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Curriculum Vitae
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Education

New York University

Dept of Applied Psychology, Psychology and Social Intervention
Doctor of Philosophy, Anticipated 2018

Cornell University

College of Arts and Sciences
Bachelor of Arts, Psychology May 2009

Awards, Distinctions, and Fellowships

- New York University Student Senators Council Travel Award, Summer 2015
- Phillip J. Zlatchlin Memorial Award, Fall 2014
- Selected as Ambassador for Action 2015 Campaign, Bangladesh
- Peace Psychology Grant Recipient, 2014
- Steinhardt Graduate Fellowship, Steinhardt School, New York University
- Steinhardt Doctoral Student Travel Grant, 2014
- Cornell University Dean's List
- National Honor Society in Psychology
- Academic Competitiveness Grant, Cornell University
- Cornell University Grant

Research and Work Experience

Graduate Research Assistant

September 2013 – present

Psychology and Social Intervention Program, Steinhardt School, New York University
Dr. Rezarta Bilali, PhD

Literature review, data analysis, and planning of design of studies examining the psychological mechanisms involved in the acknowledgement of group responsibility of injustice.

Additional Insights, Global TIES, New York University

Dr. Lawrence Aber, PhD

Identifying and cataloging impact evaluations of programs carried out by the World Bank and IPA to promote women/families' economic empowerment and children's development, with the aim to eventually employ these evaluations for secondary data analyses when feasible.

Founder and Director of Kaan Pete Roi Helpline

September 2012 – present

Initiation and running of first telephone-based suicide prevention and emotional support helpline in Bangladesh. Includes registering organization, renting premises, fundraising,

contact with partner organizations, hiring staff, training and supervision of volunteers, coordinating publicity.

Research Coordinator/Lab Manager

June 2010 – August 2012

Harvard Laboratory for Developmental Studies

Dr. Susan Carey, PhD

-Primary lab coordinator; including hiring and supervising undergraduate research assistants, maintaining contact with families involved in studies, preparation of grant proposals and renewals, maintaining human subjects research ethics protocols, coding infant looking time studies, maintaining lab technology, coordinating education and outreach events, running summer internship and working with faculty to ensure smooth running of the lab.

-Member of Laboratory for Developmental Studies Executive Function Workshop.

-Coordinated recruitment, data collection and analysis for study on children's construction of meanings of individual number words through training of estimation of the number ten.

Suicide Helpline Volunteer

April 2011 – September 2012

Samaritans Inc, Suicide Prevention Helpline

Providing telephone support to individuals who are suicidal and/or in emotional distress.

Research Assistant

September 2009 – May 2010

Harvard Laboratory for Developmental Studies/Mass. General Gerontology Unit

Dr. Susan Carey, PhD; Dr. Deborah Zaitchik-Samet, PhD

Coordinating recruitment, data collection and analysis for new research initiative studying relation between intuitive biology and executive function in context of conceptual change. Conducted pilot of this study with 25 rural children in Bangladesh. Data collection with healthy elderly and patients with Alzheimer's Disease.

Research Assistant

September 2010 – May 2011

Harvard University Laboratory for Clinical and Developmental Research

Dr. Matthew K. Nock, PhD; Dr. Jeremy Jamieson, PhD

Running study on risk-taking and physiological changes in response to stress induced through race-based rejection.

Mentoring

January 2010 – September 2011

Harvard Laboratory for Developmental Studies

Intensive one-on-one supervision of students working on research projects under my responsibility.

Undergraduate Research Assistant

September 2006 – May 2009

Robertson Infant Lab, Cornell University

Dr. Steve Robertson, PhD

Recruiting subjects, carrying out experiment, and analyzing data for study of relation between attention, body movement, and looking in three-month old infants.

Field Practicum Intern

September 2008 – May 2009

South Seneca Elementary School, Interlaken, NY (for coursework)

Dr. Harry G. Segal, PhD

Weekly, supervised one-on-one intensive play therapy with three elementary school

children with emotional/behavioral difficulties.

Special Needs Teacher

Summer 2006, 2007

Autism Welfare Foundation, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Dr. Rownak Hafiz, M.D.

Volunteer position involving extensive social skill development and teaching of children with varying degrees of autism spectrum disorder.

Publications

Zaitchik, D., **Iqbal, Y.**, & Carey, S. (2013). The Effect of Executive Function on Biological Reasoning in Young Children: An Individual Differences Study. *Child development*.

