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● ABOUT ME

I am a results-oriented applied economist with a passion for translating economic theory into practical solutions. My work revolves around solving real-world economic challenges, helping organizations make informed decisions, and driving positive economic outcomes.

● WORK EXPERIENCE

LECTURER IN ECONOMICS – HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT PUNJAB PAKISTAN – 2021 – Current – TOBA TEK SINGH, PAKISTAN

- Conduct lectures, seminars, and workshops
- Advise and mentor undergraduate and graduate students
- Supervise student theses, dissertations, and research projects
- Provide career guidance and support for student's academic and professional goals

UNIVERSITY LECTURER IN ECONOMICS – COMSATS UNIVERSITY ISLAMABAD PAKISTAN – 2019 – 2021 – ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN

- Delivering lectures on various topics in microeconomics and macroeconomics
- Developing and updating course materials, including syllabi and reading lists
- Assisting in the coordination of departmental activities

UNIVERSITY LECTURER IN ECONOMICS – QAUID-I-AZAM UNIVERSITY ISLAMABAD PAKISTAN – 2019 – 2021 – ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN

- Delivering lectures on various topics in Public Finance and Research Methods
- Advise and mentor undergraduate and graduate students
- Supervise student theses, dissertations, and research projects

RESEARCH ANALYST – SKYSCRAPERS PRIVATE LIMITED ISLAMABAD PAKISTAN – 2017 – 2018 – ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN

- Collect and compile economic data from various sources
- Utilize statistical software and economic modeling techniques to analyze data and draw meaningful conclusions
- Create data visualizations and charts to effectively communicate economic trends and analysis results

RESEARCH ANALYST – BOLDNOD, ISLAMABAD PAKISTAN – 2016 – 2017 – ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN

- Collect and compile economic data from various sources
- Utilize statistical software and economic modeling techniques to analyze data and draw meaningful conclusions
- Create data visualizations and charts to effectively communicate economic trends and analysis results

MANAGEMENT TRAINEE OFFICER (TO) – BANK ALFALAH LIMITED, AIRPORT BRANCH, ISLAMABAD PAKISTAN – 2014 – 2015 – ISLAMABAD, PAKISTAN

- Interact with customers to understand their needs and provide a high level of customer service.

- Assist in reviewing loan applications and analyzing financial statements to make lending decisions.
- Periodic Cash Handling

● EDUCATION AND TRAINING

2016 – 2022 Islamabad, Pakistan

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (ECONOMICS) School of Economics, Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad Pakistan

2014 – 2016 Islamabad, Pakistan

MASTER OF SCIENCE (MS) ECONOMICS COMSATS University, Islamabad Pakistan

2010 – 2013 Islamabad, Pakistan

MASTER OF SCIENCE (MSC) ECONOMICS School of Economics, Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad Pakistan

2008 – 2010 Lahore, Pakistan

BACHELOR OF COMMERCE (B.COM IT) Hailey, University of Punjab, Lahore Pakistan

2006 – 2008 Toba Tek Singh, Pakistan

INTERMEDIATE IN COMMERCE (I.COM) Sultan Foundation College Toba Tek Singh Pakistan

2004 – 2006 Toba Tek Singh, Pakistan

MATRICULATION (SCIENCE) Govt. High School 343 GB Toba Tek Singh.

● PUBLICATIONS

2026

[**Fueling firm productivity: the role of institutional quality and innovation in a developing economy**](#)

Younas, M. Z. (2026). Fueling firm productivity: the role of institutional quality and innovation in a developing economy. *Economics of Innovation and New Technology*, 35(1), 155-182.

[**Straight as a Rainbow? Evolving Attitudes Toward Homosexuality in Pakistan**](#)

Younas, M. Z. (2025). Straight as a rainbow? Evolving attitudes toward homosexuality in Pakistan. *Sexuality & Culture*, 29(1), 124-151.

[**The role of social conflict and income differences in shaping redistribution preferences**](#)

Younas, M. Z., Hanif, M., & Awais, M. (2025). A cry for fairness: the role of social conflict and income differences in shaping redistribution preferences in Pakistan. *Journal of Social and Economic Development*, 1-19.

2023

[**Regional institutional quality and firm-level innovation: A case of selected South Asian economies**](#)

Younas, M. Z. (2023). Regional institutional quality and firm-level innovation: A case of selected south Asian economies. *Quality & Quantity*, 57(1), 615-643.

2021

[**Exploring the nexus between innovation and firm performance: new evidences from manufacturing innovation survey of Pakistan**](#)

Younas, M. Z., & Rehman, F. U. (2021). Exploring the nexus between innovation and firm performance: new evidences from manufacturing innovation survey of Pakistan. *Asian Journal of Technology Innovation*, 29(1), 16-51.

