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CURRENT POSITION & AFFILIATIONS

Jan. 2024-: Senior Lecturer (Associate Professor) in Economics, Department of Economics, Royal Holloway University of London (RHUL), UK.

Jan. 2022-Dec. 2023: Lecturer (Assistant Professor) in Economics and Policy, Department of Political Economy, King's College London (KCL), UK.

Sep. 2023-: Research Associate, Institute for Fiscal Studies, UK.

Jan. 2023-: Invited Researcher, J-PAL, USA.

Apr. 2023-: Research Affiliate, IZA, Germany.

Jan. 2022- : Non-resident Fellow, Centre for Development Economics and Sustainability, Monash University, Australia.

Jan. 2022-: External Research Fellow, Professorship of Economics, Technical University of Munich (TUM), Germany.

PREVIOUS

Jan. 2019-Dec. 2021: Postdoctoral Researcher, Professorship of Economics, TUM, Germany.

Jul. 2018-Jun. 2019: Adjunct Fellow, BRAC Institute of Governance and Development, Bangladesh.

EDUCATION

Sep. 2015-Jul. 2019: PhD Economics, University of Southampton, UK

Sep. 2014-Sep. 2015: MSc Economics & Econometrics, University of Southampton, UK Outcome: Distinction.

Sep. 2011-Jun. 2014: BSc (Econ) Economics, Queen Mary University of London (QMUL), UK Outcome: First Class Honours.

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Development, Health, Education, Applied Microeconomics.

PUBLICATIONS

Behavioral Consequences of Religious Schooling.

Forthcoming at *Journal of Development Economics*.

Improving Women's Mental Health During a Pandemic (with Michael Vlassopoulos, Tabassum Rahman, Debayan Pakrashi, Asad Islam & Firoz Ahmed).

Forthcoming at American Economic Journal: Applied Economics.

Raising Health Awareness in Rural Communities: A Randomized Experiment in Bangladesh and India (with *Tabassum Rahman*, *Debayan Pakrashi*, *Asad Islam & Firoz Ahmed*). Forthcoming at *Review of Economics and Statistics*.

Market Competition and Discrimination (with *Michael Vlassopoulos & Yves Zenou*). *European Economic Review*, 152, 104361. (2023).

- Emotional and Behavioral Impacts of Homeschooling Support on Children (with *Hashibul Hassan*, Asad Islam & Liang Choon Wang).
 - American Economic Association: Papers & Proceedings. 113: 498–502. (2023).
- Determinants and Dynamics of Food Insecurity During COVID-19 in Rural Bangladesh (with Firoz Ahmed, Asad Islam, Debayan Pakrashi & Tabassum Rahman).

 Food Policy, 101, 102066. (2021).
- Competitive Preferences and Ethnicity: Experimental Evidence from Bangladesh (with *Michael Vlassopoulos*).
 - The Economic Journal, 130 (627), 793-821. (2020).

WORKING PAPERS

- Telementoring and Homeschooling During School Closures: A Randomized Experiment in Rural Bangladesh (with *Hashibul Hassan*, *Asad Islam & Liang Choon Wang*). Revise and resubmit at *The Economic Journal*.
- Non-WEIRD Preferences (with Smriti Sharma).
 - In preparation for the **Handbook of Experimental Development Economics**, edited by Utteeyo Dasgupta and Pushkar Maitra.
- Forced Displacement, Mental Health, and Child Development: Evidence from the Rohingya Refugees (with Asad Islam, Tanvir Ahmed Mazumder, Tabassum Rahman & Tanvir Shatil).

 In submission.

FIELDWORK UNDERWAY OR COMPLETED

- Leveraging Edutainment and Social Networks to Foster Interethnic Harmony (with Michael Vlassopoulos & Yves Zenou). Working paper coming out soon.
- Ethnic Cleansing and Intergenerational Transmission of Mental Health: Evidence from the Rohingya Genocide in Myanmar (with Marup Hossain & Asad Islam) Data collection complete.
- Parental Involvement in Education and Children's Human Capital Formation (with Sonya Kruikova, Michael Vlassopoulos & Yves Zenou). Fieldwork underway
- Building Social Skills and Social Capital Among Rohingya Refugee Children (with Asad Islam, Michael Vlassopoulos & Yves Zenou) Fieldwork underway
- Inter-Group Contact and Nation-Building in Southeast Asia (with Chun Chee Kok & Gedeon Lim).

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

- Peer Mentoring, Matching, and Health in Rural Bangladesh (with *Arpita Biswas, Manuel Hoffmann & Daniel Stephenson*).
- Structural Transformation and Mental Health Among the Urban Poor (with Anri Sakakibara, Michael Vlassopoulos & Nusaiba Binte Zakaria)
- Reducing Unnecessary Sales of Antimalarials in the Private Sector (with Mylene Lagarde & Marcos Vera-Hernandez).
- The Adoption and Diffusion of Climate Change Adaptive Agricultural Practices in Bangladesh: Impacts on Labor, Health, and Early Childhood Outcomes (with Fahmida Akter, Sebastian J. Goerg, Andreas Pondorfer, Michael Vlassopoulos, & Yves Zenou).

RESEARCH GRANTS, HONORS & AWARDS

2023-24: Monash Department of Economics Research Grants Scheme (AUD 40,000) (as Co-PI)

2022-23: ARF grant (£5,000) (as PI)

2020: Diligentia Foundation research grant (€50,000) (as PI).

