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I like my research to be driven by questions on how policies or programs improve the lives of vulnerable and disadvantaged populations. My work focuses on understanding the drivers or inhibitors of human capital accumulation throughout the life cycle. I use applied econometrics techniques to investigate those questions and most of my expertise is in developing countries.

EDUCATION

PhD Econometrics, Monash University	2015
M.Sc. Economics, Universidad Nacional de Colombia	2008
B.A. Economics, Universidad Nacional de Colombia,	2005

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Senior Research Fellow	2021 -
Research Fellow	2017 - 2021
Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research University of Melbourne	
Research Fellow - (External contracts) Department of Econometrics Monash University	2015 - 2017

VISITING POSITIONS

World Bank Group Development Research Group (DECRG)	2023
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POLICY EXPERIENCE

Australian Government

Evaluation of Emergency Housing Payment program in NSW	2026 - 2029
Evaluation of Future Directions for Social Housing in NSW	2019 - 2022

World Bank

Social norms and women's labor force participation in Indonesia	2022
Evaluation of Indonesian cash transfer program, PKH	2019 - 2020
Sanitation and Child and Maternal Health in Indonesia	2015 - 2017

DFAT (previously AusAID)

Impact Evaluation Executive Education in Cambodia (through CAPERD)	2025
Evaluation of an Unconditional Cash Transfer in Timor-Leste	2023 - 2024
Understanding the Consequences of Child Marriage	2019 - 2020
Cash transfers and violence against women	2017 - 2018
Quantifying the impacts of living with a disability in Indonesia	2016 - 2017
Research on gender inequality in Indonesia	2015 - 2017
Research project on Maternal Mortality	2014 - 2016

Department of National Planning (Colombian Government)

Long term effects of Conditional Cash Transfers in Colombia	2011 - 2012
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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics, Health Economics, Program Evaluation.

ACADEMIC PAPERS

- "Leveraging women's views to influence gendered attitudes to women working: Evidence from an online intervention in Indonesia", w/ L. Cameron and D. Setyonaluri. *Journal of Development Economics*, 103722 (2026)
- Talking in Timor-Leste: siblings, urbanization, and other influences on young children's verbal environments (with J. Coffey, V. Baranov, X. Hu, L. Cameron and A. Cristia). *Developmental Science*. 29 (3), e70183 (2026)
- "Women's Transitions in the Labour Market around Marriage and Childbearing: The Challenges of Formal Sector Employment in Indonesia", w/ L. Cameron and Y. Tseng. *Population and Development Review*, 52: 651-674 (2026)
- "Child Marriage: Using the Indonesian Family Life Survey to Examine the Lives of Women and Men who Married at an Early Age", w/ L. Cameron and S. Wieczkiewicz. *Review of Economics of the Household*, 21(3), 725-756 (2023).
- "Associations between ongoing COVID-19 lockdown on the financial and mental health experiences of Australian families" w/ A. Price, A. Zhu, N. Schreurs, M. Measey, J. Burley, H. Bryson, D. Efron, A. Rhodes, S. Woolfenden and S. Goldfeld. *Australian Journal of Social Issues*, 58, 173-193 (2023)
- "The feasibility of linking universal child and family healthcare and financial counselling: findings from the Australian Healthier Wealthier Families (HWF) mixed methods study", w/ A. Price, N. White, et al. *BMJ Open* 13, no. 11 (2023): e075651.
- "Connecting healthcare with income maximisation services: A systematic review on the health, wellbeing and financial impacts for families with young children", w/ J. Burley, N. Samir, et. al. . *Int. J. Environ. Res. Public Health*, 19, 6425. (2022)
- "Theoretical explanations for socioeconomic inequalities in multi-morbidity among adults", w/ A. Singh, T. King, E. You. & L. Fleitas Alfonzo. *BMJ Open*, 12(2), e055264. (2022).
- "Relationship between water and sanitation and maternal health: Evidence from Indonesia", w/ L. Cameron and C. Chase. *World Development* 147, 105637 (2021)
- "Health Spillover effects of a Conditional Cash Transfer Program" w/ P. Maitra. *Journal of Population Economics* 34, 893-928 (2021).
- "Theoretical Underpinnings and Meta-analysis of the Effects of Cash Transfers on Intimate Partner Violence in Low- and Middle-Income Countries", w/ V. Baranov, L. Cameron and C. Thibout – *Journal of Development Studies* 57(1): 1-25. (2021)
- "Role of social support in the relationship between financial hardship and multimorbidity – A causal mediation analysis", w/ A. Singh, T. King, E. You and L. Fleitas. *European Journal of Public Health* 31(3), 482-487 (2021)
- "Conditional Cash Transfers: Do They Result in More Patient Choices and Increased Educational Aspirations?", w/ L. Cameron – *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 68, no. 3: 729-761. (2020)
- "Female Labour Force Participation in Indonesia: Why Has it Stalled?." w/ L. Cameron and W. Rowell *Bulletin of Indonesian Economic Studies* 55, no. 2: 157-192. (2019)
- "Understanding the determinants of maternal mortality: An observational study using the Indonesian Population Census.", w/ L. Cameron and K. Cornwell. *PloS one* 14, no. 6 (2019)
- "Livelihoods and child welfare among poor rural farmers in East Africa.", w/ B. Inder, C. Kabore, S. Nolan, K. Cornwell, A. Crawford, and J. K. Kamara. *African Development Review* 29, no. 2: 169-183. (2017)

