

2023 SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

International Education Research

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Assessment and Evaluation

We examine purpose, methods, results, and impact in the field of assessing student capacity and learning in developing countries. We offer training to encourage sound monitoring methods.

2022

Harden, K., Sitabkhan, Y., Betts, K. L., Carrol, B., Cummiskey, C., Bahrawar, L., & DeStefano, J. (2022). *Report on the 2021 Uzbekistan National Early Grade Reading and Mathematics Assessments*. Prepared for the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) under the All Children Reading–Asia program. RTI International. https://pdf.usaid.gov/pdf_docs/PA00ZJZR.pdf

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2021

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Modules:

- 1: Introduction to the training series
- 2: Fundamentals of project design
- 3: MEL plans and indicator development
- 4: Collecting and managing data for performance monitoring
- 5: Evaluation

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Lau, C. Q., Eckman, S. A., Sevilla Kreysa, L. S., & Piper, B. (2020). Language differences between interviewers and respondents in African surveys. In M. Sha & **T. Gabel** (Eds.), *The essential role of language in survey research* (pp. 101–116). Book No. BK-0023-2004. RTI Press. [doi: 10.3768/rtipress.bk.0023.2004](https://doi.org/10.3768/rtipress.bk.0023.2004)

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Disability and Inclusion

With an estimated 15 percent of the world's population having a disability, persons with disabilities are a minority that cannot be ignored. Education systems, educators, communities, and family members must prioritize the right of all children to have full access to high-quality instruction and learning environments, including those with identified or unidentified disabilities.

2022

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2020

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Hayes, A. M., & **Bulat, J.** (2017). *Disabilities inclusive education systems and policies guide for low- and middle-income countries*. Occasional Paper No. OP-0043-1707. RTI Press. [doi: 10.3768/rtipress.2017.op.0043.1707](https://doi.org/10.3768/rtipress.2017.op.0043.1707)

Early Childhood Development

We investigate factors affecting children's early cognitive and physical development, as well as their educational success.

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Black, R., Liu, L., Hartwig, F., Villavicencio, F., Rodriguez-Martinez, A., Vidaletti, L., Perin, J., **Black, M. M.**, Blencowe, H., You, D., Hug, L., Masquelier, B., Cousens, S., **Gove, A.**, et al. (2022). Health and development from preconception to 20 years of age and human capital. *The Lancet*, 399(10336), 1730–1740. [doi: 10.1016/S0140-6736\(21\)02533-2](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0140-6736(21)02533-2)

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Merseth King, K., **Crouch, L. A.**, Wils, A. & Baum, D. R. (2020). How well are we measuring access to early childhood education? *Annual Review of Comparative and International Education 2019: International Perspectives on Education and Society*, 39, 171–189. [doi: 10.1108/s1479-36792020000039016](https://doi.org/10.1108/s1479-36792020000039016)

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Instruction

We promote innovative instructional techniques, especially for low-resource settings, and study their soundness and effectiveness.

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Language

We investigate the effects of language policies and multilingualism on teachers’ instruction and children’s learning.

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2021

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Sowa, P. (2018). Sifting through shifting sands: Confronting the self in teaching bilingual Emirati preservice teachers. In J. Sharkey & M. Madigan Peercy (Eds.), *Self-study of language and literacy teacher education practices: Culturally and linguistically diverse contexts* (1st ed., pp. 203–221). Advances in Research on Teaching Series: Vol. 30. Emerald Group Publishing. doi: [10.1108/S1479-368720180000030015](https://doi.org/10.1108/S1479-368720180000030015)

Mathematics

As with literacy skills, having foundational mathematics skills correlates with students' future accomplishments. We assess competencies, recommend instructional approaches, and measure the impact of mathematics interventions.

2022

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Pandemic Research and Responses

We prepare timely research and thought pieces regarding effects of the coronavirus pandemic and other long-term disruptions on education systems and interventions across the globe.

2021

Angrist, N., de Barros, A., Bhula, R., Chakera, S., **Cummiskey, C.**, **DeStefano, J.**, Floretta, J., Kaffenberger, M., Piper, B., & **Stern, J.** (2021). Building back better to avert a learning catastrophe: Estimating learning loss from COVID-19 school shutdowns in Africa and facilitating short-term and long-term learning recovery. *International Journal of Educational Development–UNICEF Special Edition*, 84, article no. 102397. doi: [10.1016/j.ijedudev.2021.102397](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijedudev.2021.102397)

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Kishore, A., Neff, V., **Strigel, C.**, & Morency-Notario, P. (2021). *Governments' organizational responses to COVID-19: Igniting interest and institutional capacity in EdTech. Study report.* Prepared on behalf of the Basic Education Coalition EdTech Working Group. https://www.basiced.org/s/BEC-EdTech-Survey-Report_9132021.pdf

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- #1: Supporting home learning partners. <https://bit.ly/3oLcVbh>
- #2: Teaching and learning materials. <https://bit.ly/3uZnqvN>
- #3: Use of technology. <https://bit.ly/3HEMknL>
- #4: Student engagement. <https://bit.ly/3JjKkrV>
- #5: Overcoming challenges. <https://bit.ly/3GOi60i>
- #6: School leadership. <https://bit.ly/3JlbND5>
- #7: Literacy instructional practice. <https://bit.ly/3sCO3U7>

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