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Professional Experience

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission   *2023 - Present*
Financial Economist, Division of Economic and Risk Analysis

The Brattle Group   *2022 - 2023*
Financial Economist, Securities Litigation

International Monetary Fund   *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, Venture Capital, and Hedge Funds; Applied Econometric Methods; Financial Crises and Contagion; Government Policy and Regulation; Banking; Corporate Finance and Valuation

Scholarships, Honors, & Awards

SEC Performance Award, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission	*2023, 2024*
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*

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)

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

Adequacy of the Global Financial Safety Net - Considerations for Fund Toolkit Reform,   *2017*
IMF Policy Paper

Ukraine: Ex-Post Evaluation of Exceptional Access Under the 2014 Standby Arrangement,   *2016*
IMF Country Report No. 16/320

Currency Amounts in the SDR Basket - Proposed Changes to the Rounding Methodology,   *2016*
IMF Policy Paper

Review of the Adequacy of the Fund's Precautionary Balances, IMF Policy Paper   *2016*

Conferences & Workshops

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)

ACADEMIC SERVICE

U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission

Seminar Committee, DERA Academic Seminar Series   *Fall 2024 - Present*

Review Committee, Conference on Financial Market Regulation   *2025*

Carnegie Mellon University

Ph.D. Coordinator, Tepper Finance Seminar Series   *2020 - 2021*

MISCELLANEOUS

Programming: Stata, MATLAB, SAS, Python, Excel VBA, LaTeX