PUBLISHED PROTOCOLS

- "Study protocol for the Healthier Wealthier Families (HWF) pilot randomised controlled trial: testing the feasibility of delivering financial counselling to families with young children who are identified as experiencing financial hardship by community-based nurses", w/ A. Price, A. Zhu, J. Nguyen, et al. *BMJ Open* (2021);11:e044488. doi: 10.1136/bmjopen-2020-044488

“Connecting healthcare with income maximisation services, and their financial, health and well-being impacts for families with young children: a systematic review protocol”, w/ J. Burley, A. Price, et al. *BMJ Open* (2021), 11(12), e056297.

“Future Directions: Study Protocol for an Effectiveness-Implementation Hybrid Evaluation of a State-based Social Housing Strategy and Three Social Housing Programs”, w/ Cameron, L. A., Etuk, L., Hateley-Browne, J., Kalb, G., Parker, B., Rose, V., ... & Koop, D. *Social Science Protocols*, 4, 1-12. (2021).

WORKING PAPERS

“The Purdah Meets the Factory: Exposure to Female Employment and Son Preference” w/ R. Ahsan and M. Moniruzzaman

“Linking Children’s Physical Development with Cognitive Development in Rural Areas”.

“Child height-for-age and remoteness in Timor-Leste: A lasso quantile regression analysis”, w/ S. Espinosa

“Stunting in Timor Leste: a decomposition analysis by wealth gap”, w/ A. Das and H. Bhatia

BOOK CHAPTERS

“Disability in Indonesia: What can we learn from the available data?”, w/ L. Cameron. In Utomo, A. & Witoelar F. (Eds.). (2022) In *Sickness and In Health: Diagnosing Indonesia*. Ch 10. ANU Press.

“Female Labour Force Participation in Indonesia: Why has it stalled?”, w/ L. Cameron and W. Rowell – in Triggs, A., & Urata, S. (Eds.). (2020). *Achieving Inclusive Growth in the Asia Pacific*. ANU Press.

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Surfing in Australia: Internet Access and provision of health care”, w/ S. Mendez and A. Zaresani.

“Cash Transfers in Timor Leste”, w/ V. Baranov, L. Cameron and B. Inder.

“Child-directed Speech in Timor Leste”, w/ V. Baranov, L. Cameron, A. Cristia, A. Delavande, P. Grosjean, X. Hu and S. Walker.