2021

[**Re-evaluating the dynamic role of shadow economy and environmental policy stringency in the energy-growth nexus in China**](#)

Lu, L., Fan, X., Ullah, S., & Younas, M. Z. (2022). Re-evaluating the dynamic role of shadow economy and environmental policy stringency in the energy-growth nexus in China. *Environmental Science and Pollution Research*, 29(1), 17406–17416.

The Impact of Institutional Quality on Monetary Policy Response Function

Kakar, A. K., Younas, M. Z., & Malik, W. S. (2024). The impact of institutional quality on monetary policy response function: Evidence from developed and developing economies. *The Singapore Economic Review*, 69(08), 2419-2443.

2021

Public knowledge, attitudes, and practices towards COVID-19 in Pakistan: A cross-sectional study

Iqbal, M. A., & Younas, M. Z. (2021). Public knowledge, attitudes, and practices towards COVID-19 in Pakistan: A cross-sectional study. *Children and Youth Services Review*, 120, 105784.

2021

A blessing in disguise?: Assessing the impact of 2010–2011 floods on trust in Pakistan

Ahmad, N., & Younas, M. Z. (2021). A blessing in disguise?: Assessing the impact of 2010–2011 floods on trust in Pakistan. *Environmental Science and Pollution Research*, 28, 25419-25431.

2020

Examining the asymmetric effects of Pakistan's fiscal decentralization on economic growth and environmental quality

Li, X., Younas, M. Z., Andlib, Z., Ullah, S., Sohail, S., & Hafeez, M. (2021). Examining the asymmetric effects of Pakistan's fiscal decentralization on economic growth and environmental quality. *Environmental Science and Pollution Research*, 28, 5666-5681.

Role of market structure in firm-level innovation: an extended CDM model for a developing economy

Younas, M. Z., & ul Husnain, M. I. (2022). Role of market structure in firm-level innovation: an extended CDM model for a developing economy. *Decision*, 49(1), 91-104.

2022

A Spatial Agglomeration Analysis of Firm Productivity: A Case of the Textile Sector of Pakistan

Younas, M. Z. (2022). A Spatial Agglomeration Analysis of Firm Productivity: A Case of the Textile Sector of Pakistan. *The Lahore Journal of Economics*, 27(1), 19-69.

Socio-Economic and Mental Health Impacts of COVID-19 Lockdown on Students Learning in Pakistan

Ahmed, M., Younas, M. Z., & Shabbir, R. W. (2021). Socio-Economic and Mental Health Impacts of COVID-19 Lockdown on Students Learning in Pakistan. *Journal of Applied Economics & Business Studies (JAEBS)*, 5(4).

2020

Competitive pressure and firm-level innovation: The perspective of a developing economy

Younas, M. Z., & Rehman, F. U. (2020). Competitive pressure and firm-level innovation: The perspective of a developing economy. *Journal of Applied Economics and Business Studies*, 4(3), 35-54.

How Election Process is Rent-Seeking in Pakistan?

Shah, A., Habib, N., & Younas, M. Z. (2020). How Election Process is Rent-Seeking in Pakistan? A Case Study of Local Bodies Election in District Pakpattan. *Journal of Applied Economics and Business Studies*, 4(4), 97-116.

● **SKILLS**

STATA15 | R Programming | Geographical Informational Systems (GIS) | ArcGIS, QGIS, GeoDa | Data analysis using EViews and Stata | Tableau adatvizualizációs program ismerete | Adobe Photoshop (Expert) | IBM SPSS Statistics 25 | Python and programming

● **HONOURS AND AWARDS**

Achievements

- Recipient, Teacher of the Year Award 2026 (Economics) – Higher Education Department, Government of Punjab..
- Award of “HEC Indigenous Scholarship for M. Phil leading to Ph.D.”
- Received a laptop on merit personally from the Prime Minister of Pakistan
- Received one Gold Medal and three Certificates of Merit in recognition of excellent performance throughout my career.
- Received Scholarship of worth PRs. 24,000 on merit from the University of the Punjab, Lahore
- Received Financial Assistance of PRs. 110,000 on merit from the National Bank of Pakistan
- Received Scholarship of worth PRs.62,000 on merit from the Government of Pakistan

● **HOBBIES AND INTERESTS**

Interests

- Reading Books on Biographies and the History of Economic Thoughts
- Net Surfing, Attending Social Gatherings, Playing Snooker

● **LANGUAGE SKILLS**

Mother tongue(s): **URDU | PANJABI; PUNJABI**

Other language(s):

	UNDERSTANDING		SPEAKING		WRITING
	Listening	Reading	Spoken production	Spoken interaction	
ENGLISH	C2	C2	C1	C1	C2

Levels: A1 and A2: Basic user; B1 and B2: Independent user; C1 and C2: Proficient user

