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EDUCATION

Expected 2028	PhD, Anthropology University of Georgia, Athens, USA
2023	MA, Sustainable International Development (SID) Brandeis University, Massachusetts, USA
2013	MSS, International Relations, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
2012	BSS (Bachelor), International Relations University of Dhaka, Bangladesh.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2015-19	Research Associate, Campaign for Sustainable Rural Livelihoods (CSRL), Dhaka, Bangladesh.
2014	Program Organizer, Center for Mass Education in Science (CMES), Dhaka, Bangladesh
2012-13	Research Assistant, South Asia Youth for Peace and Prosperity Society (SAYPPS), Dhaka, Bangladesh

PUBLICATIONS

Peer-Reviewed Articles

2025	Naher, Sabikun (September 2025) Social Justice, Ethnic Minorities and Women. <i>Heller Open-Air Journal</i> , Issue 8, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA.
2025	Naher, S. (2025). Analyzing Indigenous well-being through the Capabilities Approach and Rural Livelihoods Framework: Evidence from the Chittagong Hill Tracts in Bangladesh. <i>International Journal of Arts, Humanities & Social Sciences</i> , 6(9), 38-48.
2024	Naher, Sabikun (December 2024) Reimagining Ethnic Minority Marginalization through Identity, Gender, and Land. <i>Heller Open-Air Journal</i> , Issue 7, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA.
2024	Naher, Sabikun (May 2024) Reviewing climate change impacts on Indigenous women. <i>Heller Open-Air Journal</i> , Issue 6, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA.

- 2023 Naher, Sabikun (April 2023) Kingian nonviolence can be a solution to reduce communal violence. *Heller Open-Air Journal*, Issue 4, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA.
- 2022 Naher, Sabikun (November 2022) An intersectional analysis of violence against women (VAW) in Bangladesh. *Heller Open-Air Journal*, Issue 3, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA.
- 2022 Naher, Sabikun (May 2022) Islam and women's rights in Bangladesh: An analysis of challenges to achieve women's rights. *Heller Open-Air Journal*, Issue 1, Brandeis University, Waltham, MA.
- 2013 Naher, Sabikun (2013) Making Small Towns ‘Matter’ for Development: A Study of Bangladesh. In: Pervaiz Bandal (Ed.), *Life in Small Town*, pp. 323-334. THAAP Publications, Lahore, Pakistan.
- 2013 Naher, Sabikun & Hasan, S. M. (2013) Media and the Arab Spring: An appraisal. *Journal of SUB* 6(1): 133-144.
- 2013 Naher, Sabikun & Hasan, S. M. (2013) South Asian human rights mechanism: Relevance, challenges and recommendations. *Journal of SUB* 4(2): 66-78.

Conference Proceedings

- 2023 Naher, Sabikun (June 2023) Domestic violence against women in Bangladesh: An intersectional analysis. Gender, Work, and Organisation Conference book of abstracts, “*Marginalised Gender Identities: How can Intellectual Activism Transform Work and Organization*,” p. 399.
- 2022 Naher, Sabikun (in press) Representation and violence: Does women’s representation in the Parliament of Bangladesh reduce violence against women (VAW) in Bangladesh? Proceedings of the 2022 Global Conference on Women and Gender, Christopher Newport University, Newport News, VA.
- 2013 Naher, Sabikun (2013) Dualistic role of the state in the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT): a study of Human Rights. Proceedings of First Indigenous and Bengali National Student Conference 2012, Jahangir Nagar University, Dhaka, Bangladesh.

Other Publications

- 2022 Naher, Sabikun (2022) Covid-19 and women: A double-edged sword. Annual Publication of the North American Association of Dhaka University Alumni, Massachusetts, USA.

- 2013 Naher, Sabikun (2013) Country profile: Pakistan. *Think South Asia* 7, South Asia Democratic Forum, European Union, pp.5-7. ISSN: 2406-5773.
- 2013 Naher, Sabikun (2013) Bangladesh-Bhutan relations: Introduce a new dynamism. *Think South Asia* 8, South Asia Democratic Forum, European Union, pp.32-35. ISSN: 2406-5773.

AWARDS AND HONORS

- 2021 Heller School for Social Policy and Management Scholarship (US\$ 32,000), Brandeis University, Massachusetts, USA
- 2022 Heller Alumni Scholarship (US\$ 800), Brandeis University, Massachusetts, USA
- 2012 Merit Scholarship (BDT 15,000), University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2007 Board Scholarship (BDT 15,000), Jessore Education Board, Bangladesh
- 2005 Jessore Education Board Scholarship (BDT 10,000), Jessore Education Board, Bangladesh
- 2003 Junior School Scholarship (BDT 16,000), Jessore Education Board, Bangladesh

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

- 2025 American Institute of Bangladesh Studies Fellowship (AIBS) (USD 3000) AIBS, USA
- 2025 Travel Research Grants (USD 300) University of Georgia, USA
- 2024 Graduate School Summer Research Grant (USD 1500) University of Georgia, USA
- 2022 Mr. Feldman Fellowship, (USD 1500) Brandeis University, Massachusetts, USA

CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

Papers Presented

- 2025 Naher, S. (July 10). State-building and ethnic minorities in colonial and post-colonial contexts: A case study of the Chittagong Hill Tracts, Bangladesh. Chattagram University, D. Muhammad Yunus Building, Chattogram, Bangladesh.
- 2024 Naher, S. (2024, November 7). Bridging gaps: Addressing ethnic minority marginalization through One Health multidisciplinary approaches. *One Health Conference*, University of Georgia Center for Continuing Education and Hotel, Athens, GA.
- 2024 Decolonizing conservation practices: A feminist political ecological analysis of conservation practices in the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT), Bangladesh. *Integrative Conservation Conference (ICC)*, University of Georgia, 20-21 February.
- 2024 Gender-Based Violence (GBV) and Rohingya Refugee: A Study of Rohingya refugee women in Bangladesh. *Global Conference on Women and Gender*, The Christopher Newport University, 21-23 March.
- 2023 Vision of global progress and women's empowerment: A study of SDGs in the Chittagong Hill Tracts, Bangladesh. *Sixteenth Global Studies Conference*, Oxford Brookes University, Oxford, GB, 19-21 July.
- 2023 Domestic violence against women in Bangladesh: An intersectional analysis. *Marginalised Gender Identities: How can Intellectual Activism transform Work and Organization*, Gender, Work, and Organisation (GWO) Conference 2023, Stellenbosch, South Africa, 28-30 June.
- 2023 Spatiality and gender: An analysis of patriarchy in Bangladesh. *GCWS Graduate Student Conference "Liberating Spatiality and Temporality"* Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), 3-5 March.
- 2023 Spatiality and Patriarchy: A study of Bangladesh. *Temporality and Spatiality Conference 2023*, The University of London, UK, 11-12 February.
- 2023 Education for Rohingya refugees: The challenges to provide education for Rohingya refugee girls in Bangladesh. *Global Conference on Women and Gender*, The Christopher Newport University, USA, 16-18 March.
- 2022 Representation and violence: Does women's representation in the Government of Bangladesh reduce violence against women in Bangladesh? *Global Conference on Women and Gender*, The Christopher Newport University, 17-22 March.
- 2013 Dualistic role of the state in the Chittagong Hill Tracts (CHT): A study of human rights. *First National Student Conference on the Chittagong Hill Tracts*, Jahangir Nagar University, Dhaka, 28 January.

Posters Presented

- 2024 Bridging Gaps: Addressing Ethnic Minority Marginalization through One Health Multidisciplinary Approaches. Precision One Health Conference, University of Georgia, Athens, 7 November.
- 2024 ‘Pluriverse’ as a solution for achieving SDG 5 in Indigenous context: A study of Chittagong Hill Tract (CHT) in Bangladesh. 12th Annual International Conference on Sustainable Development (ICSD), Columbia University, New York City, 18-20 September.
- 2023 Sustainable Development Goals and Women’s Empowerment: A Study of BRAC Gender Policy in Bangladesh. *11th Annual International Conference on Sustainable Development (ICSD)*, Columbia University, New York City, 18-20 September.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2023 - Graduate Teaching Assistant in Anthropology, Franklin College of Arts and
Spring 2025 Sciences, the University of Georgia, USA.

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

- 2012-2013 Internship, United Nations Information Center (UNIC), Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2010 Youth Worker, International Organization for Migration (IOM), Dhaka, Bangladesh

EXTRACURRICULAR UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Event Organizer

- 2012 Bangladesh International Model United Nations (BiMUN) Conference, 28 November-1 December, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2011 South Asia Social Forum, 18-22 November, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2011 International Conference on Contemporizing Tagore: 150-Year Celebration of Noble Laureate Rabindranath Tagore, 29-30 April, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
- 2010 South Asian Convention on Recognition of Indigenous People in South Asia, 10-12 December, University of Dhaka, Bangladesh

TRAINING

2011	International Convention on Food Sovereignty in South Asia, 9-10 December, Kolkata, India
2010	1 st Annual Human Rights Study Session, 30 October- 11 November, Bangladesh
2012	2nd Bangladesh Youth Leadership Summit, 26-28 April, Dhaka, Bangladesh
2011	Workshop on Youth Activities, 12-14 October, Dhaka

MEMBERSHIP IN PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

1. Global Studies Research Network, Oxford Brooks University, UK
2. North American Association of Dhaka University Alumni, New England, Massachusetts, USA
3. Extension Team of World Social Forum, Bangladesh
4. International Relations English Debating Club, University of Dhaka
5. South Asia Youth for Peace and Prosperity Society (SAYPPS), Dhaka, Bangladesh
6. International Relations Alumni Association (IRAA), University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
7. Dhaka University Alumni Association (DUAA), University of Dhaka, Bangladesh
8. Online Knowledge Society (Fellow Member), Dhaka, Bangladesh

LANGUAGES

Bengali (Native), English (Fluent), Arabic (Primary)