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EDUCATION

- PhD in Economics: Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. May 2009
- M.A. in Economics: Georgetown University, Washington, D.C. May 2006
- B.A. in Economics: Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey 2004

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Monetary Economics, Macrolabor, International Finance, Turkish Banking Sector, Applied Econometrics

Working Papers

- Bank Specific and Macroeconomic Determinants of Profitability: Evidence From Participation Banks in Turkey.
- Labor Market Institutions and Labor Productivity Growth.
- What Determines the Non-Performing Loans Ratio: Evidence From Turkish Commercial Banks.
- Why Bank Market Value/Book Value Ratios So Different: Evidence From Turkish Banking Sector.

Published Papers

- Natural Rate of Unemployment and the Flexibility of Labor Markets, forthcoming in Journal of Economic Research.
- Recent Evidence on Concentration and Competition in Turkish Banking Sector, forthcoming in International Research Journal of Finance and Economics.
- "Monetary Policy and Productivity Shocks With Endogenous Hours and On-the-Job Search," *Journal of Economic and Social Research*, Vol.12 No.2, 2010.
- "Labor Market Institutions and Wage and Inflation Dynamics," *Economic Analysis and Policy*, Vol.40 No.3, 2010.

- “The Role of Labor Market Institutions on Wage and Inflation Dynamics: Empirical Evidence From OECD Economies,” *Economic Analysis and Policy*, Vol.40 No.1, March 2010

ACADEMIC AWARDS

- Georgetown University Economics Graduate Merit Scholarship 2004-2005, 2005-2006, 2006-2007, 2007-2008.
- Distinction for being one of the best 10 students of the class. Bogazici University

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Current Positions

- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics at Süleyman Şah University, İstanbul, Turkey. March 2011-Present
- Director, Economic Studies Center at Süleyman Şah University, İstanbul, Turkey. November 2011-Present
- Columnist, at www.haberaktuel.com.

Past Positions Held

- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics at Beykent University, Istanbul, Turkey. September 2009- March 2011
- Assistant Manager in Foreign Borrowings Team at Akbank, Istanbul, Turkey. June 2008-August 2009
- Winter Internship at State Planning Organization, Ankara, Turkey. Winter 2002

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “Labor Market Institutions and Wage and Inflation Dynamics” , Midwest Economics Association 2009 Annual Meeting, Cleveland, OH, March 2009.
- “Monetary Policy and Productivity Shocks With Endogenous Hours and On-the-Job Search” , Central Bank of Turkey, Job Market Presentations, 2009.

SKILLS

- Bi-lingual: Turkish(native language), English(fluent)
- IT skills: Stata, Gauss, Matlab, EViews, Microsoft Word and Excel