● **NETWORKS AND MEMBERSHIPS**

Member, Pakistan Society of Development Economists (PSDE) of (PIDE) Islamabad

Member, Alumni Quaid-I-Azam University, Islamabad

Member, Alumni COMSATS University, Islamabad

Member, Alumni University of the Punjab, Lahore

● **MOOC CERTIFICATIONS (COURSERA ONLINE)**

2023
Topics in Applied Econometrics

Queen Mary University of London
Link <https://coursera.org/share/9defd37cf5cd3f338dab64782334c070>

2023
Classical Linear Regression Model

Queen Mary University of London
Link <https://coursera.org/share/e2d0999a0e9c595a25bf029ed29b0243>

Monetary Policy in the Asia Pacific

Link <https://coursera.org/share/a3e4b53f6925710aedb5d4ae07a3fc28>

Linear Regression and Modeling

Link <https://coursera.org/share/7602ce9371f50a6627f8cf336a7b919c>

Agriculture, Economics and Nature

Link <https://coursera.org/share/03b8810f3b08e95fd6958074d4a3eb6f>

Write Professional Emails in English

Link <https://coursera.org/share/9cd951c62aee7a9cfd50768cf162f581>

Introduction to Neuro-economics

Link <https://coursera.org/share/6b0f04f35abdbd6557d01eda012bac54>

Game Theory

Link <https://coursera.org/share/783ec7209f8e72185fe6c8d60ea0fac0>

Model Thinking

Link [https://www.coursera.org/account/accomplishments/verify/Q73LPBNGTBGA?](https://www.coursera.org/account/accomplishments/verify/Q73LPBNGTBGA?utm_source=link&utm_medium=certificate&utm_content=cert_image&utm_campaign=sharing_cta&utm_product=course)
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Global Financial Crisis

Link <https://coursera.org/share/28f48c541c7adea06babe1f881c3343e>

Python for Beginners

Link [https://www.simplilearn.com/skillup-certificate-landing?
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● NEWS EDITORIALS

30/09/2024

Are Elections Characterised by Rent-seeking in Pakistan?

Younas, M. Z., (2024). <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/southasia/2024/09/30/are-elections-characterised-by-rent-seeking-in-pakistan/>

Link <https://blogs.lse.ac.uk/southasia/2024/09/30/are-elections-characterised-by-rent-seeking-in-pakistan/>

12/05/2022

Instability and the economy

Muhammad, Z. (2022). Instability and the economy. The Nation Newspaper. <https://www.nation.com.pk/12-May-2022/instability-and-the-economy>

Link <https://www.nation.com.pk/12-May-2022/instability-and-the-economy>

05/01/2023

Sword of default hanging over Pakistan: Consequences and solutions

Younas, M. Z., (2023). <https://www.pakistantoday.com.pk/2023/01/05/sword-of-default-hanging-over-pakistan-consequences-and-solutions/>

Link <https://www.pakistantoday.com.pk/2023/01/05/sword-of-default-hanging-over-pakistan-consequences-and-solutions/>

28/10/2018

Government needs better or more spokesmen?

Muhammad, Z. (2018). Government needs better or more spokesmen? - Muhammad Zeeshan Younas - Global Village Space. <https://www.globalvillagespace.com/government-needs-better-or-more-spokesmen-muhammad-zeeshan-younas/>

Link <https://www.globalvillagespace.com/government-needs-better-or-more-spokesmen-muhammad-zeeshan-younas/>

● REVIEWER/REFeree OF RESEARCH JOURNALS

Quality and Quantity Journal By Springer

Review of Research Publications

● DATA ANALYSIS SKILLS

Software Proficiency

- Statistical Software and Languages (E-Views 12, STATA 16, R Programming, Python 3.14, SPSS Statistics 23, Math type 6.6)
- Spatial Econometrics Software (ArcGIS, GeoDa)
- MS Office 2015 (Word, Excel, PowerPoint)
- LaTeX and Overleaf
- Survey Collection Tools (Microsoft Forms, Monkey Survey)
- Video Conferencing Apps (Microsoft Team, Google Meet, Zoom)
- Graphic Design Software (OBS Studio, Adobe Captivate 5.5, Adobe Photoshop 7.0, Adobe Premiere Pro)

● PHD DISSERTATION TITLE AND SUPERVISORS/EXAMINERS

Dissertation Title: Essays on Economics of Innovation and Agglomeration: A Firm-Level Analysis

External Examiners:

Professor Dr. Stephen G. Hall University of Leicester England

Professor Dr. Robert M. Kunst University of Vienna Austria

Internal Examiners:

Professor Dr. Abdul Rashid International Islamic University Islamabad, Pakistan

Professor Dr. Zafar Mahmood National University of Sciences and Technology (NUST) Islamabad, Pakistan

● **REFERENCES**

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