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OBJECTIVE

- Passionate and experienced adjunct instructor and Ph.D. candidate practiced at teaching classes and
 research. Outgoing, energetic, and motivating personality to encourage students to participate in inclass activities. Innovative and hard worker who is committed to contribute to departmental objectives
 to create an optimal experience for both students and faculty.
- Competencies: Confident Presenter, Detail-oriented, Critical Thinker, Data Analyst

EDUCATION & RESEARCH

Doctoral Student/Researcher, Univ. of South Florida, Economics Dept, Tampa, USA, Aug. 2014 - Present

- Ph.D. in **Economics**, Supervisor Dr. Gabriel Picone.
- Doctoral research in the effects of increase in Supplemental Nutrition Assistant Program benefits by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 on the BMI of SNAP-eligible individuals using National Longitudinal Survey of Youth1979 dataset.
- Conducted a field experiment to examine objective packaging considerations when making food purchase
 decisions among WIC participants in central Illinois. Our specific aims were to: (a)examine whether
 mothers participating in the WIC program take into consideration nutritional information when making
 their decisions; and (b) evaluate whether changes in labeling and signage can lead WIC participants to
 make healthier food choices.
- Presented in several conferences and received numerous scholarships & awards.
- Courses in Advanced Econometrics, Health economics, labor Economics, and Behavioral Economics

Masters, University of Tehran, Economics Dept, Tehran, Iran, Sep. 2008 – Aug. 2011

- Master's in **Environmental Economics**, supervisor Dr. Gholamali Sharzei
- MS degree in research on the application of input-output table in environmental decision with a view on Kyoto protocol.
- Served as teaching assistant for several undergraduate courses.
- Courses in Advanced Econometrics, Environmental Economics

Bachelors, Shahid Beheshti University, Economics Dept, Tehran, Iran, Sep. 2004 – Feb. 2008

- Bachelor's in Industrial Economics
- Courses in Econometrics, Time Series, and Industrial Economics

WORK EXPERIENCE

Adjunct Instructor and Instructor, USF, Economics Dept, Tampa, USA, Aug. 2016 - Present

- Worked as an adjunct instructor and instructor for several years in the Economics department at USF.
- Created course materials from scratch including PowerPoint presentations, syllabi, and exams.
- Evaluated student performance and provided feedback throughout the term.
- Utilize variety of technologies and instructional methodologies to keep courses fresh and engaging.
- Work with individual students to improve understanding and course grades.
- Help students develop talent through range of exercises readings and discussions.

Teaching Assistant, USF, Economics Dept, Tampa, USA, Aug. 2014 – July 2016 (2 Years)

- Assisted with grading student assignments and answering questions that students had relating to coursework
- Collaborated with the professor to determine which test questions to include for successful assessment of student knowledge
- Maintained meeting notes for departmental meetings to discuss course curriculum, pending goals, and upcoming events

Trader and Stock Consultant at ANK Brokerage, Tehran, Iran, Feb. 2014 – June 2014 (5 Months)

- Conducted in-depth research into shares and bonds
- Consulted clients on the state of the market, stock picking within a sector
- Received customers' orders and sold and bought them at the best possible time
- Guided private clients with their investments portfolios
- Made recommendations for improvement, using computer models to test them and presenting findings for the company

Trader and Stock Consultant at TB Brokerage, Tehran, Iran, Dec. 2010 – April 2012 (1 Yr 5 Mos)

- Conducted in-depth research into shares and bonds
- Kept up-to-date with stock market conditions and economic trends
- Kept clients informed of the current position of their portfolio
- Providing face-to-face consultation to clients

Part time Statistical Analyst at JMR, Tehran, Iran, July 2006 – Aug. 2009 (3 Yr 2 Mos)

- Conducted a survey based on client's requirements to draft questionnaires for collecting costumer data
- Built data input, planned, analyzed, and inputted survey data into spreadsheets
- Analyzed costumer data, manipulated and built compilers to deliver complex data to clients and users
- Turn data into actionable analysis for results. Give constructive recommendation to clients to improve their sales and costumers' satisfaction.

CONFERENCES

- Attended in National Economics Teaching Conference, 2016
- Presented a paper in the Southern Economic Association conference, 2017
- Presented in the 10th Annual Graduate Student Research Symposium in USF, 2018
- Will present in the Southern Economic Association conference in Nov. 2018

AWARDS & SCHOLARSHIPS

- Dr. Vasigh's Scholarship, 2015
- Funded for the Industrial Economics in Shahid Beheshti University
- Marketing and capital principles certified
- Stock exchange certified
- Preparing for college teaching (PCT) course certified
- TA Training (Academy for Teaching and Learning Excellence) certified
- ITA (International Teaching Assistantship) certified
- ICDL certified

FOCUS AREAS & INTERESTS

- **Teaching**: Economics, Math, Econometrics
- <u>Research Interest:</u> Health Economics, Labor Economics, Public Health, Microeconomics, Welfare Economics
- **Data Science**: Data mining, data cleaning, data analysis

SKILLS

- Team player/ Confident/ Learning strategies/ Testing and evaluation/ Detail-oriented
- STATA, R. Matlab, SPSS, EViews, and LaTex
- Proficient in Microsoft Office (Word, PowerPoint, Excel, Access, and Outlook), CorelDraw X7, Adobe Photoshop CS5

LEADERSHIP & AFFILIATIONS

- Board member of Persian American Society of Tampa Bay (PASTB), June 2016 Present
- Member of Iranian Students Association (ISA) at USF, January 2016 Present
- Member at Economics Association of Shahid Beheshti University

REFERENCES

- Dr. Brad Kamp, Associate Professor & Chair, Department of Economics University of South Florida, Tampa, FL, USA. Phone: (813) 974-6549, E-mail: bkamp@usf.edu
- Dr. Gabriel Picone, Professor, Department of Economics University of South Florida, Tampa, FL, USA. Phone: (813) 974-6537, E-mail: gpicone@usf.edu
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