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Curriculum Vitae
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EDUCATION

Northwestern University, PhD in Economics, 1999
Boğaziçi University, BA in Economics (High Honors), 1994

EMPLOYMENT

Department of Economics, Nazarbayev University
Professor, 2018-
Associate Professor 2016-2018

Department of Economics, Koç University
Associate Professor 2010-2016

Department of Economics, The University of British Columbia
Associate Professor (with tenure) 2007-2010
Assistant Professor 1999-2007

VISITING POSITIONS

LabEx MME-DII International Chair, ESSEC, Summer 2017

Visiting Associate Professor, Koç University, 2008-2009

HONORS AND GRANTS

Peter Wall Institute of Advanced Studies Faculty Associate

NU Social Policy Research Grant, 2018-2019

LabEx MME-DII International Chair, ESSEC, 2017

Marie Curie International Reintegration Grant, 2011-2014

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Research Grants
“Auctions with Endogenous Entry,” 2007-2010, Principal Investigator

“Information Transmission by Interested Parties,” 2003-2007,
Principal Investigator

“Evolution of Preferences,” 2000-2003, Principal Investigator

Early Career UBC Scholar, Peter Wall Institute of Advanced Studies, 2001-2002

UBC Humanities and Social Sciences Research Grants in 1999, 2000, and 2001

Distinction in the PhD Preliminary Examinations, Northwestern University, 1995

Demir Demirgil Prize, Boğaziçi University, 1994

BUMED Prize Fellowship, Boğaziçi University, 1990-1994

PUBLICATIONS

“Equilibria in Second Price Auctions with Private Participation Costs” (with Xiaoyong Cao, Guofu Tan and Guoqiang Tian), *Economic Theory*, **65**, 231-249, 2018.

“Resale in Second Price Auctions with Costly Participation” (with Gorkem Celik), *International Journal of Industrial Organization* **54**, 148-174, 2017.

“Optimal Auctions with Simultaneous and Costly Participation” (with Gorkem Celik), *The B.E. Journal of Theoretical Economics: Vol. 9: Iss. 1 (Advances)*, Article 24, 2009.

“Evolution of Preferences” (with Eddie Dekel and Jeffrey Ely), *The Review of Economic Studies* **74**, 685-704, 2007.

“Ratifiability of Efficient Collusive Mechanisms in Second Price Auctions with Participation Costs” (with Guofu Tan), *Games and Economic Behavior* **59**, 383-396, 2007.

“Equilibria in Second Price Auctions with Participation Costs” (with Guofu Tan), *Journal of Economic Theory* **130**, 205-219, 2006.

“A Model of Evidence Production and Optimal Standard of Proof and Penalty in Criminal Trials” *Canadian Journal of Economics* **35**, 385-409, 2002.

“Nash Equilibrium and the Evolution of Preferences” (with Jeffrey Ely), *Journal of Economic Theory* **97**, 255-272, 2001.

“Cooperation, Secret Handshakes, and Imitation in the Prisoners’ Dilemma” (with Thomas Wiseman), *Games and Economic Behavior* **37**, 216-242, 2001.

“A Note on the Seller’s Optimal Mechanism in Bilateral Trade with Two-Sided Incomplete Information” *Journal of Economic Theory* **87**, 267-271, 1999.

TEACHING AND ADVISING

Undergraduate Teaching

Intermediate Microeconomics, Honours Intermediate Microeconomics, Game Theory, Contract Theory

Graduate Teaching

Game Theory (PhD), Microeconomics (PhD), Contract Theory (MA), Mathematics for Economists (MA), Microeconomics (MA); Reading Course for PhD Students in Political Economy

PhD Students Advised

Zehra Bilgintürk
Önay Batur
Adam Wong, PhD 2009
Sukanta Bhattacharya, PhD 2006
Lester Kwong, PhD 2005
Tom Quilter, visiting PhD student, 2004-2005

