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Curriculum vitae

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Education

- *Ph.D. (2012) in Economics*, Concordia University, Montreal, Canada.

Academic Positions

- Full Professor, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada. 2020 - Present
- Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada. 2018 - 2020
- Assistant Professor, 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

Research Interest

- Development Economics, Economic Policies, Population Economics, Applied Econometrics

Publications in Peer Reviewed International Journals

1. **Sharaf, M. F.**, Shahren, A. M., & Binzaid, B. A. (2024). [Estimating the Causal relationship between External Debt and Inflation in Jordan: Evidence from an ARDL and Toda-Yamamoto approaches](#). *Journal of Financial Economic Policy*. Forthcoming.
2. **Sharaf, M. F.**, Shahren, A. M., & Binzaid, B. A. (2024). [Asymmetric and Nonlinear Foreign Debt–Inflation Nexus in Brazil: Evidence from NARDL and Markov Regime Switching Approaches](#). *Economies*, 12(1), 18.
3. **Sharaf, M. F.**, & Shahren, A. M. (2023). [Does external debt drive inflation in Sudan: evidence from symmetric and asymmetric ARDL approaches](#). *Journal of Business and Socio-economic Development*, 3(4),293-307.
4. **Sharaf, M. F.**, & Shahren, A. M. (2023). [Asymmetric impact of real effective exchange rate changes on domestic output revisited: evidence from Egypt](#). *International Trade, Politics and Development*, 7(1), 2-15.
5. **Sharaf, M. F.** (2022). [The asymmetric and threshold impact of external debt on economic growth: new evidence from Egypt](#). *Journal of Business and Socio-economic Development*, 2(1), 1-18.
6. **Sharaf, M. F.**, & Rashad, A. S. (2020). [Does precarious employment ruin youth health and marriage? Evidence from Egypt using longitudinal data](#). *International Journal of Development Issues*, 19(3), 391-406.
7. Rashad, A. S., **Sharaf, M. F.**, & Mansour, E. I. (2020). [Why are Palestinian refugee children shorter than the children of host community in Jordan?](#). *Migration and Development*, 9(2), 209-221.
8. **Sharaf, M. F.**, Rashad, A. S., & Mansour, E. I. (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.
9. Rashad, A. S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2019). [Does Income Inequality Increase Violence Against Women? An Instrumental Variable Approach](#). *The European Journal of Development Research*, 31(4), 779-808.
10. 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.
11. Rashad, A., & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2018). [Does Maternal Employment Affect Child Nutrition Status? New Evidence from Egypt](#). *Oxford Development Studies*, 47(1), 48-62.
12. **Sharaf, M.F.**, & Mansour,E.I. and Rashad, A.S. (2018). [Child Nutritional Status in Egypt: A Comprehensive a comprehensive analysis of socioeconomic determinants using a Quantile Regression Approach](#). *Journal of Biosocial Science*, 51(1), 1-17.
13. **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.

14. 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.
15. Sharaf, M.F. (2017). Energy Consumption and Economic Growth in Egypt: A Disaggregated Causality Analysis with Structural Breaks. *Region Et Development*, 46, 59-76.
16. 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.
17. 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.
18. Rashad, A.S. & Sharaf, M.F. (2015). Catastrophic Economic Consequences of Healthcare Payments: Effects on Poverty Estimates in Egypt, Jordan, and Palestine. *Economies*, 3(4), 216-234.
19. Rashad, A.S., & Sharaf, M.F. (2015). Who Benefits from Public Healthcare Subsidies in Egypt? *Social Sciences*, 4(4), 1162-1176.
20. Sharaf, M.F. (2015). Inflation and Inflation Uncertainty Revisited: Evidence from Egypt. *Economies*, 3(3), 128-146.
21. Tekeng, Y. M. T., & Sharaf, M. F. (2015). Fiscal transparency, measurement and determinants: Evidence from 27 developing countries. *Journal of Economics and Political Economy*, 2(1), 69-91.
22. Azagba, S., Sharaf, M. F., & Hammond, D. (2015). Association between contraband tobacco and illicit drug use among high school students in Canada. *The journal of primary prevention*, 36(2), 71-78.
23. Azagba, S., & Sharaf, M. F. (2014). Physical inactivity among older Canadian adults. *Journal of Physical Activity and Health*, 11(1), 99-108.
24. Azagba, S., & Sharaf, M. F. (2014). Binge drinking and marijuana use among menthol and non-menthol adolescent smokers: findings from the youth smoking survey. *Addictive behaviors*, 39(3), 740-743.
25. Azagba, S., & Sharaf, M. F. (2014). Is alcohol mixed with energy drinks consumption associated with susceptibility to smoking?. *Preventive medicine*, 61, 26-28.
26. Azagba, S., Minaker, L. M., Sharaf, M. F., Hammond, D., & Manske, S. (2014). Smoking intensity and intent to continue smoking among menthol and non-menthol adolescent smokers in Canada. *Cancer Causes & Control*, 25(9), 1093-1099.
27. 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.
28. Azagba, S., Sharaf, M. F., & Liu, C. X. (2013). Disparities in health care utilization by smoking status in Canada. *International Journal of Public Health*, 58(6), 913-925.

