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Education

2016	Master of Social Sciences (MSS)	Institute of Social Welfare and Research University of Dhaka, Bangladesh CGPA 3.88/4.00
2015	Bachelor of Social Sciences (BSS)	Institute of Social Welfare and Research University of Dhaka, Bangladesh CGPA 3.62/4.00

Research and Teaching Interest

Elderly people, gender and women violence, migration, disaster management, public health

Professional and Academic Positions

September 2021- Present	Head Department of Social Welfare Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh
July 2021- Present	Assistant Professor Department of Social Welfare Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh
July 2018- June 2021	Lecturer Department of Social Welfare Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh
March 2019- February 2020	House Tutor Khaleda Zia Hall Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh

Research Experience

1. Challenges of the elderly widows in rural Bangladesh: a case study (Master's thesis, 2016)
2. Societal attitudes towards elderly widows in rural Bangladesh (Masters research project, 2016)
3. Village Court as an Alternative justice system in Bangladesh (Bachelor project, 2015)

University Grants Commission (UGC) Funding Project

1. Elder Abuse and Neglect: A Study of Perceptions and Attitudes among Elderly People in Rural Bangladesh. Year: July 2023 to July 2024

Peer-Reviewed Publication

Citations= 82; *h-index*= 1; *i10-index*= 1

1. Perceptions of public university students towards online classes during COVID-19 pandemic in Bangladesh. (2021), Front.Educ.6: 703723.doi:10.3389/educ.2021.703723
2. Challenges of the elderly widows in rural Bangladesh: a case study. Vol.53-54, October 2019, ISSN: 1012-9197
3. Situation of older women in rural Bangladesh: a case study. Vol. 25, 208, ISSN: 1029-7804

Reviewer of Peer Reviewed Journal

1. Reviewer at Frontiers in Education Higher Education,
2. Frontiers in Psychiatry Public Mental Health,
3. Frontiers in Psychology Educational Psychology,
4. Frontiers in Public Health Public Health Education and Promotion,
5. Frontiers in Education Assessment, Testing and Applied Measurement.

Awards and Achievement

1. Awarded Dhaka University Academic Merit List Scholarship for Excellent Academic Result in undergraduate level- 2015.
2. Awarded Jessore Education Board Scholarship for Excellent Results in the Higher Secondary Certificate (H.S.C.) exam -2010.
3. Awarded Jessore Education Board Scholarship for Excellent Results in the Secondary School Certificate (S.S.C.) exam -2008.

Teaching Experience

Course Taught

BSW(Honors)

1. **BSW 1103- History and Philosophy of Social Welfare (3 credits)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 1st Year 1st Semester, Session: 2023-2024, 2022-2023, 2021-2022
2. **BSW 1105- Psychological Aspects of Human Behavior (3 credits)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 1st Year 1st Semester, Session: 2023-2024, 2022-2023, 2021-2022
3. **BSW 1201-Principle of Sociology (Credit 3)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 1st Year 2nd Semester, Session: 2021-2022, 2020-2021, 2019-2020
4. **BSW 2107-Crime, Victim and Correctional Support (3 credits)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 2nd Year 1st Semester, Session: 2021-2022, 2020-2021, 2019-2020
5. **BSW 2109- Political Institutions and Welfare State (3 credits)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 2nd Year 1st Semester, Session: 2021-2022, 2020-2021, 2019-2020
6. **BSW 202- Rural and Urban Development in Bangladesh (Credit 3)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 2nd Year 1st Semester, Session: 2020-2021, 2019-2020
7. **BSW 208- Community Organization and Community Development (Credit 3)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 2nd Year 2nd Semester, Session: 2018-2019, 2017-2018
8. **BSW 209- Social Development and Social Work (Credit 3)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 2nd Year 2nd Semester, Session: 2020-2021, 2019-2020, 2018-2019
9. **BSW 302- Project Planning and Project Management (Credit 3)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare

- 80 students, 3rd Year 1st Semester, Session: 2019-2020, 2018-2019, 2017-2018
10. **BSW 309- Social work Strategies (Credit 3)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 3rd Year 2nd Semester, Session: 2019-2020, 2018-2019, 2017-2018
 11. **BSW 310- Socio-Cultural Parameters of Health and Disease (Credit 3)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 3rd Year 2nd Semester, Session: 2019-2020, 2018-2019, 2017-2018
 12. **BSW 401- Concepts and Theories of Social Work (Credit 3)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 4th Year 1st Semester, Session: 2019-2020, 2018-2019, 2017-2018
 13. **BSW 402- Social Policy, Planning and Welfare Functions (Credit 3)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 4th Year 1st Semester, Session: 2019-2020, 2018-2019, 2017-2018
 14. **BSW 402- Social Policy, Planning and Welfare Functions (Credit 3)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
80 students, 4th Year 2nd Semester, Session: 2018-2019, 2017-2018

MSW (Masters)

