Muhammad Bashir

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EDUCATION	**University of California, Berkeley**

- PhD Economics — Aug 2024 –

University of Manchester

- MSc Economics *with Distinction and John Stewart Prize* — Sep 2021 –Sep 2022
  - Awarded John Stewrt Prize for outstanding performance in three Econometrics courses in the MSc Economics class of more than 150 students.

Lahore University of Management Sciences, Lahore, Pakistan
School of Science and Engineering-Department of Mathematics

- BS in Economics and Mathematics (Joint) *with high distinction* — Aug 2017 – Jun 2021

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Public Economics, Macroeconomics, State Capacity, Industrial Organization

WORKING PAPERS

- A Tax based Model of Informality, *MSc Economics Thesis*
- Intended and Unintended Consequences of Anti-avoidance Rules: Evidence from Uganda with Usama Jamal (Manchester), Kyle McNabb (ODI) and Mazhar Waseem (CEPR, IFS, Manchester)

WORK IN PROGRESS

- A Tale of two Thresholds: Dynamic Implications of Size-based Taxation with Zehra Farooq(Tulane), Usama Jamal(Manchester) and Mazhar Waseem(Manchester, CEPR, IFS)

RESEARCH GRANTS

- UNU-Wider Analysis on firms and taxation using micro data from Uganda grant for project "Intended and Unintended Consequences of Anti-avoidance Rules: Evidence from Uganda" joint with Usama Jamal, Kyle McNabb and Mazhar Waseem
  Sep 2022 - Dec 2023, $10,000
- ICTD grant for project "Intended and Unintended Consequences of Anti-avoidance Rules: Evidence from Uganda" joint with Usama Jamal, Kyle McNabb and Mazhar Waseem
  Jan 2024 - Jan 2026, £25,000
- IGC grant for project "Intended and Unintended Consequences of Anti-avoidance Rules: Evidence from Uganda" joint with Usama Jamal, Kyle McNabb and Mazhar Waseem
  Jan 2024 - Jan 2026, £29,000

WORK EXPERIENCE

Columbia University in City of New York
Staff Associate I/ Predoctoral Research Fellow in Economics — Sep 2022 - Jul 2024

- I worked for Professors Michael Carlos Best and Jack J. Willis in Department of Economics. Most of my work was in Public Finance and Development Economics.

HONORS & AWARDS

- December 2022: John Stewart Prize for Econometrics for outstanding performance in Econometrics modules of MSc Economics program by the University of Manchester.
- September 2022: Weiss Fund for Development Economics Kabir Banerjee Predoctoral Fellowship Finalist at University of Chicago
- September 2021: School of Social Sciences Scholarship for MSc Economics, University of Manchester, tuition waiver and £15600 stipend
- 2020: Participated in Annual South Asian Economics Students Meet
- 2018 AFINITI Limited Scholarship awarded to outstanding Mathematics student at LUMS
- 2017: National Outreach Program Scholarship at LUMS, Lahore(PKR 4.1 Million)

LANGUAGES

- English(Fluent), Punjabi (native) & Urdu(native)

SKILLS

Programs

- STATA(Advanced), Python(Proficient), Julia(Basic), Eviews(Introductory), MATLAB(Proficient) RStudio(Intermediate), C++(Basic), LaTeX(Intermediate), Slurn and Cluster Management (Intermediate)

CITIZENSHIP   Pakistan