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Curriculum vitae

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Employment History

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| • Full Teaching Professor, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada. | 2020 - Present |
| • Associate Teaching Professor, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada. | 2019 - 2020 |
| • Faculty Lecturer, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada. | 2014 - 2018 |
| • Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. | 2012 - 2014 |
| • Lecturer, Department of Economics, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. | 2008 - 2011 |
| • Lecturer, Department of Economics, Alexandria University. | 2001 - 2007 |

Education

- **Ph.D. in Economics**, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada, Fall 2012.
- **B.A. & M.A in Economics**, Alexandria University, Egypt.

Research Interest

- Development Economics, Health Economics, Population Economics.

Selected Publications

1. **Sharaf, M.F.**, Rashad, A., & Mansour, E. H. (2019). [Son Preference and Child Under Nutrition in the Arab Countries: Is There a Gender Bias Against Girls?](#) *Middle East Development Journal*, 11(2), 199-219.
2. Rashad, A. S., **Sharaf, M. F.**, & Mansour, E. I. (2019). [Why are Palestinian refugee children shorter than the children of host community in Jordan?](#) *Migration and Development*, 1-13.
3. Rashad, A. S., **Sharaf, M. F.**, & Mansour, E. I. (2019). [Does public health insurance increase maternal health care utilization in Egypt?](#) *Journal of International Development*, 31(6), 516-520.

4. Rashad, A. S., **Sharaf, M. F.**, and Mansour, E.I (2019). [Does Income Inequality Increase Violence Against Women? An Instrumental Variable Approach](#). *The European Journal of Development Research*, 31(4), 779-808.
5. Rashad, A., & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2019). [Does Maternal Employment Affect Child Nutrition Status? New Evidence from Egypt](#). *Oxford Development Studies*, 47(1), 48-62.
6. **Sharaf, M.F.**, & Rashad, A.S. (2018). [Socioeconomic Inequalities in Infant Mortality in Egypt: Analyzing Trends between 1995 and 2014](#). *Social Indicators Research*, 137(3), 1185-1199.
7. Rashad, A.S. & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2018). [Does Economic Growth Reduce Child Malnutrition? New Evidence from National Demographic and Health Survey](#). *Social Indicators Research*, 135(2), 769-795.
8. Rashad, A.S. & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2017). [Socioeconomic Inequalities in Maternity Care: Evidence From Egypt, Jordan and Yemen](#). *Journal of International Development*, 29(8), 1062-1074.
9. **Sharaf, M.F.** (2017). [Energy consumption and economic growth in Egypt: A disaggregated causality analysis with structural breaks](#). *Region et Developpement*, 46, 59-76.
10. **Sharaf, M. F.**, & Rashad, A. S. (2016). [Regional inequalities in child malnutrition in Egypt, Jordan, and Yemen: a Blinder-Oaxaca decomposition analysis](#). *Health Economics Review*, 6(1), 1-11.
11. **Sharaf, M. F.** (2013). [The earnings of immigrants and the quality adjustment of immigrant human capital](#). *IZA Journal of Development and Migration*, 2(1), 1-18.
12. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2011). [The effect of job stress on smoking and alcohol consumption](#). *Health Economics Review*, 1(1), 1-14.

Book Chapters

1. Rashad, A. S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2016). ["Who Benefits from Public Healthcare Subsidies in Egypt?" in Reinventing Healthy Communities: Implications for Individual and Societal Well-Being](#), edited by Jerry D. Marx. Basel: MDPI AG- Multidisciplinary Digital Publishing Institute. (in print).
2. **Sharaf, M.F.** & Mansour, E.I and Rashad, A.S., and (2017). [Healthcare Systems in the Middle East: A Comparative Review](#), eds John Dixon and Ipek Eren-Vural (Westphalia Press, Washington, DC). In press.

Working Papers

1. **Sharaf, M.F.**, Rashad, A.S, & Mansour, E. I. (2019). [Child Under nutrition in the Arab Countries: Is There a Gender Bias against Girls?](#) . University of Alberta, Department of Economics working paper, No 2019-8.
2. Rashad, A., & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2017). [Income Inequality and Violence Against Women: Evidence from India](#). University of Alberta, Department of Economics working paper, No 2017-13.
3. **Sharaf, M.F.**, & Rashad, A.S. (2016). [Economic and Socio-Demographic Determinants of Child Nutritional Status in Egypt: A Comprehensive Analysis using Quantile Regression Approach](#). University of Alberta, Department of Economics working paper, N° 2016-4.
4. Rashad, A.S. & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2016). [Socioeconomic Inequalities in Maternity Care Under Political Instability: Evidence From Egypt, Jordan and Yemen](#). Economic Research Forum (ERF) working papers No 1011.
5. Rashad, A.S. & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2016). [Regional Inequalities in Child Malnutrition in Egypt, Jordan, and Yemen: A Blinder-Oaxaca Decomposition Analysis](#). University of Alberta, Department of Economics working paper, N° 2016-3.
6. Rashad, A. S., **Sharaf, M. F.**, & Mansour, E. I. (2016). [Does public health insurance increase maternal health care utilization in Egypt?](#) (No. 223). Working Paper Series, Frankfurt School of Finance & Management.
7. Rashad, A.S. & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2015). [Catastrophic and impoverishing effects of out-of-pocket health expenditure: New evidence from Egypt](#). Economic Research Forum (ERF) working papers No. 974.

