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Academic Position

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Purdue University, 2020-present.
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Purdue University, 2019-2020.

Education

Ph.D., Economics, University of Michigan, 2019.
M.A., Economics, University of Michigan, 2016.
B.A., Economics, Bogazici University, 2013.
B.A., Political Science and International Relations, Bogazici University, 2013.

Publications

1. “Branching-Independent Random Utility Model.”
Journal of Economic Theory, 2024, vol. 220, 105880.
2. “A Random Reference Model,” with Ozgur Kibris and Yusufcan Masatlioglu.
American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, 2024, vol. 16(1), 155-209.
3. “Reference Dependence and Random Attention,” with Matthew Kovach.
Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, 2023, vol. 215, 421–441.
4. “A Theory of Reference Point Formation,” with Ozgur Kibris and Yusufcan Masatlioglu.
Economic Theory, 2023, vol. 75, 137–166.
5. “Decision Making within a Product Network,” with Yusufcan Masatlioglu.
Economic Theory, 2021, vol. 71, 185–209.
6. “A Random Attention Model,” with Matias Cattaneo, Xinwei Ma, and Yusufcan Masatlioglu.
Journal of Political Economy, 2020, vol. 128(7), 2796–2836.

Working Papers

1. “A Revealed Preference Framework for AI Alignment.” (March 2026)
2. “Robust Maximum Likelihood Updating.” (December 2025)
3. “Entropy Regularized Belief Reporting.” (November 2025)

Teaching Experience

Purdue University, Instructor, 2019-present.

Econ 340, Intermediate Microeconomic Theory.

Econ 606, Microeconomic Theory.

Econ 615, Mathematical Analysis for Economists.

University of Michigan, Graduate Student Instructor, 2014-2019.

Econ 101, Principles of Economics.

Econ 398, Strategy.

Econ 401, Intermediate Microeconomic Theory.

Awards, Honors, and Fellowships

Daniels School of Business Distinguished Instructor, 2023.

Krannert Outstanding/Distinguished Teacher, 2019, 2020.

Rackham Conference Travel Grant, 2016, 2017, 2018.

Summer Research Apprenticeship, 2014, 2015.

Department of Economics Predoctoral Fellowship, 2013-2014.

Turkish Government Scholarship, 2008-2013.

Dean's High Honors List, 2013.

Alper Orhon Award, 2013.

Presentations

2025: UC Riverside; 2024: Midwest Economic Theory Conference (Indianapolis), Ohio State University; 2023: University of Maryland; 2022: Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory (virtual); 2021: CUHK-HKU-HKUST Theory Seminar (virtual); 2020: Purdue University; 2019: North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society (Seattle), Maastricht University, Higher School of Economics, Bilkent University, Sabanci University, Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México (ITAM), University of British Columbia; 2018: CIREQ Montréal Symposium on Microeconomic Theory, GRASS XII (University of Chieti-Pescara), Foundations of Utility and Risk (University of York); 2016: EconCon (Princeton University).

Refereeing

American Economic Review: Insights, Econometrica, Economic Theory, Economics Letters, Games and Economic Behavior, International Economic Review, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Theory, Journal of Mathematical Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Management Science, Mathematical Social Sciences, Social Choice and Welfare, Theoretical Economics.