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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labor Economics • Migration Economics • Applied Microeconomics • Regional and Spatial Economics

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

PhD Student / Research Staff

2025–present

RFBerlin • Berlin, Germany

- Conduct empirical research on migration and labor markets within RFBerlin's applied microeconomics research program.

Student Research Assistant

2023–2025

RFBerlin • Berlin, Germany

- Constructed and harmonized historical county-level datasets for research on guest-worker migration and regional economic development in Germany.
- Developed reproducible workflows in Python, Stata, and QGIS for geospatial harmonization, historical boundary changes, data digitization, and empirical analysis.
- Provided research assistance for projects on migration, occupational and regional data harmonization, and right-wing protest and hate crime.

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics

2025–present

Berlin School of Economics and Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin • Berlin, Germany

- Supervisor: Prof. Alexandra Spitz-Oener.
- Research agenda: labor-market adjustment to migration and technological change, with an emphasis on regional heterogeneity and worker mobility.

MSc in Economics

2022–2025

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin • Berlin, Germany

- Master's thesis: *Perceived Threat and the Reallocation Decisions of Foreigners in Germany*.

BSc in Econometrics

2018–2022

Julius-Maximilians-Universität Würzburg • Würzburg, Germany

- Bachelor's thesis: *Sustainability Reporting in Germany: An Analysis of the CSRD*.

SELECTED RESEARCH PROJECTS

Perceived Threat and the Reallocation Decisions of Foreigners in Germany

2025

Master's thesis, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

- Studies how perceived xenophobic threat affects the internal migration of foreign residents using German county-level data.
- Combines a structural gravity framework estimated by PPML with a staggered difference-in-differences design based on right-wing terrorist attacks.

The Effect of Recruited Workers on Wealth Inequality in Germany

2024

Research project, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

- Digitized historical wealth-tax data, harmonized changing county boundaries, constructed inequality measures using Pareto interpolation, and estimated panel models of the regional effects of guest-worker recruitment.

Berlin's Public Transport Vision: Comparing Subway Extensions Using Quantitative Models

2024

Research project, Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin

- Built a travel-time matrix and used a quantitative spatial model to evaluate counterfactual U-Bahn extensions and their effects on commuting, employment, and floor-space prices.

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Working Student, Research and Sustainability

2022–2023

be Around GmbH • Berlin, Germany

- Conducted market research in the residential solar sector, developed a customer-pricing framework, and supported sustainability reporting and process design.

Intern, Management Support

2021–2022

Anevis Solutions GmbH • Würzburg, Germany

- Supported accounting, client reporting, project coordination, recruiting, and business development in a financial-reporting software company.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming and data: Stata, Python, R, MATLAB, SQL, QGIS, LaTeX

Empirical methods: Panel-data methods; difference-in-differences and event studies; PPML and gravity models; causal inference; spatial and network analysis

Data construction: Historical and geospatial data harmonization; record linkage; OCR-assisted digitization; reproducible research workflows

ACADEMIC SERVICE AND ENGAGEMENT

Humboldt-Universität zu Berlin: Former head of the Economics Student Council and student representative on the Faculty Council

Sea-Eye, Würzburg local group: Former treasurer

LANGUAGES

German (native) • Turkish (native) • English (C1)