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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)** *2023 - Present*
Senior Financial Economist, Division of Economic and Risk Analysis
- Council of Economic Advisers (CEA)** *2025 - 2026*
Senior Economist, Executive Office of the President (detail from SEC)
- The Brattle Group** *2022 - 2023*
Financial Economist, Securities Litigation
- International Monetary Fund (IMF)** *2014 - 2017*
Research Analyst, Finance Department
- Navigant Consulting** *2011 - 2013*
Consultant, Valuation and Financial Risk Management

EDUCATION

- Carnegie Mellon University** *2017 - 2022*
Ph.D., Financial Economics
Dissertation: [The Composition of Limited Partners in Private Equity Funds](#)
- Carnegie Mellon University** *2017 - 2019*
M.S., Financial Economics, GPA: 3.95/4.0
- George Washington University** *2013 - 2015*
M.S., Finance, GPA: 3.95/4.0
- American University in Cairo** *2007 - 2011*
B.B.A., Finance, *Summa Cum Laude*

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Private Equity and Venture Capital; Asset Management; Applied Econometric Methods; Financial Crises and Contagion; Government Policy and Regulation; Banking; Corporate Finance and Valuation

SELECTED RESEARCH PAPERS

- [The Composition of Limited Partners in Private Equity Funds \(Job Market Paper\)](#) *2021*
- [Does LP Composition Persistence Drive GP Performance Persistence in Private Equity?](#) *2021*
- [Do Bank Branch Closures Affect Credit Provision? Evidence from Consumer Loans](#) *2020*
- [Speed of Financial Contagion and Optimal Timing for Intervention](#) *2019*

SELECTED POLICY PUBLICATIONS

Unlocking Retail Access to Private Equity Investments Through Defined Contribution Plans, Economic Report of the President, Chapter 12	2026
The Cost of Capital Misallocation to ESG Investments with an Environmental Focus, Economic Report of the President, Chapter 13	2026
Retail Access to Alternative Investments Via Defined Contribution Plans, CEA Policy Paper	2025
Trump Accounts Give the Next Generation a Jump Start on Saving, CEA Policy Paper	2025
Adequacy of the Global Financial Safety Net - Considerations for Fund Toolkit Reform, IMF Policy Paper	2017
Ukraine: Ex-Post Evaluation of Exceptional Access Under the 2014 Standby Arrangement, IMF Country Report No. 16/320	2016
Currency Amounts in the SDR Basket - Proposed Changes to the Rounding Methodology, IMF Policy Paper	2016
Review of the Adequacy of the Fund's Precautionary Balances, IMF Policy Paper	2016

SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS, & AWARDS

Performance Award, Securities and Exchange Commission	2023, 2024, 2025
Aydemir Family Summer Paper Prize in Memory of Rick Green, Carnegie Mellon University	2019
PNC Research Assistantship Award, Carnegie Mellon University	2019
William Larimer Mellon Fellowship, Carnegie Mellon University	2017 - 2022
Beta Gamma Sigma, George Washington University	2015
Merit Scholarship Award, George Washington University	2014 - 2015
Dean's Honors List, American University in Cairo	2007 - 2011
Academic Achievement Scholarship, American University in Cairo	2007 - 2011

CONFERENCES & WORKSHOPS

- 2026: American Finance Association (AFA); Conference on Financial Market Regulation (CFMR)
- 2025: American Finance Association (AFA)
- 2024: American Finance Association (AFA); Western Finance Association (WFA); Conference on Financial Market Regulation (CFMR)
- 2023: Conference on Financial Market Regulation (CFMR)
- 2022: American Finance Association (AFA)
- 2021: American Finance Association (AFA); Western Finance Association (WFA)
- 2020: American Finance Association (AFA); Western Finance Association (WFA); Society for Financial Studies (SFS) Cavalcade; Macro Finance Society - Wharton Virtual Summer School
- 2019: Society for Financial Studies (SFS) Cavalcade; Princeton Initiative: Macro, Money and Finance; Tepper - Laboratory for Aggregate Economics and Finance (LAEF) Advances in Macro-Finance; Finance Theory Group Summer School (FTG)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Carnegie Mellon University

Instructor, Tepper School of Business

2021

Undergraduate – Finance (Summer ‘21), Teaching Rate: 4.8/5.0

Carnegie Mellon University

Teaching Assistant, Tepper School of Business

2018 - 2021

Undergraduate – Corporate Valuation (‘19, ‘20, ‘21), Finance (‘19, ‘20)

MBA – Global Economics (‘21), Venture Capital & Private Equity (‘21), Corporate Finance (‘20, ‘21)

PhD – Econometrics I (‘19), Macroeconomics I (‘18)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Securities and Exchange Commission

Review Committee, Conference on Financial Market Regulation

2025, 2026

Seminar Committee, [DERA Academic Seminar Series](#)

2024 - 2025

Carnegie Mellon University

Ph.D. Coordinator, Tepper Finance Seminar Series

2020 - 2021

MISCELLANEOUS

Programming: Stata, MATLAB, SAS, Python, Excel VBA, L^AT_EX