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ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF ECONOMICS

Department of Economics · National Defence University, Islamabad, Pakistan

PROFILE

An accomplished academic economist with a Ph.D. from the University of Lahore and over five years of university teaching experience. Published in high-impact journals including Sustainable Development (IF 8.2), Gondwana Research (IF 6.6), and Social Indicators Research. Research spans Health, Environmental, and Energy Economics with a focus on global panel analysis. Currently serving as Associate Professor and PhD Program Focal Person at NDU, Islamabad.

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics | CGPA: 3.84 / 4.0 | 2016–2020

University of Lahore, Pakistan

Thesis: Global Perspectives of Financial Development and Environmental Quality Nexus: A Comparative Analysis of Ecological Footprints and Carbon Emissions

M.Phil. in Applied Economics | CGPA: 3.80 / 4.0 | 2014–2016

University of Lahore, Pakistan

Thesis: Trade Liberalization and Environment Nexus: A Case Study of Pakistan

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, Dept. of Economics

Aug 2026 – Present

National Defence University, Islamabad, Pakistan

Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics

Sep 2024 – Aug 2026

National Defence University, Islamabad, Pakistan

Lead Economist – Macroeconomic Research & Policy Analysis

Sep 2023 – Sep 2024

Integrated Equities Limited, Lahore, Pakistan

Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics

Sep 2020 – Sep 2023

University of Lahore, Main Campus, Pakistan · QEC Coordinator · Dissertation Review Committee

ADMIN DUTIES (NDU)

- Acting Head of Department – Economics, NDU
- PhD Program Focal Person – Sep 2025–Cont.
- QEC Coordinator – Nov 2024–Cont.
- Admission Committee Member – Jan 2025–Cont.
- Dissertation Review Committee – Feb 2024–Cont.

RESEARCH SUPERVISION

- 1 PhD and 5 M.Phil. students – Economics & GPP, NDU
- 4 NSWC Research Projects – Senior Army Officers (2026–2027)
- Prior: M.Phil. & PhD supervision at Univ. of Lahore, Lahore, Pakistan

SELECT PUBLICATIONS

- Yasin, Iftikhar., Amin, S., & Mehmood, W. (2025). Financial Development's Role in Reducing the Ecological Footprint of Energy Consumption in BRICS. *Sustainable Development*, 1–27. [IF: 8.2, Scopus Q1, SSCI, HEC-W]
- Yilanci, V., Ursavaş, U., & Yasin, Iftikhar. (2025). Uncertainty and diversification: Analyzing the impact of energy-related and climate policy uncertainties on environmental degradation in the United States. *Gondwana Research*. [IF: 8.6, Scopus Q1, SCIE, HEC-W]
- Yasin, Iftikhar. et al. (2024). Does Agriculture, Forests, and Energy Consumption Foster the Carbon Emissions and Ecological Footprint? Fresh Evidence from BRICS Economies. *Environment Development and Sustainability*. [IF: 4.9, Scopus Q1, SCIE, HEC-W]
- Kou, Y. & Yasin, Iftikhar. (2024). Navigating poverty in developing nations: unraveling the impact of political dynamics on sustainable well-being. *Humanities and Social Sciences Communications*. [IF: 3.7, Scopus Q1, SSCI, HEC-W]
- Yasin, Iftikhar., Ahmad, N., & Chaudhary, M.A. (2020). Catechizing the Environmental-Impression of Urbanization, Financial Development, and Political Institutions: A Circumstance of Ecological Footprints in 110 Developed and Less-Developed Countries. *Social Indicators Research*, 147(2), 621–649. [IF: 3.3, ABDC-A, SSCI, HEC-W]

* Corresponding Author | Total: 22 Publications | 1 Book Chapter (Springer) | 17 International Conferences

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RESEARCH METRICS

22

PUBLICATIONS

16

CONFERENCES

737

GS CITATIONS

14

H-INDEX

WoS Citations: 383

WoS H-Index: 12

RESEARCH EXPERTISE

Environmental Economics, Energy
Economics, Financial Development, Health
Economics, Macroeconomics

SOFTWARE & TOOLS

Stata · EViews · R · SPSS · Gauss

EDITORIAL BOARD

Frontiers in Education (ESCI)
Frontiers in Sociology (ESCI)

FELLOWSHIP

Honorary Research Fellow

INTI International University

Malaysia (May 2024 – Present)

CERTIFICATIONS

IBM Data Analyst (IBM/Coursera)

Data Science: Harvard University

Practical Trading – Interactive Brokers, USA

Business Analytics with R – University of
Illinois

Principles of Economics – Stanford Online