1. **MSW 5109- Statistics in Social Research (Credit 3)**
Master of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
60 students, MSW 1st Year 1st Semester, Session: 2021-2022
2. **MSW 51011- Clinical Social Work (Credit 3)**
Master of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
60 students, MSW 1st Year 1st Semester, Session: 2021-2022

MSW Field Work Instructor and Supervisor

June 2024- present **Social Service Office (Government of Bangladesh)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
30 students, MSW 1st Year 1st Semester, Session: 2021-2022

BSW Field Work Instructor and Supervisor

March 2023- August 2023 **Social Service Office (Government of Bangladesh)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
21 Students, 4th Year 2nd Semester, Session: 2017-2018

February 2024- present **Social Service Office (Government of Bangladesh)**
Bachelor of Social Welfare, Islamic University Department of Social Welfare
21 Students, 4th Year 2nd Semester, Session: 2018-2019

Academic Project Supervision

BSW Students Independent Study (Supervisor) 2023

<i>Name</i>	<i>Design/Area</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Outcomes</i>
Md. Raziul Islam	Quantitative	Association between food habits and academic performances among undergraduate public university students in Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2023</i>

Abdullah Miah	Qualitative	Impact of social isolation and loneliness among elderly individuals in rural communities of Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Arif Ullah	Quantitative	Nutritional status and dietary patterns among elderly population in Bangladesh: a cross-sectional study	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Syed Akiful Alom	Qualitative	Elder abuse and neglect: a study on prevalence and risk factors in Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Md Mamun Ali	Qualitative	Challenges and resiliency of older adults in heatwaves of Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Muzahid Sultan Mahmud	Qualitative	Assessing the effectiveness of NGOs interventions in enhancing women's empowerment in Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Afsan Jani	Mixed Method	Village court system in Bangladesh: an analysis of its role in access to justice and dispute resolution	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Roknujjaman	Quantitative	Exploring the role of education in combating child labor in Bangladesh: a case study	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Md Omar Faruk	Quantitative	Socio-economic conditions and occupational hazards faced by industrial workers in Kushtia district of Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Akib Zaman Deep	Quantitative	Role of family support in academic achievement and well-being of university students in Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Md Shohan Ali	Quantitative	Analyzing the challenges and opportunities of online learning in the Bangladeshi Context	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Md Shibli Sadik	Quantitative	Assessment of socioeconomic factors influencing tobacco farming practices in Kushtia District of Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Afrin Jahan Rima	Qualitative	Sociocultural Barriers and Empowerment Strategies for Handicapped Girls in Bangladesh: A Case Study	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Mst Fahima Khatun	Quantitative	Understanding the impact of financial stress on tertiary level students in Bangladesh: a quantitative analysis	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Nayema Tasnim	Quantitative	Role of social media in education opportunities, challenges, and implications for students	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Suraya Noor Arna	Quantitative	Impact of financial stress on academic performance and mental health of university students in Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Mst Afsana Mimi Mitu	Quantitative	Impact of campus culture on sexual assault among tertiary level students	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Rumki Khatun	Quantitative	An analysis of the prevalence and impact of sexual harassment in Bangladesh: a societal perspective	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Shanta Khatun	Quantitative	Understanding the educational challenges and opportunities for adolescent girls in rural Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Rabeka Sultana	Mixed Method	Examining the impact of early marriage on the health and well-being of adolescent girls in Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2023</i>
Muslima Akter Monmon	Quantitative	Exploring the relationship between social media use and loneliness: a cross-generational perspective	<i>Completed 2023</i>

BSW Students Independent Study (Supervisor) 2024

<i>Name</i>	<i>Design/Area</i>	<i>Title</i>	<i>Outcomes</i>
Abdullah Al Galib	Quantitative	Mental health challenges among adolescents in Bangladesh: A cross sectional study.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Md. Abu Bokkor Siddik	Qualitative	Examining the Socio-Economic Determinants of Child Labor in Bangladesh: A Comprehensive Analysis	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Md. Khokon Ali	Qualitative	Child labor in Bangladesh: unraveling the Role of cultural and societal factors.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Baizid Hossen	Qualitative	Gender inequality in the workplace: Exploring Factors and Solutions in Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Sobuj Ahmed	Qualitative	Gender dimensions of migration: Analyzing the experience of female migrant workers.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Tonmoy Baidya	Mixed Method	Socio-economic impact of riverbank erosion and sustainable disaster management in Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Masud Ahmed	Qualitative	Examining the mental health status of elderly women in Bangladesh: A community based study.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Md Nayeef Hasan Nishan	Quantitative	A Comprehensive Study on the Prevalence and Risk Factors of Child Abuse and Neglect in Urban and Rural Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Md. Akash Mondol	Quantitative	Examining the effects of socioeconomic status on academic achievement among university students in Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Al-amin ruku	Qualitative	Prevalence of depression among female university students in Bangladesh: an in-depth analysis.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Anik Mondol	Qualitative	Exploring the role of social media in Facilitating Cyberbullying: A study in the context of Islamic Universities.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Md. Ariful Islam	Quantitative	Exploring the impact of economic disparities on University students mental health : A study in the context of Islamic	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Sohanur Hossain	Quantitative.	Exploring the relationship between extracurricular involvement and academic success among University students in Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Mahfuja Akter Mini	Mixed method	Exploring the Role of Non-Governmental Organizations in Fostering Gender Equality and Women's Empowerment in Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Prerona Samiha Sneha	Mixed Method	Social media and education: Exploring the integration of online platforms among Bangladeshi students.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Sabrina Easmin	Qualitative	Exploring the socio-economic challenges faced by elderly widows in rural Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Subrina Islam	Qualitative	Social media and cyber-bullying: A case study of adolescents in Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Tanjum Hasan	Qualitative	Influence of Education on Gender violence awareness and prevention in Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Anik Mondol	Qualitative	Exploring the role of social media in Facilitating Cyberbullying: A study in the context of Islamic Universities.	<i>Completed 2024</i>

