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## Education

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<b>Rutgers University</b>	New Brunswick, New Jersey
Ph.D. in Economics	May 2026
<i>Dissertation: “Essays on Inequality and Public Finance”</i>	
M.A. in Economics	May 2021
<b>Columbia University</b>	New York, New York
M.A. in Quantitative Methods for the Social Sciences (Economics Concentration)	May 2017
<i>Thesis: “Quasi-Experimental Study of Kuwait’s Currency Basket and Exchange Rate Volatility”</i>	
<b>Imperial College London</b>	London, UK
M.Sc. in Economics and Strategy for Business	October 2016
<b>King’s College London</b>	London, UK
B.Sc. in Business Management	May 2014

## Research Interests

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Labor Economics, Public Finance, Income Inequality, Macroeconomics, Institutional Economics

## Working Papers

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“Geographic Variation in the Marginal Value of Public Funds: Exploring the Interaction of Local Economic Conditions and Earned Income Tax Credit Expansions”

“Income Inequality and Total Factor Productivity: An Inverse-Parabolic Relationship”

“EU Accession, Anti-Corruption Reforms, and Income Inequality”

“The Road to Opulence: A Brief Account of the 18<sup>th</sup> Century Debate on the Role of Consumption as a Means of Wealth Accumulation”

## Teaching Experience (Instructor)

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### Department of Economics, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

- ECON 321: Intermediate Macroeconomic Analysis, Spring 2022
- ECON 103: Introduction to Macroeconomics, Summer 2022

### Writing Program, Rutgers University, New Brunswick

- WP 101: Expository Writing, Fall 2022
- WP 101: College Writing, Fall 2023

### Department of Economics, St. John’s University, New York

- ECON 1301: Introduction to Macroeconomics, Spring 2024, Fall 2024, Fall 2025
- ECON 1320: Economics of Poverty and Inequality, Spring 2025, Fall 2025, Spring 2026

## **Other Teaching and Work Experience**

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### **The World Bank, DECEA, Washington D.C.**

- Short Term Consultant, Fall 2022, Spring 2026

### **Department of Economics, Rutgers University, New Brunswick**

- Introduction to Macroeconomics, Teaching Assistant, Fall 2020
- Macroeconomic Theory II, Graduate Teaching Assistant, Spring 2021
- Development Economics, Teaching Assistant, Spring and Fall 2021
- Population Economics, Teaching Assistant, Fall 2021

### **Institute for Social and Economic Research and Policy, Columbia University, New York**

- Research Assistant, Fall 2016, Spring 2017

## **Skills**

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Languages: Turkish (Native), English (Fluent), French (Fluent), Spanish (Advanced)

Software: R, Stata (proficient) Python, Matlab, SPSS, Gauss (working knowledge)

## **Campus Presence**

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### **Graduate Students Union, Rutgers University**

Department Representative

New Brunswick, New Jersey

2021-2023

### **Graduate Economics Students Association, Rutgers University**

President

New Brunswick, New Jersey

2021-2022

## **References**

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