
Nouf Abushehab

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development economics, poverty reduction, women and girls' empowerment, behavioral economics.

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics

Trinity College Dublin

Supervisor: Prof. Michael King · *Research focus: Development Economics*

2022–present

Dublin, Ireland

MASc in Data, Economics and Development Policy (GPA: 5)

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Inaugural cohort of the DEDP program (J-PAL)

2020

MA, USA

MSc in Development Economics (Merit)

City St George's, University of London (City University of London)

2014

London, UK

BSc in Economics (Upper Second Class, 2:1)

SOAS, University of London

2013

London, UK

International Baccalaureate Diploma (39 points)

The Ahliyyah School for Girls

2010

Amman, Jordan

RESEARCH

Working Papers

- Krafft, Caroline, Ragui Assaad, and **Nouf Abushehab**. 2026. "The Evolution of Labor Supply in Jordan through 2025." Economic Research Forum Working Paper Series No. 1823.

Policy Briefs

- Caroline Krafft, Ragui Assaad and **Nouf Abushehab** 2026. "From Pressure to Prosperity: Can Jordan Translate Demographic Change into A Dividend?" Economic Research Forum Policy Brief No. 165.
- Ragui Assaad, Caroline Krafft, and **Nouf Abushehab** 2026. "Reversing the Trend: Policy Levers for Jordan's Labor Market Recovery." Economic Research Forum Policy Brief No. 158.

Work In Progress

- "Gender Differences in Reporting Household Shocks" (with Michael King and Tara Bedi)
- "Impact of Public Transport Development on Labor Market Outcomes"
- "Impact of a Job Training and Matching Program on Labor Market Outcomes" (with Ragui Assaad and Caroline Krafft)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research and Policy

Pre-Doc Research Assistant

Jan 2022-Sep 2023

Department of Economics, Trinity College Dublin

Dublin, Ireland

Supervisor: Prof. Michael King

Primary work on an RCT evaluation of the Graduation Programme in Malawi.

- Produced balance and results tables, graphs, and corrected for multiple hypothesis testing (Stata).
- Documented data cleaning processes and produced a project manual.
- Drafted a policy brief presenting programme impact findings.
- Produced a literature review on intimate partner violence and social norms in Mauritania.
- Evaluated the online course “Impact Evaluation Methods” (2021–2022).

Research and Economic Policy Coordinator

Oct 2017–Sep 2021

Economic and Social Council of Jordan

Amman, Jordan

- Co-coordinated producing the State of the Country Report for the years 2018, 2019 and 2020; each covering 22–32 economic and social sector papers.
- Reviewed and edited research papers produced by external researchers.
- Planned and organised dialogue, discussion and dissemination sessions.
- Produced a note on Social Dialogue, featured in the IAESCSI e-newsletter.
- Translation (English–Arabic): website, articles, research summaries.

Research Assistant Intern

Jun–Aug 2020

Trinity Impact Evaluation Unit, Trinity College Dublin

Remote

- Wrote R code to extract Google Trends panel data on intimate partner violence keywords across Italy’s 20 regions (weekly, regional level).
- Conducted preliminary analysis on IPV within different marriage practices.
- Ran two-stage Heckman models in Stata.

Senior Research Assistant (Part-time)

Jul–Aug 2018

J-PAL / UC San Diego

Amman, Jordan

Education Intervention Evaluation

- Interviewed teachers and project staff; submitted reports to PIs.
- Prepared a presentation about program and impact evaluation.
- Translated a dataset on public schools from Arabic to English.
- Assisted in writing the introduction of the process evaluation report.
- Hired two field researchers and recommended a data collection firm.

Research and Program Development Coordinator

Nov 2015–Feb 2016

Queen Rania Foundation for Education and Development

Amman, Jordan

Impact Evaluation Unit

- Cleaned, verified, and merged several datasets.
- Presented at capacity-building sessions on impact evaluationS and RCTs.
- Produced a paper on Financing Early Childhood Development.

Junior Research and Development Officer

Feb-Oct 2015

Jordan Micro credit Company (Tamweelcom)

Amman, Jordan

- Research Assistant on an RCT on Financial Inclusion and Islamic Finance (by Prof. Dean Karlan, Prof. Adam Osman, Nour Shammout).
- Coordinated between researchers and the data collection company; performed quality control checks.

Teaching

Teaching Assistant

Trinity College Dublin

2022-present

Dublin, Ireland

- ECU11031/3 Introduction to Economic Policy A (2022, 2023, 2025)
- ECU11012/14 Introduction to Economics B (2023)

IB Business Management Substitute Teacher

Mashrek International School

Sep–Oct 2021

Amman, Jordan

IB Business Management Teacher

The Ahliyyah School for Girls

Sep 2016–Jun 2017

Amman, Jordan

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

J-PAL's MENA Scholars Fellowship

2023–2025

SKILLS

Research:	Impact Evaluation, RCTs and Quasi-experimental Methods, Qualitative Research
Software:	Stata, R, $\text{\LaTeX}$, Microsoft Office
Languages:	Arabic (native), English (fluent)
Other:	Translation, Policy writing, Capacity-building facilitation, Public speaking

REFERENCES

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