PhD Thesis Examinations

Sebnem Ucar, 2010, Department Defense Chair
April Cai, 2009, Department Defense Chair
Adam Wong, 2009, Supervisory Committee
Pai Xu, 2008, University Examiner
Pai Xu, 2008, Department Defense Examining Committee member
Michael Vlassopoulos, 2007, Dept. Defense Examining Committee Chair
Sukanta Bhattacharya, 2006, Supervisory Committee
Jan Schneider, 2006, University Examiner
Lester Kwong, 2005, Supervisory Committee
Gabriel Dragan, 2003, Department Defense Examining Committee Chair
Robert Petrunia, 2003, Department Defense Examining Committee Chair

MA Thesis Committees

Hakan Özyılmaz (Co-Supervisor), 2015
Alexandr Capsuc (Co-Supervisor), 2015
Vyacheslav Arbuzov (Thesis Committee Member), 2014
Yağmur Dalman (Thesis Committee Member), 2013
Gökçe Çelik (Thesis Committee Member), 2013
Abdullah Bilgin (Thesis Committee Member), 2012

SCHOLARLY AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Departmental Seminar Presentations

2014-2017: Bilgi University, Bilkent University, Boğaziçi University, Essec/THEMA, Istanbul Technical University, Middle East Technical University, National University of Singapore, Nazarbayev University, Şehir University

Before 2014: University of Adelaide, Bilgi University, Boğaziçi University, University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Indian Statistical Institute (Delhi), Koç University, University of Melbourne, University of Michigan, University of New South Wales, Northwestern University, Queen's University, University of Rochester, Sabancı University, Simon Fraser University, Southampton University, University of Southern California, University of Texas at Austin, University of Western Ontario

Conference Organizations

Program Committee Member, SED 5th Conference on Economic Design, Ann Arbor, 2008
Co-organizer, Canadian Economic Theory Conference, Vancouver, 2005
Co-organizer, Canadian Economic Theory Conference, Vancouver, 2003

Conference Presentations

DIMACS Workshop on Auctions with Transaction Costs, New Jersey, 2007
Canadian Economic Theory Conference, Toronto, 2006
PIMS-CMM Summer School, Frontiers in Mathematics and Economics, Vancouver, 2006
Koç Summer Workshop in Economic Theory, Istanbul, 2006
Social Choice and Welfare, 8th International Meeting, Istanbul, 2006
UBC Summer Workshop, Vancouver, 2005
Canadian Economic Theory Conference, Montreal, 2004
Conference on Economic Design, Istanbul, 2000
Econometric Society 8th World Congress, Seattle, 2000

Refereeing

American Economic Review, B.E. Journal of Theoretical Economics, Canadian Journal of Economics, Econometrica, The Economic Journal, Economics Letters, European Economic Review, Games and Economic Behavior, International Economic Review, International Journal of Industrial Organization, Journal of Economic Theory, Journal of Mathematical Economics, Management Science, The Quarterly Journal of Economics, The Rand Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Dynamics, The Review of Economic Studies, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Theoretical Economics; National Science Foundation, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada

SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY

Department of Economics, Nazarbayev University (2016-)

Director of Graduate Studies, MAE, 2016-
Associate Department Chair, 2019-
Department Chair, 2018
Chair of the Graduate Admissions Committee, 2017-2019
Departmental Recruitment Committee, 2017-2019
School of Humanities and Social Sciences Hiring Committee, 2017
Coordinator of the Departmental Recruitment Committee, 2017

Department of Economics, Koç University (2010-2016)

Academic Adviser (about 40 students each year), 2010-2016
Freshman Adviser (about 10 students each year), 2011-2016
Seminars to Undergraduate Students (University-wide), 2013, 2014
(Externalities: Traffic Jams and Global Warming)
Seminars to High School Students on Campus Visits, 2013, 2014
(Externalities: Traffic Jams and Global Warming)
Academic Disciplinary Committee (University-wide), 2013-2015
Chair of the Departmental Recruitment Committee, 2011-2014

Department of Economics, The University of British Columbia (1999-2010)

Recruitment Committee, 2001-2002, 2006-2007
Graduate Admissions Committee, 2000-2001, 2002-2003, 2005-2006
Executive Committee, 2004-2005
Graduate Studies Committee, 2006-2008
Organizer/Co-organizer of Micro Theory Seminars, 2000-2005
E. S. Woodward Prize Committee, 1999-2001
Departmental Meetings Secretary, 1999-2000