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Personal

Date of Birth: Jan 2, 1980
Nationality: Turkish (H1B Visa)

Education

- Ph.D. in Economics, Boston College (Sep. 2003 – Aug. 2008)
- M.A. in Economics, Boston College (Sep. 2003 – May 2005)
- M.A. in Economics, Bilkent University (Sep. 2001 – Jun. 2003)
- B.A. in Economics, Bilkent University (Sep. 1997 – Jun. 2001)

Academic Appointments

- Assistant Professor, University at Albany - SUNY, Department of Economics (Sep. 2008 – present)
- Teaching and Research Assistant, Teaching Fellow, Boston College, Department of Economics (Sep. 2003 – May 2008)
- Teaching and Research Assistant, Bilkent University, Department of Economics (Sep. 2001 – Jun. 2003)

Fields of Interest

Public Economics, Labor Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Program Evaluation

Teaching Experience

Undergraduate: Boston College: Principles of Microeconomics, University at Albany - SUNY: Intermediate Microeconomics, Applied Econometrics

Graduate: University at Albany - SUNY: Public Economics (Ph.D.)

Fellowships and Honors

- H. Michael Mann Dissertation Fellowship, Boston College (Summer, 2007)
- Dissertation Fellowship, Boston College Department of Economics (Summer, 2006)
- Research Expense Grant, Boston College Graduate Student Association (Summer, 2006)
- Travel Grant, Canadian Economic Association (2006, 2007)

- Travel Grants from Boston College, Department of Economics (2005-2007), Graduate School of Arts and Sciences (2005-2007)
- Tuition remission and Graduate Assistantship, Boston College Department of Economics (2003-2008)
- Graduate Achievement Scholarship, Bilkent University Department of Economics (2001-2003)
- Tuition remission and Undergraduate Scholarship, Bilkent University (1997-2001)

Research

Publications in Refereed Journals

1. “How responsive are charitable donors to requests to give?”, 2009, *Journal of Public Economics*, 93 (10), 1111-1117.
2. “Charitable giving by married couples revisited”, 2009, forthcoming in *Journal of Human Resources*.
3. “The power of asking in volunteering: Evidence from a matched sample”, 2008, *Economics Letters*, 99 (1), 79-84.
4. “International regulations and environmental performance”, 2008, *Applied Economics*, 40 (7), 807-822 (with O. Zaim).
5. “Negative externalities, productivity growth, and the catching-up hypothesis”, 2007, *Applied Economics Letters*, 14 (6), 429-434.
6. “The Kuznets curve and the effect of international regulations on environmental efficiency”, 2006, *Economics Bulletin*, 17 (1), 1-7 (with O. Zaim).
7. “Productivity growth in OECD countries: A comparison with Malmquist indices”, 2005, *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 33 (2), 401-420 (with O. Zaim).
8. “Measuring the quality of life in European Union: The case of Turkey as a candidate country”, 2003, *International Journal of Social Economics*, 30 (11), 1162-1176 (with O. Zaim).

Chapters in Edited Books

1. “Human capital, innovation, and productivity growth: Tales from Latin America and the Caribbean”, 2009, forthcoming in *Progress in Economics Research*, A. Tavidze (eds.), Vol. 15, Nova Science Publishers, Hauppauge, NY.

Conference and Seminar Presentations

Conference Presentations: Canadian Economic Association (2006, 2007), Southwestern Economic Association (2005), Middle East Economic Association (2003)

Seminar Presentations: Bilkent University (2008), Boğaziçi University (2008), Boston College (2006, 2007), Florida Atlantic University (2008), Koç University (2008), Sabancı University (2008), SUNY at Albany (2008), TOBB ETU (2008)

Professional Activities

Referee: *American Economic Review, Applied Economics, Economica, Economics Letters, Environment and Development Economics, International Regional Science Review, Journal of Environmental Management*

Reviewer: Worth Academic Publishers

Member: American Economic Association

Thesis Students

Committee Member: Kitae Sohn (University at Albany – SUNY, Ph.D. in Economics, May 2009).