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EDUCATION

PhD student in Public Policy

Aug 2020 - Present

Area: International Development Policy University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Master of Science in Public Health & Public Health Economics Certificate

May 2014

Health Systems, International Health Department Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health

Bachelor of Arts

June 2011

Economics, French

University of California, Davis

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development economics; global health; mixed methods; gender; adolescence

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Pre-Doctoral Trainee, Population Sciences Program

Aug 2020 - Present

Carolina Population Center, UNC Chapel Hill

Consultant

Aug 2020 - Present

Senior Research Analyst

Jan 2020 - Aug 2020

Research Analyst

Jan 2018 - Dec 2019

International Food Policy Research Institute, Washington, DC

Adapt and validate the Women's Empowerment in Agriculture Index (WEAI) and its versions

Provide technical advice to WEAI users

Co-lead workshops and trainings, including enumerator training and pilot testing for WEAI projects

Contribute to quantitative and mixed methods analyses on topics related to gender, agriculture, health and nutrition

Social and Economic Policy Consultant

 $Jul \ 2015 - Dec \ 2017$

UNICEF Office of Research – Innocenti, Florence, Italy

Analyzed large quantitative household datasets such as the Gallup World Poll, Violence Against Children Surveys, and Demographic Health Surveys on maternal, child and adolescent health, nutrition and empowerment

Conducted qualitative data collection on stress among adolescents and youth as part of the Transfer Project

Consultant Mar 2015 - Sept 2016

World Bank, Washington, DC

Conducted cost effectiveness analyses of nutrition scale up in sub-Saharan Africa and South Asia

Contributed to projects on attaining the World Health Assembly nutrition targets by 2025

Provided cost and impact planning support on other projects for the scale up of global nutrition programs, including developing data collection tools

Monitoring and Evaluation Advisor Jhpiego, Baltimore, MD

Jun 2014 - Mar 2015

PUBLICATIONS

- Published work [h-index score 7 in Google Scholar]
- Martinez EM, Myers EC, **Pereira A**. 2020. The Women's Empowerment in Agriculture Index (WEAI). Edited by Sachs CE, Jensen L, Castellanos P, Sexsmith K. 2020. Routledge Handbook of Gender and Agriculture. Routledge: New York
- Heckert J, Pereira A, Doss C, Myers E, Quisumbing A. 2020. Structural transformation and gendered transitions to adulthood among rural youth: Cross-national evidence from low and middle-income countries.

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- **Pereira A**, Peterman A, Neijhoft AN, Buluma R, Daban RA, Islam A, Kainja ET, Kaloga IF, Kheam T, Johnson AK, Maternowska MC. 2020. Disclosure, reporting and help seeking among child survivors of violence: a cross-country analysis. *BMC Public Health*. 20(1): 1-23.
- Heckert J, **Pereira A**, Doss C, Myers EC, Quisumbing A. 2019. Building livelihoods for rural youth: A gendered perspective, In Quisumbing A, Meinzen-Dick R and Njuki J. 2019. Gender Equality in Rural Africa: From Commitments to Outcomes. Washington, DC: IFPRI
- Peterman A, Kumar N, **Pereira A**, Gilligan D. 2019. Toward gender equality: A critical assessment of evidence on social safety nets in Africa, In Quisumbing A, Meinzen-Dick R and Njuki J. 2019. *Gender Equality in Rural Africa: From Commitments to Outcomes*. Washington, DC: IFPRI
- Hall B, Garabiles M, de Hoop J, **Pereira A**, Prencipe L, Palermo T. 2019. Perspectives of adolescent and young adults on poverty related stressors: A qualitative study in Ghana, Malawi, and Tanzania. *BMJ Open*. Oct 14;9(10): e027047
- Doss C, Heckert J, Myers E, **Pereira A**, Quisumbing A. 2019. Gender, rural youth and structural transformation: Evidence to inform innovative youth programming. Background paper for the Rural Development Report 2019. Rome: International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD).
- Palermo T, **Pereira A**, Neijhoft N, Buluma R, Diem P, Kaloga IF, Daban R, Islam A, Kheam T, Lund-Hendriksen B, Maksud N, Maternowska MC, Potts A, Rottanak C, Shawa M, Peterman A. 2019. Risk factors for childhood violence and polyvictimization: A cross-country analysis from three regions. *Child Abuse and Neglect.* 88:348-361.
- Handa S, Daidone S, Peterman A, Davis B, **Pereira A**, Palermo T, Yablonski J on behalf of the Transfer Project. 2018. Myth-busting? Confronting six common perceptions about unconditional cash transfers as a poverty reduction strategy in Africa. World Bank Research Observer. 33(2):259-298.
- Peterman A, Pereira A, Bleck, J, Palermo T, Yount KM. 2017. Women's individual asset ownership and experience of intimate partner violence: Evidence from 28 international surveys. American Journal of Public Health. 107(5): 747–755.
- **Pereira A**, Handa S, Holmqvist G. 2017. Prevalence and correlates of food insecurity among children across the globe. *Innocenti Working Papers* no. 2017-09, UNICEF Office of Research Innocenti, Florence.

