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### EXPERIENCE

- 2021 -** Associate Professor of Economics, University of Chicago
- 2021 -** Chair, Teaching at the Right Level (TaRL)
- 2020 - 2021** Chief Economist, Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office
- 2020 -** Member, Global Education Evidence Advisory Panel (GEEAP)
- 2018 - 2020** Chief Economist, Department for International Development.
- 2004 - 2018** Executive Director, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab, MIT.
- 2000 - 2004** Adjunct Lecturer, Harvard Kennedy School, Harvard University.
- 1997 - 2004** Economist/Senior Economist, International Monetary Fund.
  - 1996 - 1997** Development Associate, Harvard Institute for International Development.
  - 1994 - 1996** Technical Assistant to the UK Executive Director of the International Monetary Fund and World Bank.
- 1992 - 1994** Economic Adviser, HM Treasury.
- 1988 - 1992** Economic Assistant/Senior Economic Assistant, HM Treasury.

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- 2021 [“Preparing for a pandemic: Accelerating vaccine availability”](#) **AEA Papers and Proceedings**, Vol. 111, Pages 331-335, (with Amrita Ahuja, Susan Athey, Arthur Baker, Eric Budish, Juan Camilo Castillo, Scott Duke Kominers, Michael Kremer, Jean Lee, Canice Prendergast, Christopher M. Snyder, Alex Tabarrok, Brandon Joel Tan, and Witold Więcek)
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- 2015 "[The Miracle of Microfinance? Evidence from a Randomized Evaluation](#)", **AEJ: Applied Economics**, Volume 7, Issue 1, Pages 22-53. (with Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo, and Cynthia Kinnan).
- 2014 "[Promoting Transparency in Social Science Research](#)", **Science**, (Vol 343, Issue 6166, Pages 30-31. with Katherine Casey, Guido W.Imbens, E. Miguel, C. Camerer, J. Cohen, K.M. Esterling, A. Gerber, D.P. Green, D. Laitin, L. Neslon, B.A. Nosek, M. Petersen, R. Sedlmayr, J.P. Simmons, U. Simonsohn, M. Van der Laan).
- 2013 "[The Challenge of Education and Learning in the Developing World](#)," **Science**, Vol. 340, Issue 6130, Pages 297-300. (with Michael Kremer and Conner Brannen).
- 2013 "[Collective Action in Diverse Sierra Leone Communities](#)", **The Economic Journal**, Vol. 123, Pages 285-316 (with Edward Miguel and Alexander D. Rothenberg)
- 2012 "[Reshaping Institutions: Evidence on Aid Impacts Using a Preanalysis Plan](#)", **The Quarterly Journal of Economics**, Vol. 127, Issue 4, Pages 1755-1812. (with Katherine Casey and Edward Miguel).
- 2012 "[The Power of Evidence: Improving the Effectiveness of Government by Investing in More Rigorous Evaluation](#)," **National Institute Economic Review** Vol. 219, Issue 1, Pages R4-R14.
- 2010 "[Improving immunization coverage in rural India: clustered randomized controlled evaluation of immunization campaigns with and without incentives](#)," **British Medical Journal** Vol. 340, Issue 2220. (with Abhijit Banerjee, Esther Duflo, and Dhruva Kothari).

2008 “[Does Transparency Pay?](#)” **IMF Staff Papers**, Volume 55. Issue 1). (with Yongseok Shin).

2008 “[Pitfalls of Participatory Programs: Evidence from a randomized evaluation in education in India](#)” **American Economic Journal: Economic Policy**, Volume 2, Issue 1, Pages 1-30 (with Abhijit Banerjee, Rukmini Banerji, Esther Duflo, and Stuti Khemani) (see also NBER Working Paper No 14467).

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2020 “[How to Improve Education Outcomes Most Efficiently?](#)” **World Bank Group Policy Research Working Paper**, Issue 9450. (with Noam Angrist, David K, Evan, Deon Filmer, F. Halsey Rogers, and Shwetlana Sabarwal)

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2004 “[Strong Medicine: Creating Incentives for Pharmaceutical Research on Neglected Diseases](#)” Princeton University Press. (with Michael Kremer).

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

2018 “[A Practical Guide to Measuring Women’s and Girl’s Empowerment in Impact Evaluations](#)” Gender Sector, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Lab.

2017 “[The generalizability puzzle](#)” **Stanford Social Innovation Review**, Pages 50-54, (with Mary Ann Bates)

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## ONGOING RESEARCH

"Demand for Information on Political Candidates" (with Katherine Casey)

"Long-term Economic Impacts of Post-War Reconstruction Aid in Sierra Leone" (with Katherine Casey, Edward Miguel and Maartin Voors).

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"Optimizing the Design of Incentives for Immunization: a Randomized Trial in Karachi" (with Subhash Chandir and Amir Khan).

## EDUCATION

2004 Ph.D. Economics Birkbeck College, University of London

1993 MSc, Economics, Birkbeck College, University of London

1990-1991 Kennedy Scholar, Economics Department, Harvard University

1988 B.A. Philosophy, Politics, and Economics, Somerville College, Oxford University.