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- EDUCATION Ph.D., Economics, The Pennsylvania State University (2010)  
M.A., Economics, Boğaziçi University - Istanbul, Turkey (2004)  
B.A., Management, Boğaziçi University - Istanbul, Turkey (2002)
- CURRENT Professor of Economics, University of Virginia, since 2020
- AFFILIATIONS Research Fellow at the National Bureau of Economic Research (since 2020), Center for Economic Policy Research (since 2019) and CESifo Research Network (since 2014)  
Associate Editor, Journal of International Economics, since 12/2022.
- PAST Associate Professor of Economics, University of Virginia, 2016-2020
- AFFILIATIONS Assistant Professor of Economics, Stockholm School of Economics, 2015-2016  
Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Chicago Booth School of Business, 2010-2015  
Visiting researcher at the London School of Economics (2014), Stockholm School of Economics (2014), Ludwig Maximilians University of Munich/CESifo (2014)
- PUBLICATIONS
12. Roads, Domestic Trade and Regional Outcomes (with B. Demir, D. Ghose and N. Young), *Journal of Economic Geography*, vol.22(5), 2022.
  11. The Geopolitics of International Trade in Southeast Asia (with B. Thomas), *Review of World Economics*, vol.157(1), 2021.
  10. Trade, Merchants and Lost Cities of the Bronze Age (with G. Barjamovic, T. Chaney and A. Hortacsu), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, vol.134(3), 2019.
  9. Shipping Inside the Box : Containerization and Trade (with B. Demir), *Journal of International Economics*, vol.114, 2018.
  8. What Drives Home Market Advantage? (with P. Grieco, S. Li and F. Tintelnot), *Journal of International Economics*, vol.110, 2018.
  7. Firm Dynamics, Job Turnover and Wage Distributions in an Open Economy, (with N. Guner and J. Tybout), *American Economic Review*, vol.106(3), 2016.
  6. Necessary and Sufficient Conditions of Dynamic Optimization, (with E. Green), *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, vol.20(3), 2016.
  5. Domestic Road Infrastructure and International Trade: Evidence from Turkey, (with B. Demir), *Journal of Development Economics*, vol.118, 2016.
  4. Internal Geography, International Trade, and Regional Specialization, (with P. Fajgelbaum), *American Economic Review*, vol.8(1), 2016.
  3. Bias in Estimating Border- and Distance-related Trade Costs: Insights from an Oligopoly Model, (with P. Grieco and F. Tintelnot), *Economics Letters*, vol.126, 2015.
  2. Borders, Geography, and Oligopoly: Evidence from the Wind Turbine Industry, (with P. Grieco and F. Tintelnot), *Review of Economics and Statistics*, vol.97(3), 2015.
  1. Human Capital, Technology Adoption and Development, *The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics: Contributions*, vol.11(1), 2011.