- Shekar M, Kakietek J, D'Alimonte MR, Rogers HE, Eberwein JD, Akuoku JK, **Pereira A**, Soe-Lin S, Hecht R. 2017. Reaching the global target to reduce stunting: an investment framework. *Health Policy and Planning*. 1;32(5): 657-68.
- Shekar M, Kakietek J, Eberwein JD, Akuoku JK, **Pereira A**. 2016. Chapter 3: Reaching the global target for stunting. In Shekar M, Kakietek J, Eberwein JD, Walters, D. 2016. An investment framework for nutrition: Reaching the global targets for stunting, anemia, breastfeeding and wasting. World Bank, Washington, DC
- Dayton Eberwein J, Kakietek J, Shekar M, Subandoro A, **Pereira A**, Hyder Z, Sunkutu R, Akuoku JK. 2016. An investment framework for nutrition in Zambia: Reducing stunting and other forms of child malnutrition. *Health, Nutrition and Population Discussion Paper*. World Bank, Washington, DC.
- Shekar M, Hyder Z, Subandoro A, Eberwein JD, **Pereira A**, Akuoku JK. 2016. An investment framework for nutrition in Uganda: Reducing stunting and other forms of child malnutrition. *Health, Nutrition and Population Discussion Paper*. World Bank, Washington, DC.
- Campbell OMR, Benova L, MacLeod D, Goodman C, Footman K, **Pereira AL**, Lynch C. 2015. Who, what, where: an analysis of private sector family planning provision in 57 low- and middle-income countries. *Tropical Medicine & International Health.* 20(12): 1639-1656
- LeFevre A, Mpembeni R, Chitama D, George A, Mohan D, Urassa D, Gupta S, Feldhaus I, **Pereira AL**, Kilewo C, Chebet JJ, Cooper C, Besena G, Lutale H, Bishanga D, Mtete E, Semu H, Baqui A, Killewo J, Winch P. 2015. Profile, knowledge and work patterns of a cadre of maternal, newborn and child health community health workers focusing on preventive and promotive services in Morogoro Region, Tanzania. *Human Resources for Health*, 13:98

Under review

- Heckert J, Martinez EM, Seymour G, **Pereira A**, Malapit H, Roy S, Kim S and Members of the Gender Assets and Agriculture Project Phase 2 (GAAP2) Health and Nutrition Study Team. Development and validation of a health and nutrition module for the project-level Women's Empowerment in Agriculture Index (pro-WEAI). *Under review at Food Policy*
- Quisumbing A, Akhter A, Hoddinott J, **Pereira A**, Roy S. Designing for empowerment impact in agricultural development projects: Experimental evidence from the Agriculture, Nutrition, and Gender Linkages (ANGeL) Project in Bangladesh. *Under review at World Development*
- **Pereira A**, Handa S, Holmqvist G. Food insecurity among households with children across the globe. *Under review at Global Food Security*

In progress

- With Doss C, Meinzen-Dick R, Pradhan R. Women's empowerment, extended families and male migration in Nepal
- Handa S, **Pereira A**, Holmqvist G. The rapid decline of happiness: Exploring life satisfaction among young people across the world

PRESENTATIONS

- Designing for empowerment impact in the Agriculture, Nutrition, and Gender Linkages (ANGeL) Project in Bangladesh. 2019. Sustainability and Development Conference, Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA
- Comparing empowerment transitions of men and women in rural Bangladesh. 2019. Seeds of Change Conference: Gender Equality Through Agricultural Research for Development, Canberra, Australia

- The Monster-in-Law Effect: Linking qualitative observations to quantitative analysis on household structure, migration, and empowerment in Nepal. 2019. Seeds of Change Conference: Gender Equality Through Agricultural Research for Development, Canberra, Australia
- Women's individual asset ownership and experience of intimate partner violence: Evidence from 28 international surveys. 2017. IUSSP International Population Conference, Cape Town, South Africa
- Subjective well-being among young people across the world. Poster. 2017. IUSSP International Population Conference, Cape Town, South Africa
- Disclosure, reporting and help seeking among child survivors of violence an analysis from six countries. 2017. Sexual Violence Research Initiative Forum (SVRI), Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
- Building global estimates of child food insecurity. 2016. Seventh Annual International Conference on Agricultural Statistics (ICAS VII), FAO, Rome, Italy

DATA COLLECTION EXPERIENCE

- Benin and Malawi, 2019 Using WEAI for Value Chains (WEAI4VC) to track empowerment in the Agricultural Technical Vocational Education and Training (ATVET) for Women program. (Quantitative)
- Ghana and Malawi, 2017 Developing a better measure of self-perceived stress among adolescents and youth, adapted to the African context (Qualitative)
- India, 2014 Evaluation of a wheat flour fortification program in Rajasthan (Mixed methods)

Tanzania, 2013 – Evaluation of a community health worker training program (Quantitative)

SHORT-TERM PROJECTS AND COURSES

Demographic and Health Survey eLearning Survey Sampling Training Course, 2019. Washington, DC

- Multidimensional Poverty Analysis Training, 2018. Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK
- Systematic review on private sector provision of family planning services, 2014. London School of Hygiene & Tropical Medicine, London, UK
- GIS Summer Workshop, The GIS Education Center, 2014. City College of San Francisco, CA

SKILLS

Reviewer: Food Security, International Health

Computer Skills: Stata, R (basic), LATEX, ArcGIS (basic)

Language Skills: English (native); French (low proficiency); Spanish, Kannada, Hindi, Italian, Swahili (basic)