- We conduct an RCT of child-directed speech. See video [here](#), and a JPAL-blog post on measuring speech using USB recording devices and machine learning [here](#).
- Pre-Analysis Plan: Baranov, Victoria et al. 2025. “Child human capital production: A field experiment in the Solomon Islands and East Timor.” AEA RCT Registry. March 27. <https://doi.org/10.1257/rct.4116-4.0>

“Evaluation of a Conditional Cash Transfer Program for Young Adults at Risk of Homelessness”, w/ S. Marchand

- Pre-Analysis Plan: Contreras Suarez, Diana and Steeve Marchand. 2025. “We are Mobilise: Homelessness risk study.” AEA RCT Registry. May 21. <https://doi.org/10.1257/rct.15420-1.0>

“Intergenerational Transmission of Gender Attitudes and Children’s Schooling, Employment and Marriage Aspirations”, w/ T. Igarashi, T. Molina, D. Setyonaluri and D. Suryadarma.

“Homelessness perceptions in Australia”, w/ S. Marchand and K. Peyton

PERMANENTLY ARCHIVED PROJECTS

“Skills mismatch and earning differences for tertiary educated Indonesians”, w/ A. Alisjahbana and P. Pitriyan.

“Gender Wage Gap in Indonesia – a distributional analysis of the formal and informal sector”, w/ L. Cameron

“Experimental evaluations of the impacts of new social housing in New South Wales, Australia”, w/ G. Kalb et al., CEI, Circa Research.

“Gestational diabetes and mothers and newborn outcomes in Australia”, w/ A. Scott and D. Jun.

INVITED TALKS AND SEMINARS

2025 Monash University (x2), ADBI
2024 University Technology of Sydney, Australian National University
2023 World Bank, George Washington University (x2), IFPRI, IADB
2022 World Bank
2021 Department of Treasury of Australia, World Bank, Indonesia Update–guest speaker
2018 Padjadjaran University, Monash University.
2014–2017 RMIT 2017 (x2), Australian National University (x3), Universidad de los Andes, Melbourne Institute.

CONFERENCE AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

2026: AGEW (presenter and discussant), World Bank, Australasian Workshop on Econometrics and Health Economics (discussant), ESPE, Barcelona Summer Forum (Economics of Families, Gender and Work).
2025: ADEA, ESPE, EcoStat, Colombian Economist Conference – U. Andes
2024: AGEW (presenter and discussant), Health and Wellbeing workshop, Econometrics and Health Economics (discussant), CDES Sustainable Development Conference, KVS NPS, Econometric Society Australasian Meeting, AASLE.
2023: NBER – Gender Meeting; Asia-Pacific ESA (virtual), AASLE.
2022: Australian Conference of Economists; Gender, Norms, and Economics Workshop – U. Melbourne; Australian Gender Economics Workshop (Discussant).
2021: Australian Development Economics Workshop (presenter and discussant), Australian Health Economics Society Conference, Australian Conference of Economists, Australian Gender Economics Workshop (discussant), PKH studies workshop organized by World Bank.
2020: Economics of Health and Wellbeing – Monash.
2019: Australian Gender Economics Workshop – RMIT University (presenter and discussant); Australasian Development Economics Workshop – UWA,
2018: 3rd Centre for Social Data Analytics workshop – Auckland University; Australian Gender Economics Workshop – Curtin University (presenter and discussant); Workshop on Current Development Challenges – Monash University (Discussant); 22nd Biennial Conference of the Asian Studies Association of Australia – Sydney University; EUHEA – Maastricht University; AHES – Hobart (Australia); Indonesia's Inequalities – University of Melbourne.
2017: Sustainable development workshop – Monash University Prato, Australasian Development Economics Workshop – UNSW, AHES – Macquarie University.
2016: Royal Economic Society – University of Sussex, Australasian Development Economics Workshop – Deakin, Summer School for Development Economics – IDEAs (Italy), Sustainable development workshop – Monash University Prato, Workshop Eliciting Subjective Beliefs and Risk and Time Preferences in Developing Countries – Georgia State University, Latin American and Caribbean Economics Association Meeting – EAFIT.
2015: Workshop for Emerging Economies – UNSW, Australasian Development Economics Workshop – Monash, Workshop on Human Heights and Economic Development – ANU.
2014: Australasian Development Economics Workshop – University of Western Australia.
2013: NEUDC – Harvard University, AHES Conference, AHED Workshop, Universidad del Rosario.
2012: Econometric Society Australasian Meeting, Australian Health Economics Society Conference.