29. **Sharaf, M. F.** (2013). [Job-education mismatch and its impact on the earnings of immigrants: evidence from recent arrivals to Canada.](#) *International Scholarly Research Notices*, 2013.
30. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2013). [The effect of graphic cigarette warning labels on smoking behavior: evidence from the Canadian experience.](#) *Nicotine & Tobacco Research*, 15(3), 708-717.
31. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2012). [The association between workplace smoking bans and self-perceived, work-related stress among smoking workers.](#) *BMC Public Health*, 12(1), 1-8.
32. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2012). [The relationship between job stress and body mass index using longitudinal data from Canada.](#) *International Journal of public health*, 57(5), 807-815.
33. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2012). [Eating behavior and obesity in Canada: evidence from panel data.](#) *Journal of primary care & community health*, 3(1), 57-64.
34. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2012). [Fruit and vegetable consumption and body mass index: a quantile regression approach.](#) *Journal of primary care & community health*, 3(3), 210-220.
35. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2011). [The effect of job stress on smoking and alcohol consumption.](#) *Health Economics Review*, 1(1), 1-14.
36. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2011). [Psychosocial working conditions and the utilization of health care services.](#) *BMC Public Health*, 11(1), 1-7.
37. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2011). [Cigarette taxes and smoking participation: evidence from recent tax increases in Canada.](#) *International journal of environmental research and public health*, 8(5), 1583-1600.
38. Azagba, S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2011). [Disparities in the frequency of fruit and vegetable consumption by socio-demographic and lifestyle characteristics in Canada.](#) *Nutrition journal*, 10(1), 1-8.

Book Chapters

1. Rashad, A. S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2019). ["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.
2. **Sharaf, M.F.** & Mansour, E.I and Rashad, A.S.,(2019). [Healthcare Systems in the Middle East: A Comparative Review](#), eds John Dixon and Ipek Eren-Vural (Westphalia Press, Washington, DC).

Working Papers

1. **Sharaf, M. F.**, & Shahan, A. M. (2023). [Does External Debt Drive Inflation in Sudan? Evidence from Symmetric and Asymmetric ARDL approaches.](#) University Library of Munich, Germany.

2. **Sharaf, M. F.**, & Shahan, A. M. (2022, April). [The Threshold Impact of Remittances on Financial Development: New Evidence from Egypt](#). Economic Research Forum Working Papers (No. 1545).
3. Rashad, A. S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2021, October). [Does Maternal Education Curb Female Genital Mutilation? Evidence from a Natural experiment in Egypt](#). Economic Research Forum Working Papers (No. 1497).
4. Rashad, A.S. & **Sharaf, M.F.** (2018). [Does Precarious Employment Ruin Youth Health, Wellbeing, and Marriage? Evidence from Egypt Using Longitudinal Data](#). Economic Research Forum (ERF) working papers No 1200.
5. Rashad, A., **Sharaf, M.F.**, & Mansour, E. (2018). [Why are Refugee Children Shorter than the Hosting Population? Evidence from Camps Residents in Jordan](#). Economic Research Forum (ERF) Working Papers (No. 1206).
6. **Sharaf, M.F.**, Rashad, A., & Mansour, E. I. (2017). [Does Public Health Insurance Increase Maternal Health Care Utilization in Egypt](#). Economic Research Forum (ERF) Working Papers (No. 1076).
7. **Sharaf, M.F.**, Rashad, A.S. (2017). [Regional Inequalities in Child Malnutrition in Egypt, Jordan, and Yemen: A Blinder-Oaxaca Decomposition Analysis](#). Economic Research Forum (ERF) working papers (No 1164).
8. Rashad, A. S., & Sharaf, M. F. (2017). [Does maternal employment affect child nutrition status? New evidence from Egypt](#). Economic Research Forum (ERF) Working Papers (No. 1149).
9. **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.
10. 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).
11. Rashad, A. S., & **Sharaf, M. F.** (2016). [Income inequality and intimate partner violence against women: Evidence from India](#). Frankfurt School of Finance & Management, Working Paper Series, No 222.
12. 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).
13. **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.
14. 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.

15. **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*.

