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BUSINESS ADDRESS:

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DESIRED RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS:

PRIMARY

Development Economics

SECONDARY

Political Economy

DISSERTATION TITLE: "Essays on Development and Political Economy"

Expected Date of Completion: May 2024
Principal Advisors: Professors Edward Miguel and Frederico Finan
Other References: Professors Steve Tadelis and Guo Xu

PRE-DOCTORAL STUDIES:

| | DEGREE | DATE | FIELD |
|--|---------------|------|-------------------------|
| University of California, Berkeley | MSc. | 2020 | Business Administration |
| Harvard University | MPP | 2016 | Public Policy |
| Lahore University of Management Sciences | BSc. (honors) | 2011 | Economics |

WORKING PAPERS:

- "Short Messages Fall Short for Micro-Entrepreneurs: Experimental Evidence from Kenya" (Job Market Paper)
- "Command and Can't Control: Assessing Centralized Accountability in the Public Sector", with Saad Gulzar, Juan Felipe Ladino, and Daniel Rogger

SELECTED RESEARCH IN PROGRESS:

- "The Political Economy of Environmental Protection: Evidence from India", with Suraj Nair
- "Accounting for Accounting: Book-Keeping Lessons from Nigeria", with Anne Krahn and Abiola Oyeibanjo

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

RESEARCH:

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| Research Assistant to Professor Guo Xu (UC Berkeley) | 2019-2020 |
| Research Assistant at Development Impact Evaluation (DIME), World Bank | 2017-2018 |
| Research Fellow at Center for International Development (CID), Harvard University | 2014-2016 |
| Research Assistant to Saad Gulzar, Yasir Khan, Michael Callen, Ali Hasanain (IGC-UCSD-LUMS) | 2011-2014 |

TEACHING:

Graduate Student Instructor, Haas Business School at UC Berkeley (Fall 2020 – Fall 2022)
Economic Analyses for Business Decisions (MBA level)
Primary Instructor, Department of Economics, U.C. Berkeley Summer 2022
Principles of Economics (Undergraduate level)

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS:

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| 2023 | Cheit Award for Excellence in Teaching; Institute for Business Innovation Fellowship; Center for African Studies Rocca Dissertation Fellowship (\$10,000); CEGA Development Economics Challenge Award (\$7,000) |
| 2022 | The International Growth Centre (IGC) (£20,000); IPA Human Trafficking Research Initiative Grant (\$16,700); PEDL Small Research Grants (£6,500); Center for African Studies Rocca Dissertation Fellowship (\$6,000); SurveyCTO Research Grant (\$2,000); University of Chicago Price Theory Camp (selected participant); PEDL-NYU Abu Dhabi Young Scholar Matchmaking Workshop (selected participant) |
| 2020-22 | Institute for Business Innovation Research Grants (\$22,800) |
| 2018-23 | U.C. Berkeley Haas School of Business PhD Fellowship |
| 2014-16 | Fulbright Scholarship for Masters in Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School |

SERVICE:

- Member of selection team and Peer Mentor to African PhD students for CEGA EASST Fellows program 2022-23
- Berkeley Economists for Equity (BEE) Leadership board – Undergraduate student mentoring and tutoring 2021-22
- Undergraduate Student Researcher Mentorship Program 2021-22

OTHER INFORMATION:

Languages: English (fluent); Urdu (native); Punjabi (native); Hindi (fluent - verbal)
Citizenship: Pakistan