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Language: English (proficient), Japanese (native)

Education

2015-present Ph.D. in Information Science, School of Information, University of Michigan

Research field: Information and Communication Technology (ICT) for international

development

Research topics: Innovation, digital skill development, ICT industry development

Advisor: Prof. Kentaro Toyama & Prof. Joyojeet Pal

2002-2004 M.Sc. in Information Science, Yokohama National University

Research topic: Natural language processing

Thesis title: Pattern driven extraction of motion relationship and application for meaning

analysis from a corpus of news articles

1998-2002 B. Eng. in Computer Science, Yokohama National University

Thesis title: Composition of amorphous fluorocarbon polymer films using plasma CVD

Work Experience

2019-present Teaching/Research Assistant, University of Michigan, USA

& 2015-2017 Teaching Python/Data Science courses for master/undergraduate students.

Conducting research on entrepreneurship and ICT human resource management

in Bangladesh and Rwanda.

2019-present Co-Founder and CEO, ICT for Development (NPO), Japan

Running an online media and online community on ICT for development in Japan.

2017-2019 *ICT Specialist*, Office of IT System, Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA),

Janan

Designed and managed digital transformation and system development projects for

efficient budget, project, and procurement management in JICA.

Worked as the ICT task force member to utilize technology for JICA's projects.

2012-2015 ICT and Urban Development Sector Specialist, JICA, Bangladesh

Led ICT sector projects

Loan: Telecom backbone network improvement (\$104 million)

Technical assistance: National ICT certificate, ICT fare collection system

Led urban development sector projects

Loan: Urban water supply (\$440 million)

Technical assistance: Water fare collection, Solid waste management Coordinated multi-stakeholders (governments, private companies, donors).

2008-2012 ICT Sector and Africa Specialist, JICA, Japan

Led technical cooperation projects on ICT human resource development in Vietnam,

Bangladesh, and the Philippines.

Led grant telecommunication projects in Afghanistan and Pakistan. Planned and managed JICA volunteer programs in southern Africa.

2004-2008 Systems Architect, Nomura Research Institute, Japan

Designed and developed an online stock trading system as a system architect, and

operated the system as an administrator.

Unpaid/Internship Work

2020-present Visiting Professor, Kobe Institute of Technology, Japan

Lecturing on an irregular base.

2018-present *Visiting Professor*, University of Miyazaki, Japan

Researching on ICT human resource development project in Bangladesh.

2019 *Internship*, G-Care Inc, Japan

Worked as a web engineer (WordPress, SQL). (2 months)

2017 Research Internship, ICT Chamber, Rwanda

Researched strategy formulation, project formulation, monitoring, and evaluation of (3 months)

innovation and ICT industry development projects in the ICT sector.

Articles and Publications

2020 Bottleneck of ICT Innovation in Rwanda, with Kentaro Toyama. Proceedings of the Eleventh International Conference on Information and Communications Technologies and Development Papers – ICTD 2020 –

2019 Bimodal IT Career Aspirations in Bangladesh, with Abdul Matin and Kentaro Toyama. Proceedings of the Tenth International Conference on Information and

Communications Technologies and Development Notes – ICTD 2019 –

2018 Can HCI Replicate the Intangible Gains of International Exposure? A Case Study in

Rwanda, with Eric Obeysekare and Kentaro Toyama. HCI Across Borders: Paving New

Pathways (Symposium@CHI 2018)

2016 Geographic Diversification of ICTD Research, with Kentaro Toyama. *Proceedings of the*

Eighth International Conference on Information and Communications Technologies and

Development Notes – ICTD 2016 –

In search of missing pieces: A re-examination of trends in ICTD research, with Marathe Megh et al. Proceedings of the Eighth International Conference on Information and Communications Technologies and Development Notes –ICTD 2016 –
 Impact of the introduction of IC card transport fare collection system and anti-corruption. Proceedings of the Sixth International Conference on Information and Communications Technologies and Development Notes – ICTD 2013 –

Teaching Experience

2020 October	Adjunct Lecturer: Sophia University Introduction of technology and poverty reduction for undergraduate students
2020 July	Guest Lecturer: Waseda University Technology, education, and poverty reduction for undergraduate students
2020 Summer (4 months)	Teaching Assistant: University of Michigan Database (SIADS 611) and data science ethics (SIADS 503) for master students
2020 Winter (4 months)	Teaching Assistant: University of Michigan Intermediate Python programming (SI 507) for master students
2019 Fall (4 months)	Teaching Assistant: University of Michigan Intermediate Python programming (SI 206) for undergraduate students
2019 July	Guest Lecturer: Yokohama National University "Does a laptop change Education for Children?" for undergraduate students
2016-2017 (8 months)	Teaching Assistant: University of Michigan Introduction of Python programming (SI 106) for undergraduate students
2013-2017	Guest Lecturer: Kobe Institute of Computing ICT for Development related topics for master students

Presentation

2020 June	Online and future education after COVID Presented at an online seminar organized by Tiger Mov, Inc.
2020 April	Can technology alleviate poverty? Lectured at Clark Memorial International High School.
2019 July	Blockchain for International Development Presented at Factory Phnom Penn, Cambodia.
2019 July	Does a laptop change Education for Children?

Lectured at Graduate School of Management, Globis University.

2018 October Blockchain for SDGs

Presented at a seminar "Blockchain x Open Innovation" organized by Microsoft.

Award

2020	World Bank Graduate Scholarship Program (JJWBGSP) Two years of scholarship for Ph.D. study/research
2020	Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant USD 6,000 research grant for the field experiment on the mindset change in Bangladesh
2015	Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) Two years of scholarship for Ph.D. study/research