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### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS:**

2019- Assistant Professor of Economics,

University of Virginia, Department of Economics

## **AFFILIATIONS**:

2021-	Fellow, Mahbub-ul-Haq Research Center, LUMS, Pakistan
2020-	Visiting Senior Fellow, Pakistan Institute of Development Economics (PIDE)
2019-	Democracy initiative, Corruption Lab for Ethics, Accountability, and the Rule of Law (CLEAR)
2019-	Centre for Economic Research Pakistan (CERP)
2018-	Bissau Economics Lab (BELAB)
2015-	International Growth Centre (IGC)

#### **EDUCATION**:

2014-2019	PhD Economics, London School of Economics
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Advisors: Oriana Bandiera, Tim Besley, Robin Burgess and Gerard Padro-i-Miguel

2013-2014 MRes Economics, London School of Economics

2010-2011 MSc. Economics, London School of Economics (Distinction)

#### **FIELDS OF INTEREST**:

Development Economics, Organizational Economics and Political Economy

#### **WORKING PAPERS:**

Meritocracy in a Bureaucracy

Spillovers in State Capacity Formation (with Clement Minaudier (University of Vienna))

Corruption as Informal Fiscal System (with Sandip Sukhtankar (UVA), Clement Minaudier (University of Vienna)

Gender, Information Exchange and Choice Over Co-workers: Experimental Evidence (with Clement Minaudier (University of Vienna), Brais Alvarez Pereira (Universidade NOVA SBE) and Shamyla Chaudry (Lahore School of Economics))

Should Diversity be Introduced in Large or Small groups? Evidence from Lab-in-the-field (with Brais Álvarez Pereira (Universidade NOVA SBE))

### **SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS**:

Welfare Effects of Improving Public Distribution System in India (with Sheetal Seekhri (UVA) and Gaurav Chiplunkar (UVA))

Efficiency of Discretionary Allocations: Evidence from PAS Bureaucracy in Pakistan (with Gaurab Aryal (UVA), Clement Minaudier (University of Vienna) and Zahid Habib Bhutta (Additional Accountant General, Accountant General Office, Government of Punjab))

### **GRANTS**:

2021	JPAL Crime and Violence Initiative grant (75,000 USD as co-PI)
2020	Quantitative Collaborative (12,500 USD), UVA
2020, 2021	Bankard Fund for Political Economy (30,000 USD), UVA
2018	Research Grant (5,000 GBP), STICERD
2014	Research Grant (20,000 GBP), International Growth Centre (IGC)
2014	PhD Field Research Grant (5000 USD), Institute of Development and Economic
	Alternatives (IDEAS), Pakistan
2014	Research Grant (140,000 USD), United Stated Institute of Peace (with Dr. Jacob Shapiro,
	Dr. Ali Cheema and Mr. Zulfiqar Hameed)
2012-2013	Research Fund, Murray Edwards College, University of Cambridge

#### **AWARDS, SCHOLARSHIPS AND FELLOWSHIPS:**

2013-2018	Economics Department Award, Full Scholarship, PhD Economics, LSE
2013	Offered Visiting Student Research Collaborator (VSRC), Princeton University,
	Department of Politics, under Dr. Jacob N. Shapiro
2013	Offered Visiting Graduate Student, University of California San Diego (UCSD),
	Economics Department under Prof. Eli Berman
2011-2013	Cambridge Commonwealth Trust- HEC Pakistan, Full PhD Scholarship
2009-2011	Master's Award, Full Scholarship, MSc. Economics, London School of Economics
2007	Best in Academics, Civil Service of Pakistan
2007	Best Research Paper, Civil Service of Pakistan
2006	President of Pakistan Gold Medal, Best Probationary Officer, Civil Services of Pakistan
2006	Best in Academics, Civil Service of Pakistan
2003	Gold Medal, MSc. Economics, Lahore School of Economics
2003	Silver Medal, Dean's Honor List, Lahore School of Economics
2002	Gold Medal, M.B.A. Program, Lahore School of Economics
2002	Silver Medal, M.B.A. Program, Lahore School of Economics
2002	Full Scholarship, MSc. Economics, Lahore School of Economics

## **TEACHING AWARDS**:

2016	LSE Best Class Teacher Award
2016	Nominated for LSE Students' Union Student-led Most Inspirational Teacher Award
2012-2013	Best Teaching Fellow in the Economics Tripos, University of Cambridge

#### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**:

2019-	Economic Development, Department of Economics, University of Virginia
2015-2018	Micro and Macro for Public Policy, Master of Public Administration, School of Public Policy, LSE

2013-2018	Empirical Methods for Public Policy, Executive Master of Public Administration (EMPA), School of Public Policy, LSE
2013-2018	Economic Policy Analysis, Executive Master of Public Administration (EMPA), School of Public Policy, LSE
2013-2014	Political Science & Public Policy, Executive Master of Public Administration (EMPA), School of Public Policy, LSE
2012-2013	Economics of Developing Countries, Undergraduate Tripos Part IIB, Department of Economics, University of Cambridge
2011-2012	Development Economics, Undergraduate Tripos Part I, Department of Economics, University of Cambridge
2002-2004	Microeconomics, Masters level, Department of Economics, Lahore School of Economics

## **OTHER POSITIONS HELD**:

2017	Research Assistant for Prof. Oriana Bandiera, London School of Economics
2005-	Pakistan Administrative Services (PAS) civil servant, Government of Pakistan
2004	Research Associate WWF-Pakistan

## **SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (including scheduled\*)**:

2022	University of Delaware*; Quantitative Collaborative Lunch Series*; Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad*
2021	University of Michigan*; UC-Irvine*; Fordham University; IFPRI; Iowa State University; Williams College
2020	UVA Junior Economists Lunch Series
2019	Queen Mary University of London; World Bank; University of Toronto; University of Virginia; Lahore University of Management Sciences
2018	Institute of Fiscal Studies; London School of Economics (Development, STICERD, Political Science and Political Economy seminars)
2017	London School of Economics (Development, Labor, STICERD, Political Science and Political Economy seminars)

#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (including scheduled\*):

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2021	NBER Organizational Economics*; NEUDC (Boston University)*; Southern Economic Association (SEA) Annual Meeting*; UVA-Richmond Fed-Duke Jamboree; WADES (Georgetown); IEA (cancelled); Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics (SIOE); London School of Economics Workshop on Clientelism	
2020	UVA Junior Economists Lunch Series; WADES (cancelled); IEA (cancelled); EALE SOLE AASLE World Conference (cancelled); Midwest International Economic Development Conference (cancelled)	
2018	Stanford and UC Berkeley: Fourth Development and Political Economics SF Bay Area conference, UC Berkeley	

2017

IEA; North American Summer Meeting; Annual Congress of the European Economic Association (EEA-ESEM), NEUDC (Tufts University)

### **REFEREEING**

AER Insights, Economica, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economic Letters, Econometrica, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Public Economics

### **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

2021 Scientific Programme Committee, Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics

(SIOE)

2014 Conference convened: Institutions and their Discontents: Rethinking Economic

Development in South Asia, University of Cambridge