POLICY TALKS

2026: Paul Ramsay Foundation, DFAT
2025: Paul Ramsay Foundation, We Are Mobilise, Timor-Leste National Institute of Health, Australian Aid Conference
2024: The Asia Foundation – Timor Leste.
2023: World Bank
2022: Ministry of Women's Empowerment, PROSPERA (Australia Indonesia Partnership for Economic Development), Australian Embassy in Jakarta.
2021: Workshop on Indonesian Conditional Cash Transfer Studies. World Bank Jakarta (Virtual), Soroptimist International, ANU Indonesia Institute

- 2020: Melbourne Institute Colloquium: The consequences of Child Marriage in Indonesia. (Melbourne & Jakarta online)
Impact Evaluation of PKH Benefit Level and Structure Changes in 2019. (Ministry of Social Affairs of Indonesia and BAPPENAS online)
- 2018: Women's Economic potential in Indonesia: MAMPU Regional Dialogue – Leave no SHE behind – A Women-Centered Approach to End Poverty, Inequality and to Achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in Indonesia, Jakarta – *Keynote Speaker*
Evaluation of social and economic programs: How do we really improve outcomes? (roundtable): Australian Outlook Conference, Melbourne.
- 2017: Women's Transitions in the Labour Market (BAPPENAS – Indonesia National Planning Office)
Disability Coordination Meeting: Linking Strategies in Addressing Disabilities in Social Protection Program in Indonesia (MAHKOTA) – *Keynote Speaker*
- 2016: Women's Economic Empowerment: Labour Force Participation, Projections and Youth Unemployment (BAPPENAS– Indonesia National Planning Office)
FGD on Female Labour Force Participation (FPLP) and Female Transition in Labour Market (BAPPENAS– Indonesia National Planning Office)
- 2015: FGD on Gender Inequality in Indonesia: Female participation in the labour market (BAPPENAS– Indonesia National Planning Office)
- 2013: Conditional Cash Transfers in Colombia: Nutrition and Development effects (DNP– Colombia National Planning Office)

POLICY REPORTS AND BRIEFS

- "Household Level findings from the 2023 Socio-Economic and Wellbeing Survey in Timor-Leste" w/ L. Cameron, Bhatia H., Salazar Salame H. The Asia Foundation and The University of Melbourne. (2024).
- "Mobilise Matched: Impact Evaluation Feasibility Report" w/ Y. Zhong. The University of Melbourne (2024)
- "Final Report for the NSW Land and Housing Corporation Future Directions Implementation Projects (LAHC FDI) Program" w/ G. Kalb, L. Cameron, B. Broadway, N. Hérault, J. Moschion, Y. Tseng, F. Botha, et al. Melbourne: The University of Melbourne. (2024).
- "Final Report for the Strategy and Program Evaluations Social and Affordable Housing Fund (SAHF) Evaluation" w/ G. Kalb, L. Cameron, N. Hérault, J. Moschion, Y. Tseng, B. Broadway, F. Botha, M. Ruiz, et al. Melbourne: The University of Melbourne. (2024).
- "Final Reports for the Strategy and Program Evaluations Social Housing Management Transfer (SHMT) Evaluation" w/ G. Kalb, L. Cameron, Y. Tseng, B. Broadway, N. Hérault, J. Moschion, F. Botha, et al. Melbourne: The University of Melbourne. (2024).
- "Future Directions Evaluation: Programs and Strategy Final Report for the Future Directions Strategy Evaluation" w/ G. Kalb, L. Cameron, B. Broadway, N. Hérault, J. Moschion, Y. Tseng, F. Botha, et al. Melbourne: The University of Melbourne. (2024).
- "Interim Report for the Social and Affordable Housing Fund (SAHF) Evaluation". w/ G. Kalb, L. Cameron, N. Hérault, J. Moschion, Y. Tseng, J. Meekes, F. Botha, R. Samarage, et al. Melbourne: The University of Melbourne. (2021).
- "Interim Report for the NSW Land and Housing Corporation Future Directions Implementation Projects (LAHC FDI) Evaluation". w/ G. Kalb, L. Cameron, N. Hérault, J. Moschion, Y. Tseng, J. Meekes, F. Botha, R. Samarage, et al. Melbourne: The University of Melbourne. (2021).
- "Interim Report for the Social Housing Management Transfer (SHMT) Evaluation". w/ G. Kalb, L. Cameron, N. Hérault, J. Moschion, Y. Tseng, J. Meekes, F. Botha, R. Samarage, et al. Melbourne: The University of Melbourne. (2021).
- "Interim Report for the Future Directions Strategy Evaluation". w/ G. Kalb, L. Cameron, N. Hérault, J. Moschion, Y. Tseng, J. Meekes, F. Botha, R. Samarage, et al. Melbourne: The University of Melbourne. (2021).
- "Impact Evaluation of (Indonesian Conditional Cash Transfer) PKH Benefit Level and Structure Changes in 2019" w/ L. Cameron, J. Pixten, C. Sun and T. Putri. Report generated for the World Bank. (2020)