Newspaper Articles

1. [Health Subsidies are not for the Poor in Egypt](#). El Shorouk Newspaper, January 8, 2016.
2. [Economic Growth in Mubarak's Era did not Prevent Child Under-nutrition in Egypt](#). El Shorouk Newspaper, November 7, 2015.

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. (CoPrincipal 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. (CoPrincipal Investigator).
4. Full travel grant, Middle East Economic Association’s Fifteenth International Conference, March 23-25, 2016, Doha, Qatar.

Presentations in Refereed International Conferences

1. Asymmetric impact of real effective exchange rate changes on domestic output revisited: evidence from Egypt. Association for Middle East Public Policy and Administration (AMEPPA) 11th Conference, 2022, December 9-10th, 2022; American University in Cairo.
2. Does Maternal Education Curb Female Genital Mutilation? Evidence from a Natural experiment in Egypt. Economic Research Forum 27th Annual Conference : SDGs and External Shocks in the MENA Region: From Resilience to Change in the Wake of COVID-19, 2021, May 17-June 28.
3. 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.

4. 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.
5. 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.
6. Quality Adjustment of Immigrant Human Capital. 47th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, HEC Montréal, Quebec, Canada, May 30 - June 2, 2013.
7. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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)
- Intermediate Microeconomic Theory II (Econ 384)
- Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory II (Econ 385)
- The Economics of Public Expenditure Econ (350)
- Introductory Econometrics (Econ 399)
- 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)
- International Finance (Econ 443/543)
- Labor Economics (Econ 381)
- Economic Development (Econ 311)
- Money and Banking (Econ 331)

Teaching Seminars, Training and workshops

1. Diploma in University Teaching (GPTK710/ B2). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
2. How to be a More Effective Teacher (GPTK719/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
3. Critical Thinking in the Classroom (GPTK721/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
4. Group Discussion in the Classroom (GPTK716/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
5. Oral Presentations for Graduate Students (GPSC430/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
6. Effective Presentation Skills (GPSC410/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
7. Peas in a Pod - Experiential Learning (GPTK720/B1) Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
8. Technology Show case (GPTK717/B1). Center for Teaching and Learning Services, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada.
9. Preventing Academic Misconduct. Center for Teaching and Learning Services, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
10. eClass (Moodle) Basics Training. Center for Teaching and Learning Services, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
11. eClass (Moodle) Advanced Assessment and Evaluation. Center for Teaching and Learning Services, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
12. eClass (Moodle) Building Quizzes. Center for Teaching and Learning Services, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.
13. eClass (Moodle) Using Gradebook. Center for Teaching and Learning Services, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada.

Honors and Awards

1. Faculty of Arts Undergraduate Teaching Award (Early Achievement), University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada, 2018.

2. Merit Increment Award, Faculty of Arts, University of Alberta, Canada, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, and 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. Recognition of Achievement Award, Bureau of Cultural and Educational Affairs of Egypt in Canada in conjunction with the Egyptian Consulate in Montreal, August 2012.
7. Quebec Inter-university Centre for Social Statistics (QICSS) Matching Grant, 2011.
8. Naomi and Humphrey Kassie Graduate Scholarship in Economics, Concordia University, 2009.
9. Golden Key International Honor Society Membership, September 2009-present.
10. Concordia University Newsmaker of the week, July 13, 2011.

Administrative Services

- Faculty of Arts Committee on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusivity (CEDI), 2019-2020.
- Faculty of Arts Evaluation Committee (FEC) , University of Alberta, 2017-2018.
- Director of the Tutor Center, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, 2015-present.
- Coordinator of undergraduate exams proctoring, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, fall 2015-present.
- Undergraduate Recruiting and Advising Committee, Department of Economics University of Alberta, 2015-2016.
- Teaching Committee, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, 2015-2017.
- 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.

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
- [Bussines News Daily.](#)
- Calgary Herald
- [Concordia University News](#)
- [Shorouk News](#) (in Arabic)
- [Huffington post](#)
- The [Tribune](#)
- [Science daily](#)

Computer Skills and Statistical Packages

- STATA
- EVIEWS
- SPSS

Languages

- English
- Arabic

Journal Referring

- Journal of Business and Socioeconomic Development
- Middle East Development Journal
- African Development Review
- Social Indicators Research
- Migration Letters
- Forum for Health Economics & Policy
- Health Economics Review
- Jeo Journal.

Academic Affiliations

- [Economics Research Forum \(Research Fellow\)](#)
- Editorial Board member in International Journals ([Sustainability](#): Since 2020)

- Editorial Board member in International Journals ([Journal of Business and Socio-economic Development](#): Since 2023)
- 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)