Tajin Ahamed Oishe	Quantitative.	Impact of unethical practice of social media on young generation of Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Yesmin Sultana Nipa	Qualitative	Impact of globalization and local cultures and identities in Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Shaila Haque	Qualitative	Impact of divorce on the psychological wellbeing of children in the context of Bangladesh	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Anindita Chakroborty Jaba	Qualitative	Examining the role of cultural norms in perpetuating gender violence in Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Ferjana Afrin Prova	Mixed Method	Impact of cyber bullying on mental health: An investigation into Social media platforms into Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Somaya Sabrin	Qualitative	Healthcare challenges and resilience among elderly women in rural Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Afsana Haque Nipa	Mixed Method	Elderly Widows and Access to Healthcare Services: A Comparative Analysis in Different Regions of Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Arfin Jannat	Qualitative	Healthcare access and quality of life among elderly population in Bangladesh: A comprehensive study.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Sabira Haque	Quantitative	Elder abuse in Bangladesh: Prevalence, risk factors and protective measures.	<i>Completed 2024</i>
Md Saiful Islam	Mixed Method	Understanding the socio economic impact: a comprehensive analysis of poverty's influence on child development and educational outcomes in Bangladesh.	<i>Completed 2024</i>

International/National Conference/Seminar/Workshop/Presentations

Conference

1. Participant & paper presenter titled, “Challenges of the elderly widows in rural Bangladesh: a case study” at **7th ICSDAP Biennial Conference on “Social Unrest, Peace and Development”** organized by Department of Social Welfare, Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh, held on 14-15th September 2019.

Seminar

1. Emcee in an International Seminar on **“Field Work in Social Work”** organized by the Department of Social Welfare, Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh, held on 28th August 2019.

Workshops

1. Attended as a Participant in a Workshop on Research Methodology and Conducting e-research organized by the Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh, held on 31st July 2019.
2. Attended as a Participant in a Workshop on Writing Academically and Self Editing organized by Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Islamic University, Kushtia- 7003, Bangladesh, held on 27th July 2019.
3. Attended as a Participant in a Workshop on Curriculum Design and Review for the faculties of Arts and Social Sciences organized by Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh, held on 26th June 2019.
4. Attended as a Participant in a Workshop on Bloom’s Taxonomy of Learning Objectives in Higher Education organized by Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh, held on 16th February 2019.

5. Attended as a Participant in a Stakeholder Workshop on Quality Assurance organized by the Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh, held on 13th October 2018.

Training

1. Training on Teaching Strategies for Tertiary Education organized by Institutional Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh, held on 27th March 2019.

Professional Development Training

1. Online Research Course Mastering Qualitative Research Methodology and Data Analysis using NVivo Software by Centre for Advanced Social Research - May 2024
2. An Online Research Course on Basic to Advanced topics arranged by Research Help Bangladesh will run from 01 May to 25 July 2023.
3. Online Training Workshop on Modern Research Methods by Professor Dr. Md. Nazrul Islam, Department of Geography and Environment, Jahangirnagar University, Savar, Dhaka-1342, Bangladesh, duration 12 June to 27 June 2020.
4. Online Training on Statistics with SPSS organized by SRCBD, duration 24 July to 4 September 2020.

Language Proficiency

1. Mother tongue: Bangla
2. English: Finished 1 Year Junior Certificate Course in English from the Institute of Modern Languages, University of Dhaka

Software Skills

1. Documentation and Presentation: Microsoft Office, PowerPoint
2. Database and Spreadsheet: MS Excel
3. Data Analysis Tool: SPSS, NVivo

Extra-Curricular Activities

1. Member, Organizing Committee, 7th ICSDAP Biennial Conference on “Social Unrest, Peace and Development” organized by the Department of Social Welfare, Islamic University, Kushtia-7003, Bangladesh, held on 14-15 September 2019.
2. Member at Swapno Kurai, a voluntary social service organization.

Research Journal Manuscript Peer-Reviewer

1. 1 Manuscript reviews completed in 2024
2. 2 Manuscript reviews completed in 2023
3. 6 Manuscript reviews completed in 2022

Professional Association

1. Member, International Consortium for Social Development (ICSD), 2019 to present