"The Consequences of Child Marriage in Indonesia" w/ L. Cameron and S. Wiecekiewicz. *Research Insights*, No 25/20, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economics and Social Research, The University of Melbourne. (2020). Also available in Indonesian "Konsekuensi Perkawinan Anak di Indonesia".

"Consequences of Child Marriage in Indonesia" w/ L. Cameron and S. Wiecekiewicz. University of Melbourne/MAMPU. (2020)

"How can Indonesia increase female workforce participation?" w/ L. Cameron. *Research Insights*, No 03/20, Melbourne Institute: Applied Economics and Social Research, The University of Melbourne. (2020)

"Future Directions Evaluation – Initial Report for the Strategy and Program Evaluations: Exploring the Administrative Data" w/ G. Kalb, L. Cameron, N. Hérault, Y. Tseng, J. Meekes, F. Botha, J. Moschion, et al. (2020)

"Future Directions Evaluation – Evaluation Plans for the Strategy and Program Evaluations: Five parts" w/ G. Kalb, L. Cameron, N. Hérault, J. Moschion, Y. Tseng, J. Meekes, M. Guillou, et al. (2019).

"Cash Transfers and Intimate Partner Violence – A Review of the Literature" w/ V. Baranov, L. Cameron and C. Thibout. (2018)

"Women's transitions in the labour market around Marriage and Childbearing" w/ L. Cameron. Monash/AIPEG/DFAT. (2017)

"Disability in Indonesia: What can we learn from the data?" w/ L. Cameron. Monash/AIPEG/DFAT. (2017)

"Women's Economic Participation in Indonesia: A study of gender inequality in employment, entrepreneurship, and key enablers for change" w/ L. Cameron. Monash/AIPEG/DFAT. (2017)

"Technical Note: Is the increase in Indonesia's 2012 maternal mortality ratio due to methodological differences?" w/ L. Cameron and K. Cornwell. MAMPU/DFAT. (2016)

"Understanding the maternal mortality in Indonesia using the 2010 Population Census and 2011 Village Census" w/ L. Cameron and K. Cornwell. Report prepared for MAMPU/DFAT. (2016)

"Conditional Cash Transfers, Time Preferences & Educational Aspirations" w/ L. Cameron. Policy Insights, Centre for Development Economics and Sustainability, Monash University (2016).

"IMPACT Clubs: An examination of the evidence to increase employability among young adults" w/ K. Williams. World Vision Australia (2014).

"Youth Engagement through Employment and Entrepreneurship: A Review of Implemented Models and Opportunities" w/ K. Williams. World Vision Australia (2013).

