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Employment

Assistant Professor of Economics August 2023 – present
Department of Economics, Athens University of Economics and Business
Assistant Professor of Economics August 2018 – August 2023
Department of Economics, Virginia Commonwealth University

Education

Ph.D. in Economics 2012 – 2018
University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA)
Committee: Gary Hansen, Pierre-Olivier Weill, Lee Ohanian, Till von Wachter
M.Sc. in Economics 2010 – 2012
Athens University of Economics and Business (AUEB)
Summa Cum Laude
B.Sc. in Economics 2006 – 2010
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Summa Cum Laude

Research Interests

Macroeconomics; Search and Matching Theory; Labor Economics; Financial Economics; Monetary Economics; Fiscal Policy

Research Papers

- “Unobserved Heterogeneity and Skill Loss in a Structural Model of Duration Dependence”
Published in the Review of Economic Dynamics, Vol. 39, January 2021
- “The Unintended Consequences of Meritocratic Government Hiring”
with Thanasis Geromichalos; Published in the European Economic Review, Vol.144, May 2022
- “Intermediation in Over-the-Counter Markets with Price Transparency”
with Miroslav Gabrovski; Published in the Journal of Economic Theory, Vol. 198, December 2021
- “Worker Mobility and UI Extensions”
with Andreas Gulyas and Johannes Goensch; Published in the European Economic Review, Vol. 162, February 2024
- “The Evolution of Labor Market Disparities between Hispanic and non-Hispanic Men: 1968-2019”
with Leslie Stratton; Revise and Resubmit in the Journal of Population Economics
- “The Real Effects of Financial Disruptions in a Monetary Economy”
with Miroslav Gabrovski, Athanasios Geromichalos, Lucas Herrenbrueck, and Sukjoon Lee; Revise and Resubmit in the Journal of Monetary Economics

“How Much Work Experience Do You Need to Get Your First Job?”

with Shisham Adhikari and Thanasis Geromichalos; Submitted

“An Experimental Evaluation of the Over-the-Counter Search Model”

with Oleg Korenok and John Lightle; Submitted

Presentations

2024: University of Mannheim, Midwest Macro Spring 2024

2023: Richmond Fed, VCU (Dean’s Seminar), Virginia Economics Association, UC Davis, UC Irvine (West Coast Search and Matching Group Meeting), University of Cyprus, Barcelona Summer Forum, CRETE, Athens Winter Econ Meeting

2022: VCU (Dean’s Seminar), University of Hawaii Manoa, Drexel University, University of Athens, Bank of Greece

2021: UC Riverside, UC Irvine (brown-bag), VCU (Dean’s Seminar), RES Annual Conference, IZA Workshop on Labor Market Institutions, Athens University of Economics and Business

2020: UC Irvine (brown-bag), VCU (Dean’s Seminar), Online Search and Matching Seminar (“Coconuts”)

2019: UC Davis (brown-bag), UCLA (brown-bag), UC Irvine (brown-bag), North American Econometric Society Summer Meeting, University of Athens

2018: Reed College, Federal Reserve Board, VCU, Analysis Group (Los Angeles), San Francisco FED (West Coast Search and Matching Group Meeting), Richmond FED (brown-bag)

2017: UC Irvine (brown-bag), SAEe Meetings, RES PhD Meetings

Teaching

At AUEB

Mathematics for Economists

Graduate Macroeconomic Theory

International Macroeconomics

At VCU

Money and Banking

Principles of Microeconomics

Advanced Macroeconomic Theory

At UCLA

Intermediate Microeconomic Theory

Money and Banking

Grants, Awards & Fellowships

Grants

- DRASI I financial support for new faculty members 2024-2025
“Applications of Search and Matching Models”; Principal Investigator
- Greece 2.0 Basic Research Financing Action 2023-2025
“Behavioural Based Socioeconomic Analysis: New Data and Applications”; Member of Scientific Team
- VCU School of Business Small Research Grant 2022
“An Experimental Investigation of Search Models of Over-the-Counter Markets”; Member of Scientific Team

Awards

- Outstanding Research Performance Award in AUEB Econ Department For “Worker Mobility and UI Extensions” Spring 2024
- Best Paper for the Virginia Association of Economists Annual Meeting For “The real effects of financial disruptions in a monetary economy” Spring 2023
- Teaching Assistant award (based on students’ evaluations) Fall 2013

Fellowships

- Dissertation Year Fellowship from UCLA Graduate Division 2017 – 2018
- Ph.D. Fellowship, UCLA Economics Department 2012 – 2017
- IHS Summer Graduate Research Fellowship Summer 2017
- IHS Ph.D. Fellowship 2016 – 2018
- Adam Smith Fellow, Mercatus Center 2016 – 2017
- Tuition fees exemption for M.Sc., Department of Economics, AUEB 2010 – 2012
- Michael Magdalinos fellowship, Department of Economics, AUEB Fall 2010
- National Fellowships Foundation of Greece (IKY) fellowship 2006 – 2007

Service

- Research Seminar Organizer, AUEB Economics Seminar Series 2023 – present
- Local Organizer, Athens Winter Econ Meeting 2023 – present
- Member, Search and Matching in Macro and Finance 2022 – present
- Research Seminar Organizer, VCU Economics Seminar Series 2018 – 2023
- Macro Practice Seminar Organizer, UCLA Graduate Economics Association 2016 – 2017
- Graduate Librarian, UCLA Graduate Economics Association 2014 – 2016

Referee for: *International Economic Review, Review of Economic Dynamics, Journal of Economic Theory, Economic Theory, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Journal of Mathematical Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory*