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## Education

PhD Economics, University of Texas at Austin, 2011  
Diplom (BSc) Economics, University of Hanover, 2005

## Employment

Deliveroo  
2025-present: Data Scientist  
Office of Communications (Ofcom)  
2022-present: Data Scientist / Econometrician  
City, University of London, Department of Economics  
2011-2020: (Senior) Lecturer

## Publications and project work

### Journal Articles

- [The Effect of an Unconventional Fare Decrease on the Demand for Bus Journeys](#) (with Kingsley Offiaeli), 2023, *Journal of Public Transportation*, 25.
- [Credit Supply, Homeownership and Mortgage Debt](#) (with Ahmet A. Taskin), 2023, *Journal of Housing Economics*, 61.
- [Which Decision Theory Describes Life Satisfaction Best? Evidence From Panel Data](#) (with Patricia Cubi-Molla and Sergiu Ungureanu), 2023, *Journal of Happiness Studies*, 24, pp. 893-916.
- [Why Do Immigrants Become Less Happy?](#) (with Patricia Cubi-Molla and Anke Plagnol), 2022, *Migration Studies*, 10(4), pp. 670-702.
- [Is the Price Elasticity of Transport Symmetric? Evidence From Public Transport Demand](#) (with Kingsley Offiaeli), 2022, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 203, pp. 318-335.
- [Social Norms as a Cost-Effective Measure of Managing Transport Demand: Evidence from an Experiment on the London Underground](#) (with Kingsley Offiaeli), 2021, *Transportation Research Part A: Policy and Practice*, 145, pp. 63-80.

[Structural Estimation of Labor Adjustment Costs with Temporally Disaggregated Data](#), 2019, *Economic Inquiry*, 57(4), pp. 1939-1962.

[Does Homeownership Prolong the Duration of Unemployment?](#) (with Ahmet A. Taskin), 2017, *Real Estate Economics*, 47(3), pp. 845-883.

[Ethnic Concentration and Language Fluency of Immigrants: Evidence from the Guest-Worker Placement in Germany](#) (with Alexander M. Danzer), 2016, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 131(A), pp. 151-165.

[Ethnic Externalities in Education and Second-Generation Immigrants](#), 2014, *Applied Economics*, 46(34), pp. 4205-4217.

[Do Ethnic Enclaves Impede Immigrants' Integration? Evidence From a Quasi-Experimental Social-Interaction Approach](#) (with Alexander M. Danzer), 2013, *Review of International Economics*, 21(2), pp. 311-325.

### **Non-Peer Reviewed Publications**

[News Consumption Habits and Media Plurality Outcomes.](#)

[Online Intermediaries and the Diversity of News Content.](#)

### **Reports**

Ethnische Enklaven schwächen die Sprachkompetenz, mehr Bildung stärkt sie (with Alexander M. Danzer), 2010, IAB-Kurzbericht 17/2010.

### **Working Papers**

[The Effect of Immigration on Wages in the Presence of Educational Mismatch](#) (with Huynh Nguyen).

[The Effect of Branching Deregulation on the Finance Wage Premium](#) (with Ahmet A. Taskin).

### **Contributions to Other Projects**

Price effects of consolidation in the mobile telephony market. A cross-country analysis of market entry and exit (unpublished).

[Cloud services market study](#) – Empirical analysis of committed spend discounts.

Effects of BBC produced local news on the demand for commercial local news (forthcoming).

Effectiveness of age estimation technology and the use of online adult services by teenagers (unpublished).

### **Media and Video Presentations**

[Media Plurality and Online News](#) – Presentation at the Research Day at Arcom (France) in 2023 (play in Chrome if it does not play).

[Online Intermediaries and the Diversity of News Consumption](#) – Presentation at the Research Day at Arcom (France) in 2024.

[Leviathan in Lockdown: A Pecha Kucha on Teaching Public Economics in Times of Covid](#) – presented at the Learning, Teaching, and Student Experience conference organised by the Chartered Association of Business Schools in 2021.

