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Education:

B. Sc., Mathematical Economics and Econometrics, London School of Economics and Political Science, London, England, 1979.

Ph.D., Economics, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, 1985.

Dissertation Title: "'Dutch Disease': The Adverse Effects of a Resource Boom in a Small Open Economy".

Professional Experience:

Fall 2013- Present, Principal Lecturer and Co-Director of the Undergraduate program, Department of Economics, University of Washington.

Fall 1991 – Spring 2013, Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, University of Washington.

Fall 1990 - Spring 1991, Visiting Lecturer, Department of Economics, University of Washington.

July 1985 - July 1991, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Utah (on leave, 1990-1991).

Spring 1983 - Spring 1985, Research Fellow, Project LINK, University of Pennsylvania.

Fall 1982, Instructor, Introductory Microeconomics, College of General Studies, University of Pennsylvania.

Spring 1982, Instructor, Introductory Macroeconomics, College of General Studies, University of Pennsylvania.

Fall 1981, Teaching Assistant, Introductory Microeconomics, University of Pennsylvania.

Fall 1980 - Spring 1981, Research Assistant, Industrial Policy Project, University of Pennsylvania.

Honors:

Henry T. Beuchel Memorial Award for Outstanding Teaching, Department of Economics, University of Washington, June 2014.

Henry T. Beuchel Memorial Award for Outstanding Service to the Undergraduate Program, Department of Economics, University of Washington, June 2005.

Henry T. Beuchel Memorial Award for Outstanding Teaching, Department of Economics, University of Washington, June 2002.

Fulbright Teaching Award, Samarkand State University, Uzbekistan, Spring Term, 1996.

The Iranian Ministry of Economic Affairs Fellowship to study abroad, 1975-1979.

Teaching Experiences:

Courses Taught

150	Preparatory Course in Mathematics and Statistics for Economics Students
200	Principles of Microeconomics
201	Principles of Macroeconomics
300	Intermediate Microeconomics
391	Economic Development
471	International Trade
482	Introduction to Econometrics
491	Topics in Economic Development
406	Economic Development of the Middle East
406	Economic Transition and Development in Central Asia
602	The TA Training Seminar

Teaching Developments

Econ 200	Development of a fully online course in principles of microeconomics for the Integrated Social Science degree program, UW, 2013-2014
Econ 200	Use of the audience response system for teaching principles of microeconomics (fall 2010-spring 2012 and winter 2014-present), adoption of Canvas LMS (fall 2011-present), use of Tegrity Lecture Capture (winter 2012), and adoption of "flipping the classroom" (fall 2012-spring 2013)
Econ 201	Use of the audience response system for teaching principles of macroeconomics (winter and spring 2012), adoption of Canvas LMS pilot (winter and spring 2012), and use of Tegrity Lecture Capture (winter 2012)
Econ 406	Economic Transition and Development in Central Asia (co-taught with Professor George Wright of Family Medicine, UW, spring 2004)
Econ 406	Economic Development of the Middle East (winter 2003)

Research and Scholarship:

Intramural Grants/Funding

Co-recipient of Dean's Transitional Funding for Course Revision –Principles of Microeconomics—Summer 2010.

Recipient of Foundations Course Grant to incorporate discovery-based-learning in Principles of Economics Course, College of Arts and Sciences, UW, Summer 2004 – 2006.

Middle East Center Curriculum Development Grant to design a course on the economic development issues of the Middle East and North Africa region, Spring 2001.

Participant in the National Science Foundation faculty grant for improving introductory economics by integrating the latest scholarship on women and minorities, June 10-15, 1994, Denison University, Ohio.

Publications

Journals

"Rule of Law: A Comparison between Ancient Persia and Ancient Greece", *Iranian Studies*, Volume 41, No. 5, December 2008, pp. 529-644

"The Dilemma of Reforming Economics Education in the Post-Socialist Economy of Uzbekistan: Has Anything Changed?" with Judith Thornton, *The Central Asian Survey*, 1998, Volume 17, No. 2, pp. 253-265.

"Tourism and Export Led Growth, The Case of Cyprus 1976 - 1988" with Michael Kamas. *The Journal of Developing Areas*, July 1992, Volume 26, No. 4, pp. 489-506.

"Economic Development with Unlimited Supplies of Foreign Exchange: The Case of Iran", *Civilizations*, February 1990, Volume XXXVIII, No. 2, pp. 105 - 122.

"Informationally Imperfect Labor Markets and the 'Dutch Disease' Problem", *Canadian Journal of Economics*, August 1988, Volume XXI, No. 3, pp. 617 - 624.

Unpublished Work

Historical –Institutional Issues in the Economic Development of Iran, February 2006.

An undergraduate text in International Trade (available on the course website for Econ 471), Spring 2003 (periodically revised and updated).

Research Interests

The role of geography in institutional and economic development
Evolution of institutions in the Middle East

Presentations at Conferences, Seminars, and Workshops

Author

“The Prospects for Foreign Investment in Iran”, Trade Development Alliance of Greater Seattle, May 2014

“Flipping the Classroom for Principles of Microeconomics”, Department of Statistics, UW, November 2013

“Flipping the Classroom for Principles of Microeconomics”, in a meeting of Faculty and Professional Learning Community on Flipping the Classroom, UW, October 2012

Presentation on Canvas, Tegrity Lecture Capture, and Flipping the Classroom for faculty in the Economics Department, UW, October 2012 (co-presentation with Michael Goldblatt)

“Effective Teaching of Undergraduate Courses”, in Advanced Training Program on Economic and Business Administration Research and Publishing, organized by the Center for Research in International Economics, Dept. of Economics, UW, August 2007 and 2008

“Rule of Law: A comparison Between Ancient Persia and Ancient Greece”, Washington State Social Studies Conference, Lake Chelan, March 2008.

“Ancient Persia and Lack of Rule of Law: Comparisons with the Rule of Law in Ancient Greece” in the Near and Middle East PhD Program Seminar on Middle East Studies, UW, February 2007

“Historical –Institutional Issues in the Economic Development of Iran”, in the Near and Middle East PhD Program Seminar on Middle East Studies, UW, February 2006

“Informationally Imperfect Labor Markets and the ‘Dutch Disease’ Problem”, Midwestern International Economics Conference, University of Kentucky, Lexington, Kentucky, May 1987

Discussant

The Persian Gender Network Roundtable (a forum for advancement of economic position of women in the Persian speaking countries) at the University of Chicago, October 2010.

The Persian Gender Network roundtable at Harvard University, January 2009.

Midwestern International Economics Conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, October 1987.

Panel Chair

Session “Foreign Reserves and Money” at the Conference, China and the World economy, held in Seattle on March 16, 2012

Panel on “Reform and Transition Strategies in the Confederation of Independent States” in the Conference Celebrating Sixty Years of Russian, East European, and Central Asian Studies (REECAS), Jackson School of International Studies (JSIS), University of Washington, April 2007

Session on “Decentralization and State Capacity in Transition Economies”, Comparing Russian and Chinese Institutions, University of Washington, April 2003

Session organized by the Middle East Economic Association in Allied Social Sciences Association meetings, January 6-8, 1995, Washington D.C.

Service:

Departmental Committees

2013 – present, Co-Director of the Undergraduate Program in Economics
2017 - present, Member of the Economics Department Executive Committee
1991 - Present, Undergraduate Committee member
2009-2010, Graduate Program Committee member
2006-2009, Economics PhD dissertation committee member

Inter-Department Committees

Chair, Middle East Studies Graduate Admissions Committee, JSIS, 2015-2016

Member, Middle East Studies Graduate Admissions Committee, JSIS, 1999-2000, 2001-2002, 2005-2006, 2010-2011, and 2012-2013.

Committee for Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Program in Near and Middle Eastern Studies, University of Washington, 1998-present

Middle East Center, Jackson School of International Studies (JSIS), 1991-present

The Middle East Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Admissions Committee, JSIS, 2010-2011

Russian, East European, and Central Asian Studies (REECAS)/Foreign Language and Area Studies (FLAS) Admissions Committee, 2007-2008

REECAS/MA Admissions Committee, 2007-2008

Foreign Language and Area Studies Scholarship (FLAS) Committee, University of Washington 1994-1995, 1996-1997, 1998-1999

University Committees

Member of the Faculty Senate, fall 2015 – spring 2017

Teaching and Learning Technology Oversight Committee, 2011 – 2017

Member of steering committee for the new online degree (Integrated Social Science degree), Dean's Office, fall 2013- 2015.

Faculty Council on Academic Standards (FCAS). Sept. 2013- June 2014

Subcommittee on Academic Programs (SCAP), Sept. 2013- June 2014

Faculty Council on Teaching and Learning (FCTL), 2010-2013

Pedagogy Working Group as part of Provost's 2Y2D (two years to two decades) initiative, 2011-2012

Co-facilitator, Faculty and Professional Learning Community-Flipping the Classroom, Spring 2013

Faculty and Professional Learning Community-Flipping the Classroom, Fall 2012

Faculty and Professional Learning Community-Supporting the English Language Learners (ELL students), Spring 2012

Faculty and Professional Learning Community-The Canvas LMS Pilot Project, Winter 2012

Faculty Council on Instructional Quality (FCIQ), 2005-2010

Chair, FCIQ Subcommittee on Summer Teaching and Pay at UW, 2007-2008

Chair, FCIQ Subcommittee on Assessment of Undergraduate Education at UW, 2006-2007

Professional Societies and Journal Referee

Treasurer

Research Center for International Economics (RCIE), 2002-present

Associate Treasurer

The Society for Iranian Studies, 1995-1996

Referee for

Canadian Journal of Economics

Review of International Economics

Economic Forum

Review of Radical Political Economy

Contemporary Economic Policy

Research in Middle East Economics