"Long term impact of the Conditional Cash Transfer program – Familias en Accion – in municipalities of less than 100 thousand inhabitants in the key factors for human capital development" (Original in Spanish). w/ O. Attanasio et al. Institute for Fiscal Studies – Econometria Consultores – SEI (2012)

MEDIA ENGAGEMENT AND COVERAGE

"Vanuatu aims to send money directly to each family using a blockchain-based app" interview on cash transfers for ABC Pacific 2023

"Pandemic times not all bad for household relationships", Roy Morgan, August 11 2022

"What's keeping women out of work?", Pursuit, 9 March 2020

"Why Indonesia's wealth isn't translating into jobs for women", The Conversation, 10 March 2020

"Mengapa pertumbuhan ekonomi Indonesia tidak menambah jumlah pekerja perempuan", The Conversation, 10 March 2020

"Women worldwide" Women are the business Podcast (Awarded the best business podcast in Australia in 2020), May 2020. Media coverage by Women's Agenda.

"Millions of people with disabilities missing out on essential support in Indonesia" FBE – Newsroom, 10 Jul. 2019

Coverage by: Femina, 9 August 2018; Jakarta Post 13 March 2018; BBC 22 December 2017; and Jakarta Post 9 November 2017.

RESEARCH INCOME, SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

"Unconditional Cash Transfer trial evaluation design" w/S. Marchand (AUD\$171,452) 2026. Paul Ramsay Foundation

"Extended care reforms: Preventing youth homelessness and supporting transitions" w/S. Marchand (AUD\$20,000) 2025–2026. 2025 ARC and Large External Grant Support Package FBE University of Melbourne.

“Impact evaluation of Mobilise Matched – Cash Transfer”, Lead CI in the partnership between We Are Mobilise and MIASER w/S. Marchand and D. Schutte. (AUD\$300,000) 2025–2027, Paul Ramsay Foundation

“The determinants of Stunting in Timor-Leste” Lead CI (AUD\$115,000) 2024–2025, TAF-TL and University of Melbourne

“The role of labor market information and gender norms in shaping post-secondary education choices: Exploratory study” w/ T. Molina, D. Setyonaluri and D. Suryadarma. (USD\$30,000) 2024–2025 ADBI.

“Bolsa de Mãe Jersaun Faun Base Line Evaluation” Lead CI in the partnership between The Asia Foundation and MIASER w/ L. Cameron. (~AUD\$1,200,000) 2023–2024 DFAT.

“Impact evaluation feasibility of a cash transfer to homeless in Australia” Lead CI (AUD\$61,600), 2023–2024 We are Mobilise.

“Social norms and women’s labor force participation in Indonesia” w/L. Cameron. (USD\$50,000) 2022, World Bank.

“Social Norms and Women’s Labour Market Participation” w/ L. Cameron. (USD\$85,000) 2021–2022, J-PAL Southeast Asia (J-PAL SEA) Indonesia RCT Fund (IRF).

“Impact Evaluation of the Hopeful Family Program (PKH) Benefit Level and Structure Changes in 2019” w/ L. Cameron. (USD\$33,000) 2019–2020, The World Bank

“Child Marriage in Indonesia” w/ L. Cameron. (A\$209,600) 2019–2020. DFAT – administered through the Australia-Indonesia Partnership for Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment (MAMPU).

“The Healthier Wealthier Families program: addressing child poverty through better healthcare systems –pilot RCT”, w/ S. Goldfeld, M. Kelaher, A. Price and A. Zhu, (A\$200,000) 2018–2021, Helen Macpherson Smith Trust

“Future Directions Evaluation: Strategy and program evaluation of the public housing in NSW” A partnership between MIAESR, CEI, CIRCA, RMIT & Monash University. 2019 – 2022, NSW Government, Family and Community Services.

“Does More Information Results in Better Health Care? Evidence from NBN Expansion in Australia.”, w/ G. Aschwanden and A. Zaresani (A\$9,988.44.) 2018–2019 ESPRit Hallmark Seed Funding Scheme University of Melbourne.

“Theoretical explanations for socioeconomic inequalities in multi-morbidity among adults”, w/ A. Singh, T. King and E. You (A\$14,258.38) 2018–2019 ESPRit Hallmark Seed Funding Scheme University of Melbourne.

“Social protection programs and children’s development” (A\$24,964) 2018 University of Melbourne ECR Grant.

“Cash Transfers and Violence against Women”, w/ L. Cameron, V. Baranov, C. Thibout and F. Witoelar (A\$161,597) 2017 – 2018. Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT).