Contributed to preparation of grant proposals to REESE: Research and Evaluation on Education in Science and Engineering and to Spencer Foundation: The effects of individual differences in executive functions on the acquisition of a theory of biology (PI: Zaitchik, D.)

Iqbal, Y. (September 10th, 2014). Bridging the Gap. *Opinion Page, BDNews*

Iqbal, Y. (April 18th, 2014). An Incredible Kind of Human. *Opinion Page, BDNews*

The following published translations are currently used as material for English-Bengali Natural Language Processing software and as curriculum in elementary schools.

Iqbal, Y. (2013) Dipu Number Two. Dhaka, Bangladesh: Somoy Prakashan

Iqbal, Y. (2008) History of the Liberation War. Dhaka, Bangladesh: Proteeti

Iqbal, Y. (2004) Tukunjl. Dhaka, Bangladesh: Somoy Prakashan

Iqbal, Y. (2003) Rashed, My Friend. Dhaka, Bangladesh: Somoy Prakashan

Conference Presentations and Posters

Iqbal, Y. & Bilali, R. (2015, July) Why Does Acknowledgement of Harm Matter? A Study of the Impact of Acknowledgement of Harm in the Context of the Bangladesh-Pakistan War of 1971. Annual Conference of International Society of Political Psychology, San Diego.

Gordon, N. & **Iqbal, Y.** (2015, July) Patterns of Receipt of Basic Human Services among 7 to 10 Year Old Children in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. Annual Conference of International Society of Political Psychology, San Diego.

Iqbal, Y. (2015, June) The Effects of Acknowledgement of Responsibility for Harm on Victim Groups in the context of Bangladesh and Pakistan and the 1971 war. Biennial Conference of Society for Community Research and Action, Lowell.

Bilali, R., **Iqbal, Y.**, & Erisen, C. (2015, May). Lay theories about groups and violence influence responses to collective harm-doing. 27th Annual Convention of Association for Psychological Science, New York.

Iqbal, Y. & Bilali, R. (2014, July) How Beliefs about Groups Influence Acknowledgment of Responsibility for Ingroup's Misdeeds. Annual Conference of International Society of Political Psychology, Rome.

Iqbal, Y., Zaitchik, D., Carey, S (2011, September) The Role of Executive Function in the Acquisition of Biological Concepts: An Individual Differences Study. Annual Conference of Cognitive Development Society.

Invited Talks & Other Presentations

Schwartz, K. & **Iqbal, Y.** (2015, June) State of the Field: The Need to Understand and Incorporate Variation in Impact in Seeking to Influence Outcomes for Women and Children. NYU TIES Additional Insights Summer Training Institute 2015, Abu Dhabi.

Iqbal, Y. (2012, September - present) Multiple trainings, workshops, and information/recruitment talks for individuals training to be volunteers on Kaan Pete Roi Emotional Support Helpline, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Iqbal, Y. & Khanam, R. (2013, June) Basic Skills in Suicide Prevention Workshop, Bangladesh Mahila Parishad, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Iqbal, Y. (2012, January) Stress in Every Day Life. Dept. of Social Work, Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Sylhet, Bangladesh

Zaitchik, D., **Iqbal, Y.**, & Carey, S (2010, June) The Role of Executive Function in the Acquisition of Biological Concepts: An Individual Differences Study. Talk given at Laboratory for Developmental Studies Seminar.

Zaitchik, D., Powell, L., **Iqbal, Y.**, & Carey, S (2010, March) The Role of Executive Function in the Acquisition of Biological Concepts: An Individual Differences Study. Poster presented at the annual REESE PI meetings at the National Science Foundation.

Iqbal, Y. (2010, January) Psychology and You. Shahjalal University of Science and Technology, Sylhet, Bangladesh

Workshops and Trainings Attended

International Society for Political Psychology Summer Academy, San Diego, June 30th – July 2nd, 2015

Professional Memberships

Society for the Study of Peace, Conflict, and Violence: Peace Psychology
International Society of Political Psychology
Society for Community Research and Action

Languages

English (native), Bengali (native)

Technical Skills

Stata, SPSS, Mplus, Qualtrics

Quantitative Classes: Intermediate Quantitative Methods, Multilevel Modeling (Growth Curves and Nested Data), Causal Inference, Factor Scoring, Factor Analysis and Structural Equation Modeling, Missing Data

Other

Multiple media (TV, radio, and newspaper/news site) appearances as Founder of Kaan Pete Roi

Discussion Facilitator, Actor, and Theatrical Director of Ordinary People, Cornell University's anti-oppression theater troupe (2007-2009)

President, Cornell University Bengali Students Association (2008-2009)