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## EDUCATION

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**Ph.D.** in Economics, American University – Washington DC August 2015  
Dissertation: “Short-Term Interest Rates, Inflation Dynamics and Price-Cost Margins: An Empirical Analysis”  
**M.A.** in Economics, American University – Washington DC December 2011  
**M.A.** in Economics, National University of Iran – Tehran 2007  
**B.A.** in Economics, Allameh Tabatabaie University – Tehran 2004

## CURRENT EMPLOYMENT

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**Economist**, U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis September 2015 - Present  
Regional Analysis and Special Studies Branch  
**Adjunct Lecturer**, University of Maryland, College Park August 2017- Present  
Department of Economics – Masters Program in Applied Economics  
Courses: International Macroeconomics

## PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

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**Summer Intern**, International Monetary Fund (IMF) June 2014 - September 2014  
Statistics Department: Real Sector  
**Adjunct Lecturer**, American University – Washington DC  
Department of Economics January 2012-January 2015  
Courses: Introductory Macroeconomics  
School of International Service August 2015-May 2015  
Courses: Masters level International Economics (online)

## FIELDS AND INTERESTS

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**RESEARCH:**  
Monetary and Macroeconomics, International Economics, and Regional Economics

## PROJECTS

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**Big Data:**  
COVID19 Task Force – Investigate Immediate Impact on the US-economy Incorporating credit card transaction data in official statistics  
Creating Sub-State Estimates for Personal Consumption expenditures  
Improving Regional Personal Consumption Estimates Using Credit Card Transactions Data along with Surveys  
**Digital Economy:**  
Committee Member on Measuring Digital Economy

## WORKING PAPERS

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Local Economic Shocks and the Geography of Consumption: The Case of the Great Recession, Joint with Abe Dunn  
A Measure of Quality of Life Revealed From Consumption Patterns Across Geographies, Joint with Abe Dunn  
Racial Bias in Central Bank Policy: Racial and Ethnic Differences in the Job Flow Response to Contractionary Monetary Policy, Joint with Erin George  
The Effects of Short-Term Interest Rate Changes on Inflation Dynamics, Job Market Paper  
The Effects of Short-Term Interest Rate Changes on Price-Cost Margins

## PUBLISHED WORK

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Personal Consumption Expenditures by States for 2008-2015, joint with Ledia Guci, Christian Awuku-Budu, and Chris Lucas, Survey of Current Business, (November 2016)  
Personal Consumption Expenditures by States for 1997-2014 joint with Ledia Guci, Christian Awuku-Budu, and Chris Lucas, Survey of Current Business, (December 2015)

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

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<b>Econometric Paper Competition Award</b> , American University	2014
<b>Dissertation Fellowship</b> , American University	Spring 2014
<b>Summer Fellowship</b> , Info Metrics Institute at American University	Summer 2012
<b>Economics Graduate Study Fellowship</b> , American University	2008-2011

## PRESENTATIONS

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**Southern Regional Science Association, April 2019**, Presentation title: “Experimental Sub-State Estimates of Personal Consumption Expenditures”  
**Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, November 2018**, Presentation title: “Racial Bias in Central Bank Policy: Racial and Ethnic Differences in the Job Flow Response to Contractionary Monetary Policy”  
**Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, November 2016**, Chaired a session on ”Economic Measurement”  
**Western Economic Association International Annual Meetings, July 2016**, Presentation title: “Rethinking Insurance”  
**Midwest Economic Association, March 2016**, Presentation title: “The Effects of Short-Term Interest Rate Changes on Price-Cost Margins”  
**Eastern Economic Association, March 2015**, Presentation title: “The Effects of Short-Term Interest Rate Changes on Inflation Dynamics, Job Market Paper”

## WORKSHOPS

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**Economic Measurement Course**, University of Maryland-College Park at Bureau of Labor Statistics, by Katharine Abraham, Fall 2016  
**Formulation, Estimation, and Policy Analysis with DSGE Models with Financial Frictions**, by Lawrence Christiano, at the ICD at the IMF, Summer 2014  
**Data Mining**, American University by Teddy Seidenfeld, Summer 2012  
**Greenberg Teaching Seminar year 1, 2, and 3**, American University, 2010-2012  
**Financial Econometrics Seminar**, American University by Eric Zivot, Summer 2009

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Computer:** STATA, Matlab (Dynare), L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Eviews, Datastream, Bloomberg

**Languages:** Farsi, English

## REFERENCES

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