2016-18: ESRC Overseas Fieldwork funding (£4,750).

2014-2018: ESRC DTC (1+3) Research Studentship, University of Southampton.

2013: "Annual Fund Scholarship" for outstanding academic merit, QMUL.

OTHER EXPERIENCES

Jun. 2018-Jun. 2019: Scientific committee, RES Symposium of Junior Researchers (University of Warwick)

Jan. 2018-Dec. 2018: Research Assistant, University of Southampton Description: Assistant to Corrado Giulietti & Jackie Wahba.

Jun. 2016-Jun. 2018: Senior Research Assistant, University of Southampton Description: Assistant to Corrado Giulietti & Michael Vlassopoulos.

Feb. 2014-May 2014: Undergraduate Research Assistant, QMUL Description: Assistant to Francesca Cornaglia.

Jan. 2013-May 2013: Undergraduate Research Assistant, QMUL Description: Assistant to Guglielmo Volpe.

TEACHING EXPERIENCES

Sep. 2022-: Lecturer, Economics, KCL, UK

Health Economics and Policy (MSc)

Statistics for Political Science (BSc)

Experimental Economics (BSc, Tutorial)

Microeconomics (BSc, Tutorial)

Jan. 2019-Dec. 2021: Lecturer, Economics, TUM, Germany

Advanced Microeconomics (BSc)

Methods for Evidence-Based Policy & Management (BSc)

Jan. 2016-Dec. 2018: Teaching Assistant, Economics, University of Southampton, UK

Microeconomics of Strategy (BSc)

Principles of Finance (BSc)

Methods of Econometrics (BSc)

Applied Microeconomics (BSc) - (STATA Tutorials)

Statistics for Economics (BSc)

Preliminary Mathematics & Statistics (MSc)

SEMINAR, CONFERENCE & WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

2024: AEA Meetings; Technical University of Munich Seminar; NOVAFRICA Seminar; Monash CDES Sustainable Development Conference.

2023: AEA Meetings; Monash-CDES Sustainable Development Conference; IFS-UCL-LSE/STICERD Development Economics Seminar; Royal Holloway Seminar; CEP-LSE Labour Market Seminar; BREAD/MIT Conference in Development Economics; IFS Seminar; Advances with Field Experiments-Chicago; City/Royal Holloway Workshop on Family and Health Economics; Manchester Applied Economics Seminar; City University of London Seminar; Foundations Seminar; Essex Experimental Economics Seminar; Derby Seminar.

2022: Field Days 2022 Workshop (Cologne), NBER Summer Institute (Development), REBEW Workshop (Reading), Newcastle Seminar, King's College London Seminar.

2021: Field Days 2021 Workshop (Cologne), Bavarian Micro Day Workshop (LMU), NEUDC 2021 (Boston), BEWIP Seminar (TUM), RWI Essen Seminar; Workshop on Conflict, Migration, and Displacement (HiCN-Goettingen); SEEDEC 2021 (NHH-Monash); IZA Workshop—Economics of Time Use and Mental Health: Stress, Sleep, Fatigue and Employment (IZA); RISE Annual Conference (Oxford); Duisburg-Essen Seminar; M-BEPS (Maastricht); Edinburgh Seminar; CEPR/LEAP Workshop in Development Economics 2021 (Bocconi); Lancaster Seminar; 2nd Joint IZA & Jacobs Center Workshop: Consequences of Covid-19 for Child and Youth Development (IZA); Young Economists Meeting 2021 (Masaryk); International Conference RExCon21 on Social Preferences and Social Norms (HSE); Midwest International Economic Development Conference (Northwestern); Emerging Data and Methods in Global Health Research (Berkeley & World Bank); Mental Health Workshop (Max Planck Institute); TUM Seminar.

2020: Monash Seminar; COVID-19 Related Research in Developed and Developing Countries (FIU).

2019: Marburg Seminar; TUM Seminar; IFO Institute Migration Workshop; Bologna Workshop.

2018: BRAC University Seminar; Rajshahi Seminar; ESA World Meetings in Berlin (Humboldt-Universitat); CAGE & IAS Summer School (Warwick); Warwick PhD Conference.

2017: Rajshahi Seminar; Southampton PhD Workshop; SEEDEC 2017 (UEA); IZA/Volkswagen Foundation Workshop: Preferences, Personality Traits and the Labor Market (Bologna); The Royal Economic Society Symposium of Junior Researchers (Bristol); The 6th International ACCER Workshop (Duisburg-Essen).

SKILLS

Language Skills: Bengali (native) & English. Conversational Hindi & Urdu.

Software Skills: Stata, R (basic), Excel.

SUPERVISION

PhD: Connor Taylor-Smith and Alix Henderson (both starting Jan 2024, RHUL).

MSc: Marcus Quarshie (2020, TUM), Nicolas Bauer (2020, TUM & ETH Zurich).

BSc: Siya Bora (2023, KCL), Konstantin Klinger (2023, KCL).

REFEREEING ACTIVITIES

American Economic Review, Review of Economics and Statistics, Economic Journal, European Economic Review, Journal of Development Economics, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Education Economics, IZA Journal of Development and Migration, Journal of Development Studies, Royal Economic Society, Swiss National Science Foundation, PLOS One, Games, Heliyon, Review of World Economics.

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