID (USD 368,000)

Mental health and productivity in firms

- Worker Well-Being and Productivity in the Bangladesh Garment Sector,” with M.K. Mozumder, A. Rabbani, and C. Woodruff. MIT/USI (USD 245,000), International Growth Centre (USD 98,000), MIT/USI (USD 52,000)
- Entrepreneur Well-Being and Firm Outcomes in Bangladesh” IPA SME Competitive Fund (USD 29,999)
- The Effect of Shocks on Worker Well-being and Firm Productivity: Evidence from the Bangladeshi Garment Sector,” with C. Woodruff, R. Macchiavello, A. Rabbani, and A. Ashraf IGC (GBP 41,743)

Public service quality

- Improving Education through Bureaucrat Autonomy in Bangladesh,” with A.M. Mobarak, J. Wen, and A. Haque. Strategic Impact Evaluation Fund (SIEF), World Bank (USD 99,775)

Improving the health and living conditions of refugees and host communities

- Cox’s Bazar Panel Survey. Donors: World Bank (USD 180,000), Yale University (USD 480,000), IPA Peace and Recovery Program (USD 411,000)

ONGOING FIELD PROJECTS

“The economics of domestic violence: Evidence from Bangladesh,” with N. Buchmann and A. Rabbani *SVRI and World Bank Development Marketplace Award for Innovation on GBV Solutions 2019*. Co-funded by Stars in Global Health (Grand Challenges Canada), National Science Foundation, and Weiss Foundation

“Cox’s Bazar Panel Survey,” with S. Baird, C.A. Davis, M. Genoni, N. Krishnan, M. Mobarak, and J. Muz. Co-funded by the Yale MacMillan Center Program of Refugees, Forced Displacement, and Humanitarian Responses, GAGE/ODI, IPA’s Peace and Recovery Program, and the World Bank

“Improving education through bureaucrat autonomy in Bangladesh,” with A. Haque, A.M. Mobarak, and J. Wen. Funded by J-PAL Post-Primary Education Initiative, DFID Strategic Impact Evaluation Fund, and the World Bank. *AEA RCT Registry - AEARCTR-0003513*

RESEARCH AWARDS

ESRC-DTC, Postgraduate Scholarship. 2013-2016

Fundacion La Caixa, Postgraduate Scholarship. 2011-2012

Fundacion Universidad de Oviedo and Cajastur Fellowship. 2007-2008

Ministerio de Educacion y Ciencia, Collaborative Research Grant. 2005-2006

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2021-2022 Smith School of Business

Instructor

Principles of Economics

2020-2021 Yale University

Lecturer

The Economics and Psychology of Poverty

2017-2018 University of Warwick, UK

Teaching Assistant

Econometrics

2016-2017 University of Warwick, UK

Teaching Assistant

Statistical Techniques

REFeree SERVICE

Science Advance, Canadian Journal of Economics, World Development, Journal of Economic Psychology

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