8. **Sharaf, M.F.**, & Tehou, Y.M. (2015). [Fiscal Transparency, Measurement and Determinants: Evidence from 27 Developing Countries](#). University of Alberta, Department of Economics working paper, N° 2015-2.
9. Rashad, A.S. & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2015). [Does Economic Growth Reduce Child Malnutrition? New Evidence from National Demographic and Health Survey](#). University of Alberta, Department of Economics working paper, N° 2015-16.
10. **Sharaf, M.F.**, & Rashad, A.S. (2015). [Socioeconomic Inequalities in Infant Mortality in Egypt: Analyzing Trends between 1995 and 2014](#). University of Alberta, Department of Economics working paper, N° 2015-17.

Refereed Policy Briefs

1. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2016). [Policy Brief No. 8-Cigarette Taxes and Smoking Participation: Evidence from Canadian Tax Increases](#). *Population Change and Lifecourse Strategic Knowledge Cluster Research/Policy Brief*, 1(3), 3.
2. **Sharaf, M.F.**, & Rashad, A.S. (2017). [Sheltering the Poor against Catastrophic Healthcare Payments through Micro Insurance: Lessons from the African Experience](#)” *Economic Research Forum, Policy Brief No 24, May 2017, Cairo, Egypt*.

Presentations in Refereed International Conferences

1. Why are Refugee Children Shorter than the Hosting Population? Evidence from Camps Residents in Jordan. The 14th International Conference on Urban Health. Health Equity: The New Urban Agenda and Sustainable Development Goals, 26-29 September, 2017. Coimbra, Portugal.
2. Energy Consumption and Economic Growth in Egypt: A Disaggregated Causality Analysis with Structural Breaks. Middle East Economic Association’s Fifteenth International Conference, March 23-25, 2016, Doha, Qatar.
3. The Causal Relationship between Immigration and Crime: Evidence from Canada. 49th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, Friday May 29 - Sunday May 31, 2015.
4. Quality Adjustment of Immigrant Human Capital. 47th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, HEC Montréal, Quebec, Canada, May 30 - June 2, 2013.
5. The Combined Effect of Graphic Cigarette Warning Labels and Tax Increases on Smoking: Evidence from the Canadian Experience. Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco annual meeting, Houston, Texas, USA, March 13-16, 2012.
6. The Relationship between Job Stress and Body Mass Index using Longitudinal Data from Canada. Canadian Population Society 2012 Annual Meeting, Wilfred Laurier University and University of Waterloo, Canada, 30 May -1 June, 2012.
7. The Incidence of Over-education and its Impact on Earnings of Recent Immigrants to Canada: Evidence from the Longitudinal Survey of Immigrants to Canada. 45th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, University of Ottawa, Canada, June 2-5, 2011.
8. Determinants of Over-Education Spells and Duration: Evidence from the Longitudinal Survey of Immigrants to Canada. Annual Meeting of Canadian Population Society, University of New Brunswick, Canada, 31 May- 2 June, 2011.

Teachings at University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada:

- Introduction to Microeconomics (Econ 101)
- Introduction to Macroeconomics (Econ 102)
- Intermediate Microeconomics Theory I (Econ 281)
- Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory I (Econ 282)
- Introductory Econometrics (Econ 399)
- Intermediate Microeconomic Theory II (Econ 384)
- Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory II (Econ 385)
- The Economics of Public Expenditure Econ (350)
- International Payments (Econ 422)

Teachings at Concordia University, Montreal, Canada:

- Statistical Methods II (Econ 222).
- Introduction to Microeconomics (Econ 201)
- Intermediate Macroeconomic theory I (Econ 303)
- Introduction to Macroeconomics (Econ 203)
- Canadian Economic Policy and Institutions (Econ 318)
- Intermediate Microeconomic Theory I (Econ 302)
- Intermediate Macroeconomic theory II (Econ 304)
- Intermediate Microeconomic theory II (Econ 301)
- Labor Economics (Econ 381)
- Economic Development (Econ 311)
- Money and Banking (Econ 331)

