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Curriculum Vitae

Department of Economics
Williams School of Commerce,
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EDUCATION

- 2005 Ph.D., Economics and Education, Columbia University
Dissertation title: "Understanding Household Child Labor and Schooling Decisions in Rural Bangladesh"
Dissertation committee: Professors Henry M. Levin (sponsor), Francisco Rivera-Batiz, Mun Tsang, and Miguel Urquiola
- 2005 M.Phil., Economics and Education, Columbia University
- 2001 M.A., Economics, State University of New York at Buffalo
- 2000 B.A., Economics, University of Western Ontario

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Economics of Education, Development Economics, Economic Demography

POSITIONS

- 2006-2008 Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Washington and Lee University
- 2004-2006 Economist, Abt Associates Inc.
- 2004 Summer Intern and Consultant, The World Bank
- 2001-2004 Teaching Assistant to Professor Henry Levin, Columbia University
- 2001-2004 Research Assistant, National Center for the Study of Privatization in Education
- 2003 Graduate Intern, The World Bank Resident Mission in Bangladesh

RESEARCH

- "Household Schooling and Child Labor Decisions in Rural Bangladesh," under review.
- "Household Rates of Return to Education in Rural Bangladesh: Accounting for Direct Costs, Foregone Child Labor Earnings, and Option Value," under review.
- "Targeted Educational Voucher Schemes: How can they better serve the Poor?" under review.
- "The Effect of Compulsory Schooling Laws on Indigenous and Non-indigenous Schooling in Guatemala," with Harry Patrinos (The World Bank) and Joseph Shapiro (Oxford University), in progress.
- "Intra-Household Educational Expenditures in Urban Bangladesh," in progress.
- "Design Details of a Targeted Educational Voucher Scheme," in progress.
- "Labor Markets in South Asia: Issue and Challenges," contributing author on seven of eight chapters, World Bank Report, Washington, DC, 2004.
- "A Statistical Analysis of Child Labor in Rural Bangladesh: Evidence from the Matlab Region," mimeo, 2002.

TEACHING

- 2006 Principles of Microeconomics (undergraduate)
- 2006 Population Economics (undergraduate)
- 2002-2003 Economics of Education (graduate)
- 2001-2004 Evaluating Educational Privatization and School Choice (graduate)
- 2003 Resource Allocation in Education (graduate)

PRESENTATIONS

- 2005 Southern Economic Association (Annual Conference); Abt Associates Inc.
- 2004 Comparative and International Education Society (Annual Meetings)
- 2003 University of Dhaka (invited lecture); The World Bank Resident Mission in Bangladesh; Comparative & International Education Society (Annual Conference); Teachers College at Columbia University; Comparative and International Education Society (Annual Conference)
- 2002 Teachers College at Columbia University

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS

- American Economic Association
- Comparative and International Education Society
- Southern Economic Association

HONORS & AWARDS

- 2001-2004 Teachers College, Columbia University Fellowship
- 2001-2002 Burke Endowed Scholarship (based on merit)
- 2000 Presidential Honor Roll (annual university-wide award for seven students)
- 1999 Student Award of Merit (annual university-wide award for five students)
- 1998 Honor W Award (for service to the university community)

CONSULTING

- 2006 Open Society Institute (*Project: Designing and Evaluating Educational Vouchers in Punjab, Pakistan*)
- 2004 The World Bank (*Projects: South Asian Labor Markets; Informal Employment in India*)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 2006-2008 Affiliated Faculty, East Asian Studies Program, Washington and Lee University
- 2003-2004 Chair, Society of Economics and Education, Columbia University
- 2003 Youth Participant (invited), World Bank South Asia Region Retreat
- 2003 Finals Judge, New York State High-School Economics Competition, National Council of Economic Education

SKILLS

Languages: Fluent in English and Bengali. Working knowledge of Hindi and Urdu. Reading knowledge of Arabic, French and Spanish.

Field experiences:

- 2004 Bangladesh: Worked on the joint World Bank-International Food Policy & Research Institute (IFPRI) study on Bangladesh's stipend programs by contributing to questionnaire design, staff training & collection of household- & school-level data.
- 2004-2005 Morocco: Trained technical staff of Morocco's Ministry of Education on education finance and National Education Accounts.

2006 Pakistan: guided the Punjab Education Foundation in designing South Asia's first educational voucher scheme (targeted at urban slum children).

PERSONAL

Date of Birth: 17 July 1979; *Sex:* Male; *Citizenship:* Bangladeshi (USA Visa: H1-B, valid until October 2008); *Married* (to Nazia Shafiq).

REFERENCES

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