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EDUCATION

PhD University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Economics, August 2011
Dissertation Title: *Three Essays in Political Economy*
Dissertation Committee: Mattias Polborn (chair), Werner Baer, Stefan Krasa, Hassan Arvin-Rad
GPA: 3.89 / 4.00
MA Central Michigan University, Economics, 2004
BS Bosphorus University, Istanbul, Turkey, Electrical and Electronics Engineering, 2002

EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor of Economics, University of Tampa, Tampa, FL, 2019 - Present
Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Tampa, Tampa, FL, 2013 - 2019
Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Colby College, Waterville, ME, 2011-2013

RESEARCH & TEACHING INTERESTS

Research interests: Health Economics, Media Economics
Teaching interests: Public Economics, Health Economics, Game Theory, Econometrics, Statistics, Principles of Micro and Macroeconomics, Mathematical Economics, Economic Development, Microeconomic Theory

PUBLICATIONS

Agirdas, C., Krebs, R. J., Yano, M. (2019). The effects of competition on premiums: using United Healthcare's 2015 entry into ACA's marketplaces as an instrumental variable. *Health Economics, Policy and Law*, 14(3), 374-399.

Agirdas, C., Holding, J. G. (2018). Effects of the ACA on preventive care disparities. *Applied Health Economics and Health Policy*, 16(6), 859-869.

Agirdas, C. (2016). How did Medicaid expansions affect labor supply and welfare enrollment? Evidence from the early 2000s. *Health Economics Review*, 6(12), 1-16.

Agirdas, C. (2015). What drives media bias? New evidence from recent newspaper closures. *Journal of Media Economics*, 28(3), 123-141.

Agirdas, C. (2014, August 29). Public agency serves vets better than private market. Orlando Sentinel, pp. A20.

Agirdas, C. (2014, Summer). The ever changing Medicaid. *The Tampa Bay Economy*, 1-3.

PAPERS IN PROGRESS

Agirdas, C. The Effects of ACA's Medicaid Expansions on Emergency Room Overcrowding (*funded by the David DeLo Research Professor Grant*).

Agirdas, C. Does negative campaigning work? Instrumental variables estimates of US Senate elections 2000-2016.

Agirdas, C. Early effects of the Affordable Care Act on risky health behaviors.

GRANTS

2017-2018 David DeLo Research Professor Grant (*Funded maximum amount: \$6000*).

CONFERENCES

UNC-Wilmington Economics Annual Teaching Conference, Wilmington, NC, October 2017.

Eastern Economics Association Annual Conference, New York, NY, February 2017.

Annual Economics Teaching Conference, Tampa, FL, October 2016.

EconED Annual Conference, Ft. Lauderdale, FL, September 2016.

American Economic Association Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA, January 2016.

Southern Economic Association Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, November 2015.

National Society for Experiential Education Conference, St. Petersburg, FL, October 2015.

American Economic Association Annual Conference, Boston, MA, January 2015.

Southern Economic Association Annual Conference, Atlanta, GA, November 2014.

National Society for Experiential Education Conference, Tampa, FL, March 2014.

Southern Economic Association Annual Conference, Tampa, FL, November 2013.

American Economic Association Annual Conference, San Diego, CA, January 2013.

American Economic Association Annual Conference, Denver, CO, January 2011.

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Eastern Economic Association (EEA), 2016-present

National Economics Teaching Association (NETA), 2016-present

Southern Economic Association (SEA), 2014-present

American Economic Association (AEA), 2011-present

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Associate Professor, University of Tampa

Health Economics, scheduled for Fall 2020

Foundational Economics for Managers, 2013-present. (Teaching Evaluation: 4.84 / 5.00)

Principles of Macroeconomics, 2013-present. (Teaching Evaluation: 4.73 / 5.00)

First Year Seminar, 2014-2018. (Teaching Evaluation: 4.73 / 5.00)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE (continued)

Visiting Assistant Professor, Colby College

Econometrics, Spring 2013
Principles of Macroeconomics, Spring 2013 & Fall 2011
Public Economics, Fall 2012
Game Theory, Fall 2012 & Spring 2012
Topics in Economic Development, Spring 2012
Economic Development, Fall 2011

Instructor, Sabanci University (Istanbul, Turkey)

Econometrics, Summer 2011

Instructor, University of Illinois

Principles of Macroeconomics, Summer 2006 & Spring 2011
Principles of Microeconomics, Summer 2008 & Fall 2010
Statistics, Summer 2009

Recitation Instructor, University of Illinois

Mathematics for Economists, Fall 2007 & Fall 2008
Game Theory, Spring 2007 & Spring 2008

Head Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois

Principles of Microeconomics, Fall 2009 & Spring 2010

Teaching Assistant, University of Illinois

Principles of Macroeconomics, Spring 2006, Fall 2006 & Spring 2009
Principles of Microeconomics, Fall 2004, Spring 2005 & Fall 2005

Grader, University of Illinois

Game Theory, Spring 2011
Development Economics, Fall 2008
Public Economics, Fall 2007
Mathematical Economics, Spring 2007
Industrial Organization, Spring 2006

TEACHING AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES

The Graduate Professor of the Year, University of Tampa, 2015/2016

- Awarded to the outstanding professor for excellence in graduate-level teaching
- Voted by graduate students

TEACHING AWARDS AND CERTIFICATES (continued)

The Robert E. Demarest Memorial Teaching Award, University of Illinois, 2006/07, 2007/08, 2009/10 and 2010/11

- Awarded to the outstanding teaching assistant for excellence in undergraduate-level teaching in economics
- Received 4 times

List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent, University of Illinois, 2004-2011

- Received for each teaching semester for a total of 17 semesters
- Awarded an outstanding distinction for 12 out of 17 semesters (top 10% of all teaching assistants campus-wide)

Graduate Teaching Certificate, University of Illinois, 2005

- This certificate marks the completion of a two-semester program designed to enhance teaching skills through professional development seminars and participation in video-taped critiques of teaching.

SERVICE

Economics Department, Member of the Search Committee, 2017-2018

Economics Department, Chair of the Search Committee, 2015-2016

Economics Department, Co-coordinator of Washington, DC field trip, 2015-2016

Economics Department, Member of the Search Committee, 2014-2015

College of Business, Member of the COB Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2014-present

College of Business, Advisor to over 70 COB students, 2014-present

College of Business, Teacher of 12 sections of First Year Seminar for COB students, 2014-2018

College of Business, Faculty mentor of the Geneva Challenge Team of 5 MBA students, 2014-2015

University of Tampa, Member of the UT Diversity Committee, 2018-present

University of Tampa, Elected COB representative of the UT Curriculum Committee, 2016-2018

University of Tampa, Co-chair of the UT Academic Advising Committee, 2015-2016

University of Tampa, Member of the UT Academic Advising Committee, 2014-2015

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Graduate College Fellowship, University of Illinois, 2006/07 and 2007/08

- Received as additional to continuing teaching assistantship

Summer Research Award, University of Illinois, Summer 2007

- Received as a support for continuing research

Second Highest GPA in PhD Core Program in Economics, University of Illinois, 2006

- Ranked as the PhD student with the second highest GPA based on required PhD core courses

Habib A. Zuberi Scholarship, Central Michigan University, 2002/03

- Awarded annually to one graduate student in Master of Arts program in economics

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS (continued)

63rd place in University Admissions Examination, Turkey, 1997

- Ranked 63rd out of approximately 1.5 million students who took the standardized Turkish National Examination for University Admissions

LANGUAGES

Turkish (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Spanish (fluent)

REFERENCES

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