“Gender wage differences and skills mismatch”, w/ A. Alisjahbana and P. Pitriyan. (A\$9,000) 2017–2018, ANU Indonesia Project and SMERU Research Institute Research Grant.

“Disability in Indonesia”, w/ L. Cameron. (A\$65,000) 2016–2017. DFAT – administered through the Australia Indonesia Partnership for Economic Governance (AIPEG).

“Gender Inequality in Indonesia”, w/ L. Cameron. (A\$320,000) 2016–2017. DFAT – administered through the (AIPEG).

Travel Scholarship, CDES–Monash 2017 (A\$2,000); Travel Scholarship, CDES–Monash 2016 (A\$2,000); Travel Scholarship, ADEW 2013 (A\$1,500); Travel Scholarship, Monash University 2013 (A\$3,000); Travel scholarship, AHES 2012 and 2013 (A\$3,000); Faculty Postgraduate Research Scholarship, Monash

PRIZES, HONOURS AND AWARDS

Dean’s Research Engagement & Partnership Award, University of Melbourne 2020;
Faculty Postgraduate Research Scholarship, Monash University 2011–2014.

SUPERVISION

Abhirupa Das (PhD) 2025 –
Md Moniruzzaman (PhD) 2021–2024 (placement: University of Dhaka)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Executive Education

Extending evaluation capabilities for program evaluation in Cambodia (Office of the Council of Ministers and others) 2025

Government Performance Diploma Program for the UAE's Ministry of Cabinet Affairs & the Future Prime Minister's Office 2019

Lecturer

Business Statistics, Monash University 2015, 2016 (Undergraduate)

Techniques of Economic Measurement, Universidad Javeriana – 2009 (Undergraduate)

Introductory Microeconomics, Universidad Del Rosario – 2009 (Undergraduate)

Introductory Econometrics, Universidad Autonoma – 2008, 2009 (Undergraduate)

Teacher Associate

Computing and data modelling, Monash University – 2013, 2014 (Undergraduate)

Business and Economics statistics, Monash University – 2012 (Undergraduate)

Quantitative Methods, Universidad Nacional de Colombia – 2003, 2004 (Undergraduate and postgraduate).

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Committees:

Gender Lab University of Melbourne, executive committee (2024-)

Australasian Development Economics Workshop, executive committee (2024-)

Scientific committee Australian Gender Economics Workshop (2020 – 2022, 2024-2026)

Scientific committee Australian Conference of Economists (2026)

Centre for Development Economics and Sustainability – Advisory Committee (July 2015 – June 2017)

Conference organiser: Gender Lab retreat (2025), ADEW 2024 (Chair), Annual Health Economics Workshop – University of Melbourne (2017)

Seminar coordinator: Melbourne Institute's Seminars, Professional Development and Social Committee (2018 – 2019 *Chair), Applied Microeconomics/Development – Monash university (2015, 2016).

Refereeing: Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Health Economics, Health Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, World Development, Journal of Development Studies, International Journal of Development Education, Education Economics, Bulletin of Indonesian Economic Studies, Economic Papers, Journal of Youth Studies, The Economic Record, Economic Modelling, Social Indicators research, Migration Studies, Poverty & Public Policy, BMC Health Service Research.

MEMBERSHIPS

Australasian Development Economics Association (ADEA)

Economic Society of Australia (ESA) & Women in Economics (WEN)

Australian Health Economics Society (AHES)

Global Labor Organization (GLO)

Asian & Australasian Society of Labour Economics (AASLE)

Research Technical Assistance Center (RTAC) Network

OTHER EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Parkville Global Advisory, Consultant (Aug 2012 – Feb 2013)

University of Melbourne, Research Assistant (Feb 2010 – Mar 2011)

Fedesarrollo, Research Assistant (Apr 2008 – Dec 2009)

DANE (Colombian Bureau of Statistics), Survey Design Project Consultant (Feb 2006 – Apr 2008)

VOLUNTEER WORK

WORLD VISION AUSTRALIA, Economic Development Researcher (Nov 2012 – Mar 2014)