Teaching Seminars, Training and workshops

1. Preventing Academic Misconduct. Center for Teaching and Learning Services, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
2. eClass (Moodle) Basics Training. Center for Teaching and Learning Services, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
3. eClass (Moodle) Advanced Assessment and Evaluation. Center for Teaching and Learning Services, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
4. eClass (Moodle) Building Quizzes. Center for Teaching and Learning Services, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
5. eClass (Moodle) Using Gradebook. Center for Teaching and Learning Services, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
6. Diploma in University Teaching (GPTK710/ B2). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
7. How to be a More Effective Teacher (GPTK719/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
8. Critical Thinking in the Classroom (GPTK721/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
9. Group Discussion in the Classroom (GPTK716/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

10. Oral Presentations for Graduate Students (GPSC430/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
11. Effective Presentation Skills (GPSC410/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
12. Peas in a Pod - Experiential Learning (GPTK720/B1) Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
13. Technology Show case (GPTK717/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.

Research Grants

1. United Nations-ESCWA Research Grant. Project Title “*Inequality of Opportunities in Health in the Arab World: What New Can We Learn?*” 2018-2019. (Principal Investigator).
2. Economic Research Forum Research Grant. Project title “*Does Precarious Employment Ruin Youth Health, Wellbeing, and Marriage? Evidence from Egypt Using Longitudinal Data*”, 2017-2018. (Co-Principal Investigator).
3. Economic Research Forum research grant. Project title “*Socioeconomic Inequalities in the Progress towards Achieving Millennium Development Goals related to Health and the Determinants of Regional Inequalities in Child Health: Evidence from Eight Arab Countries*”, 2016-2017. (Co-Principal Investigator).
4. Full travel grant, Middle East Economic Association’s Fifteenth International Conference, March 23-25, 2016, Doha, Qatar.

Honors and Awards

1. Faculty of Arts Undergraduate Teaching Award (Early Achievement), University of Alberta, Canada, 2018.
2. Merit Increment Award, University of Alberta, Canada, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019.
3. University of Alberta Blended Learning Award, 2015 (Team Member).
4. Concordia University Newsmaker of the week, June 2014.
5. Concordia University Newsmaker of the week, January 20, 2012.
6. Quebec Inter-university Centre for Social Statistics (QICSS) Matching Grant, 2011.
7. Naomi and Humphrey Kassie Graduate Scholarship in Economics, Concordia University, 2009.
8. Golden Key International Honor Society Membership, September 2009-present.
9. Concordia University Newsmaker of the week, July 13, 2011.

Administrative Services

- Faculty of Arts Committee on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion, 2019-present.
- Faculty of Arts Evaluation Committee (FEC), University of Alberta, 2017-2018.
- Director of the Tutor Center, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, fall 2015-present.
- Coordinator of undergraduate exams proctoring, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, fall 2015-present.
- Undergraduate Recruiting and Advising Committee, University of Alberta, fall 2015-present
- Teaching Committee, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, fall 2015-present.
- Supervision of Term papers submitted by Third and Fourth year Economics students, University of Alberta, fall 2015-present.
- President of the Economics Graduate Student Association, Concordia University, 2010-2012.

- VP External, Economics Graduate Student Association, Concordia University, 2009-2010.
- Negotiation member, Teaching and Research Assistants Committee (TRAC), Concordia University, 2009-2010.

Graduate supervision

- Ali Mansour (M.A. 2017). Cannabis in Canada: An econometric approach for estimating the effects of cannabis legalization on mental and physical health. Second reader.

Selected Media Appearance

- [Reuters](#)
- The Independent (U.K.)
- [New York Daily News](#)
- [Los Angeles Times](#)
- [Daily Mail \(U.K.\)](#)
- The News Guardian
- [Yahoo News](#)
- Cosmopolitan
- [Radio Canada International](#)
- Chicago Tribune
- [Fox News](#)
- [The Gazette](#)
- Toronto Telegraph
- Times of India
- [Ottawa Citizen](#)
- Vancouver Province
- [Vancouver Sun](#)
- Le Journal de Montréal
- Edmonton Journal
- [CTV news](#)
- National Post
- [Business News Daily](#).
- Calgary Herald
- [Concordia University News](#)
- [Huffington post](#)
- The Tribune
- [Science daily](#)

Computer Skills and Statistical Packages

- STATA
- EVIEWS
- SPSS

Journal Referring

- African Development Review
- Forum for Health Economics & Policy
- Health Economics Review
- Cancer Causes & Control
- Journal of Primary Care and Community Health
- Jeo Journal.

Academic Affiliations

- [Economics Research Forum \(Research Fellow\)](#)
- Canadian Economic Association (Research Affiliate)
- Middle East Economic Association (Research Affiliate)
- International Health Economics Association (Research Affiliate)
- Quebec Inter-university Center for Social Statistics (Research Affiliate)
- Population Change and Life Course Strategic Knowledge Cluster (Research Affiliate)

References

Available upon request