[Which Decision Theory Describes Life Satisfaction Best? Evidence From Annual Panel Data](#) – Interview on Faculti.net.

## Leadership and Management

Ofcom

*Data Champion:* Promoting the uptake of DataCamp at Ofcom.

*Project Scoping:* Assessing the importance and feasibility of evaluation projects to support evidence building for the Online Safety Act.

*Econometrics Mentoring:* Showcasing econometric work to internal stakeholders and leading on learning initiatives for machine learning and causal inference.

City, University of London, Department of Economics

*Senior Tutor Economics:* Supervision of system of personal tutoring; Monitoring of student progress and triaging of students at risk.

*Director of Undergraduate Studies:* Co-leading departmental strategy on delivery of undergraduate programmes; Designing structure, curriculum, and assessment strategy.

*Year 1 Lead Undergraduate Studies:* Operationalising teaching strategy for first year students; Organising student induction.

*Seminar organisation:* Inviting and hosting seminar guests.

Institute for Employment Research, Nuremberg

Workshop organisation: Transnationality of Migrants – Workshop “Frontiers of Migration Research”, Bamberg, June 2010.

University of Texas at Austin, Department of Economics

*Co-ordinator of Supplemental Instructor Programme:* Hiring and training of undergraduate tutors to teach and support students at risk.

## Honors, Fellowships and Awards

2022: Honorary Senior Research Fellow at City, University of London

2020: Fellow of the Higher Education Academy

2019: Academic Impact Award in Teaching (awarded by the Student Union at City, University of London)

## Conference Presentations, Invited Seminars and Discussions

2024: Research Day at Arcom (French Regulator for Communications)

2023: Research Day at Arcom (French Regulator for Communications)

2022: Urban Transport Conference, Frankfurt (hybrid)

2021: International Association of Applied Econometrics, virtual; Chartered Association of Business Schools – Learning, Teaching, Student Experience, virtual

2020: European Economic Association, virtual; Econometric Society World Congress, virtual

2019: International Association of Applied Econometrics, Nicosia; Workshop on Pensions, Housing, and Entrepreneurship, Collegio Carlo Alberto, Torino

2016: European Society of Population Economics, Berlin

2015: International Association of Applied Econometrics, Thessaloniki

2014: European Economic Association, Toulouse; European Society of Population Economics, Braga; University of Bielefeld

2013: Royal Economic Society, London

2011: Koc University, Istanbul; Bilkent University, Istanbul; TOBB-ETU University, Ankara; Center for European Economic Research (ZEW), Mannheim; Max-Planck-Institute for Collective Goods, Bonn

2010: European Society of Population Economics, Essen; Berliner Netzwerk Arbeitsmarktforschung, Berlin; Nürnberger Gespräche, Nuremberg

2009: Royal Holloway University of London, London

2008: Ruhr Graduate School Doctoral Conference in Economics, Essen; Macroeconomic Research Meeting, Bonn

## **Research Visits**

Institute for Employment Research, Nuremberg, July 2009 – June 2010

German Institute for Economic Research (DIW), Berlin, May 2008

## **Conference Organisation**

Transnationality of Migrants – Workshop “Frontiers of Migration Research”, Bamberg, June 2010

## **Teaching**

### **Undergraduate**

Labour Economics (City, Year 3, elective)

Applied Econometrics (City, Year 3, mandatory)

Public Economics (City, Year 2, elective)

### **Graduate**

Quantitative Methods (City, MSc)

Applied Econometrics (City, MSc)

## **PhD Supervision**

Completed: Kingsley Offiaeli, Huynh Nguyen

## **External Examiner Activity**

2017-2020: Royal Holloway University of London

## **Refereeing for Journals**

Scandinavian Journal of Economics; Papers in Regional Science; Applied Economics; International Migration Review; Journal of Human Resources; Urban Studies; Demography; Labour; Transportation Research Part A; Journal of Happiness Studies

## **Refereeing for Grant Proposals**

Agence Nationale de la Recherche

## **Citizenship**

German, British

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