- WORKING PAPERS
1. Rise and Fall of Empires in the Industrial Era: A Story of Shifting Comparative Advantages (with R. Bonfatti) - NBER working paper 30295, CEPR discussion paper 17482. Under review.
- WORK IN PROGRESS
1. Aggregate, Sectoral and Regional Implications of Transportation Costs (with S. Oso-timehin and L. Popov)
  2. The Baltic Exchange: Weather Risk and International Trade in Early Modern Europe (with S. Alder and J. Colmer)
- OTHER WRITINGS
1. "Overland Transport Costs: A Review." World Bank Policy Research Working Paper 10156, prepared as a background paper for the Global Transport Practice Flagship Report *Shrinking Economic Distance*. September 2022.
  2. Comment on 'The Export Performance of Turkey (1996-2013)' by Seda Koymen Ozer and Selin Sayek Boke, *Iktisat, İşletme ve Finans*, 2015, 30 (350) 93-120.
  3. EBRD Transition Report 2017-18, "Chapter 3: Infrastructure and Growth," joint with Banu Demir Pakel and Nathaniel Young.
  4. Adjusting to Trade Liberalization: Reallocation and Labor Market Policies (permanently retired working paper).
- AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS
- 2021 U. of Virginia Quantitative Collaborative Seed Grant; U of Virginia Center for Global Inquiry and Innovation Grant.
- 2018 U. of Virginia Center for Global Inquiry and Innovation Center Grant: "*Assessment of China's Belt and Road Initiative*," Co-PI with Dorothy Wong
- 2018 Excellence in Refereeing Award, The Economic Journal
- 2017 U. of Virginia Quantitative Collaborative Seed Grant.
- 2015 U. of Chicago Neubauer Collegium Grant: "*Economic Analysis of Ancient Trade: The Case of the Old Assyrian Merchants*"
- 2015 National Science Foundation Grant: "*Trade Costs, Preferences, and Government Policies: Understanding Market Outcomes in the World Automobile Industry*"
- 2014 Excellence In Refereeing Award, Journal of the European Economic Association
- 2011-2012 U. of Chicago Booth School of Business, IGM Grant
- 2010-2011 U. of Chicago Booth School of Business, G.D. Eppen Faculty Fellowship
- 2006 National Science Foundation, Graduate Student Award to attend the 2. Lindau Meeting of Nobel Laureates and Students in Economic Sciences in Lindau, Germany
- TEACHING
- International Trade (UVa undergraduate; UVa and U. of Chicago PhD level), Economic Geography (UVa undergraduate), Firms in the Global Economy (Stockholm School of Economics M.A.), Managing the Firm in the Global Economy (Chicago Booth MBA).
- Doctoral Students (year of graduation and first placement)*
- Yubo Liu (2018, Welch Consulting; committee member)
  - Ben Hamilton (2019, James Madison University; committee member)
  - Abiy Teshome (2019, Analysis Group; committee member)
  - Pingyu He (2019, Facebook; committee member)
  - Myunghwan Yoo (2019; committee member)
  - Devaki Ghose (2020, World Bank Development Research Group; main advisor)
  - Hundanol Kebede (2020, post-doc with the World Bank Development Research Group, 1st placement Southern Illinois University; main advisor)
  - Haruka Takayama Hasegawa (2020, SUNY Albany; main advisor)
  - in progress: Nan Liu, Yooseon Hwang, Yuyao Song, Gizem Kutlu.

PROFESSIONAL *Seminar Presentations*

ACTIVITIES

2022: George Mason, William&Mary, Michigan State, Louisiana State, Indiana Uni., Boston Uni., UConn. 2021: LMU Munich, Penn State, Lund University. 2020: FREIT Empirical Trade Online Seminar, NYU Abu Dhabi. 2019: Hong Kong University, Chinese University of Hong Kong, UCSD, World Bank, Grinnell College. 2018: Koç University, KOF-ETH Zürich, University of Kentucky, St. Louis Fed, Johns Hopkins SAIS, Cleveland Fed, UC Irvine, Claremont McKenna. 2017: Harvard, Georgia Tech, Georgetown, Dartmouth, InterAmerican Development Bank, Berkeley, UNC, American University, Stanford, University of Oregon. 2016: University of Virginia. 2015: Drexel, Purdue, University of Rochester, Einaudi Institute, UC de Louvain, Nottingham University. 2014: LMU Munich, CESifo Institute, Central European University, Uppsala University, Stockholm School of Economics, Mannheim University, Oslo University, Aarhus University, Essex University, Nottingham University, Oxford University, Graduate Institute Geneva, Toulouse School of Economics, U. College London, Sciences Po. 2013: Chicago Booth, Harvard University, University of Maryland, Central Bank of Turkey, DePaul University, St.Louis Fed. 2012: Chicago Booth, Columbia University, Princeton University, Chicago FED, Sabanci University, Bilkent University. 2011: University of Cambridge, London School of Economics, Boston University, Boston FED, NYU, UCLA, University of Minnesota. 2010: University of Rochester, University of Oregon, Wellesley College, Chicago Booth, University of Toronto, John Hopkins SAIS, Michigan State University, Georgetown University, Yale University, Syracuse University.

