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Academic Positions	University of Oxford, Department of International Development Departmental Lecturer	2024-present
Other Affiliations	St Antony's College Associate Member	2024-present
	Centre for the Study of African Economies Affiliated Researcher	2024-present
	Institute for Fiscal Studies Research Associate	2024-present
Research Interests	PRIMARY FIELD: Development Economics SECONDARY FIELDS: Political Economy, Environmental Economics	
Education	University College London University of California, Berkeley	PhD in Economics Visiting PhD Researcher
	University College London University College London University College London	MPhil in Economics MRes in Economics MSc in Economics, <i>with Distinction</i>
	Columbia U., New School U., AMDA	Studies in Acting and Economics, <i>with Honors</i>
Publications	Grubb, M., Lange, RJ., Cerkez, N., Sognnaes, I., Wieners, C., Salas, P. (2024) Dynamic Determinants of Optimal Global Climate Policy. <i>Structural Change and Economic Dynamics</i> . 71: 490-508	2024
Working Papers	Cerkez, N., Hartman, A., Weigel, J., Zay Ya, K., (2025) Can Psychosocial Programs Improve Social Cohesion in Conflict Settings? Experimental Evidence from Myanmar	2022
	Cerkez, N., (2025) Extreme Weather Events and the Support for Democracy	2020
	Cerkez, N., Khan, AQ., Rasul, I., Shoaib, A., (2025) Impacts of Pro-poor Transfers on Perceptions, Mindsets, Political Views and Participation of the Rich and Poor	2019
	Cerkez, N., Cunningham, W., Gupta, S., Lung, F., (2025) What Do Small and Informal Household Enterprises Want?	2017
Selected Research in Progress	Cerkez, N., Rohner, D., Yuchtman, N., The Political Consequences of Conflict	2015
	Cerkez, N., Khan, AQ., Rasul, I., Shoaib, A., The Impacts of Big Push Pro-poor Policies on Firms: Evidence from a Partial Population Experiment in Pakistan (<i>Status of RCT: analysis in progress</i>)	
	Cerkez, N., Muñoz, M., Emigration and the Rise of Right-wing Parties Across Eastern Europe	

Grants as PI	2025	IGC Small Projects Facility, Zambia (£20,000)		
	2025	CSAE Small Grant (£6,000)		
Fellowships and Awards	2019-2021	Global Priorities Fellowship, Forethought Foundation		
	2019-2020	Economics Education Award: Best Teaching Assistant for a PhD Level Course, UCL		
	2018-2019	Excellence in Education Award, LSE		
	2018-2020	Class Teacher Bonus, LSE		
	2015	Business Certificate, Columbia University		
	2014	Dean's List & Merit Scholarship, The New School University		
	2011-2013	Merit Scholarship, American Musical and Dramatic Academy (AMDA)		
Prior Employment		World Bank, Consultant	October 2022 - March 2023	
		UN Office on Drugs and Crime, Consultant (Data Analyst)	November - December 2021	
		London School of Economics, Predoctoral Research Fellow (to Prof. Robin Burgess)	2017-2018	
		Part-Time Research Assistant, Research Assistant	2015-2018	
		Research Assistant to Michael Grubb (UCL), Cameron Hepburn (Oxford), Alessandro Tavoni (LSE), Daniel Wilhelm (IFS), Attila Lindner (UCL), Brad Larsen (Stanford), Vernon Henderson (LSE), Jisung Park (Harvard), Teevrat Garg (LSE), Tina Freyburg (U. St Gallen), Geoffrey Heal (Columbia), Justin Gundlach (Columbia), Jason Barr (Columbia), and Michael Morris (Columbia).		
Teaching		Quantitative Methods	Oxford University, MSc, <i>Lecturer</i>	2024 - present
		Microeconomic Theory	Oxford University, MSc, <i>Lecturer</i>	2024 - 2025
		Elements of Econometrics	University of London External Program, <i>Head TA</i>	2020 - present
		Econometrics	University College London, first year PhD, <i>TA</i>	2019-2024
		Econometrics	London School of Economics, second year BSc, <i>TA</i>	2018-2020
		Econometrics and Big Data	LSE Summer School, <i>TA</i>	Summer 2019
		Introduction to Economics	University College London, first year BSc, <i>TA</i>	Fall 2018
		Economics of Development	University College London, second year BSc, <i>TA</i>	Fall 2017
Professional Service	Refereeing	Review of Economic Studies, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Development Studies, The Manchester School		
	Mentoring	Cambridge-LSE-Oxford-UCL-Warwick PhD Applicant Mentoring Program (AMP)		
Talks	2025	Oxford PE Seminar, CSAE Conference, LSE Environmental Populism Conference, Hard-to-Reach Populations Conference, Econometric Society: 2025 European Winter Meetings		
	2024	Paris Dauphine, EAYE Annual Meeting, IFS-UCL-LSE Dev Econ Work-In-Progress Seminar, EEA Summer Meeting		
	2023	LSE Environment Day, UCL, IFS-UCL-LSE Dev Econ Work-In-Progress Seminar		
	2022	UC Berkeley, UCL		
	2021	IFS-UCL-LSE Development Economics Work-In-Progress Seminar		
Languages and IT		German (native), Swiss German (native), French (native), English (fluent), Spanish (conversational)		
		Proficient: Stata, R, \LaTeX Working knowledge: Matlab		
Academic References		<u>Professor Imran Rasul</u> Department of Economics University College London i.rasul@ucl.ac.uk	<u>Professor Antonio Cabrales</u> Department of Economics Universidad Carlos III de Madrid antonio.cabrales@uc3m.es	
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