*Conference Presentations*

2022: Padua GEP International Workshop, Bayreuth TRISTAN Trade Conference, Urban Economic Association N.America Meeting. 2021: CEPR ERWIT, SEA Annual Meeting. 2020: SEA Annual Meeting (online). 2019: AEA Meetings, TIGN Annual Conference, SED Annual Meeting, Richmond FED Regional Economics Conference. 2018: EBRD Conference on Growth in Middle-Income Economies, Barcelona Summer Forum, Urban Economics Association Meeting, UECE Lisbon Meetings, SEA Annual Meeting. 2017: FREIT EITI Indonesia, CESifo Global Economy, SAET, NBER ITI Summer Institute, Hitotsubashi Summer Institute, SEA Annual Meeting. 2016: NOITS Nordic International Trade Seminars, CEPR ERWIT, Danish International Economics Workshop, NBER ITI Summer Institute, IEA Panama Channel Roundtable on Geography Transport and Global Trade. 2015: CESifo Global Economy Conference, EEA Annual Meeting, FREIT EIIT Purdue, Koç University Winter Workshop. 2014: FREIT RMET Canada, Bilkent International Trade Workshop, Princeton IES Workshop, ETSG Conference. 2013: AEA Annual Meeting, Florida International Trade Workshop, SED Annual Meeting, SAET Conference, China Economics Summer Institute. 2012: Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting, European Economic Association Annual Meeting, Midwest International Trade Conference, Boğaziçi CEE Annual Conference. 2011: Philadelphia Workshop on Macroeconomics, WB-ILO Workshop on Globalization and Labor Market Outcomes, SED Annual Meeting, TIGN Annual Conference, FREIT EIIT Purdue, Aarhus University Conference on Globalization, Koç University Winter Workshop. 2010: Uppsala Trade Workshop, Penn State New Faces in International Economics Conference, NBER ITI Winter Meeting. 2009: SED Annual Meeting, Midwest International Trade Conference, IZA/World Bank Employment and Development Conference, Cornell-Penn State Macro Workshop, Missouri Economics Conference.

*Refereeing and Journal Involvement*

Journal of Political Economy (x13), Quarterly Journal of Economics (x7), Econometrica (x7), Review of Economic Studies (x5), American Economic Review (x3), Journal of International Economics (x31), Review of Economics and Statistics (x15), Journal of the European Economic Association (x11), Journal of Urban Economics (x3), Journal of Economic Theory (x1), Review of International Economics (x2), Journal of Development Economics (x4), Journal of

Economic Geography (x1), Journal of Monetary Economics (x1), Scandinavian Journal of Economics (x2), Economics Letters (x3), AEJ Applied Economics (x2), AEJ Microeconomics (x1), AEJ Macroeconomics (x4), AEJ Economic Policy (x3), European Economic Review (x8), International Economic Review (x3), Review of Economic Dynamics (x3), Canadian Journal of Economics (x7), Economic Inquiry (x1), Economic Journal (x7), IMF Economic Review (x1), BE Journal of Macroeconomics (x3), Regional Studies (x1), Economics of Transition (x1), American Journal of Agricultural Economics (x1), Journal of Production Analysis (x1), World Development (x1), RAND Journal of Economics (x1), World Development (x1), International Review of Economics & Finance (x1), International Journal of Industrial Organization (x2), Geopolitics (x1), Journal of Transport Economics and Policy (x1), Pearson Education (x1), European Research Council (x1), National Science Foundation (x2).

Guest editor, IMF Economic Review Special Conference Issue on “Transformational Recovery: Seizing Opportunities from the Crisis”

### *Consulting*

- European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (2017-2018)
- The World Bank (2021-2022)
- Robins Kaplan LLP (2021-2022)

### *Organization and Service*

#### Department/University:

- Session chair and discussant on “Trade, Economics, and Material Culture,” UVA - University of Hong Kong Conference on the Antecedents of Belt and Road Initiative (December 2020).
- Graduate program admission director, UVA Economics (2017-present)
- Faculty member of the UVA East Asia Center (2019-present)
- Member of the faculty advisory committee, UVA European Studies Program (2018-present)

To the Profession: - Co-organizer of the “Politics and Economics of the Belt and Road Initiative Workshop” at UVA, joint with Shirley Lin and Dorothy Wong

- Organization committee member for the annual Mid-Atlantic Trade Workshop (2017-present), organized and hosted two in person workshops (2017, 2022) and one online workshop (2020) <http://midatlantictradeworkshop.weebly.com/>

- Organizer and moderator: CEPR ITRE new member presentation series (2022, online)
- Session organizer: American Economic Association-Allied Social Sciences 2013 Meeting
- Program committee member: 2016 European Economics Association-ESEM Annual Congress, CEE/Bogazici Annual Conference 2013
- Panel moderator: Turkish Heritage Organization and GPI panel on Turkey’s Economic Outlook; Turkish American Scientists and Scholars Association 2016 Conference Economics Session

#### Extracurricular:

- Member of the Executive Committee of the Turkish American Scientists and Scholars Association (2017-present)