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Academic Appointments

2016- Lecturer (Assistant professor), Department of Economics,
University of Haifa
2014-2016 Visiting scholar, Department of Economics, Brown University

Fields of Interest

Economic Growth, Income Inequality, Long Run Economic Growth, Comparative Development, Culture and Economic Development, Human Capital, Economic History

Publications and Submitted Papers

2015 A Dynamic Hierarchical Education System with Capital Skill
Complementarity, *Macroeconomic Dynamics* (Forthcoming)
2015 A review of “Culture and Economic Growth”, by Enrico Spolaore,
Journal of Regional Studies (2015)

- 2011** Trade Agreements, Bargaining and Economic Growth, *Journal of Macroeconomics* (2011) (Joint with Yishay D. Maoz and Dan Peled).

Working Papers

- 2016** The Geographical Origins of the Tower of Babel: The Economic Causes and Consequences of Linguistic Structures (Joint with Oded Galor and Omer Ozak)
- 2015** Do Cognitive Skills Impact the Growth or the Level of GDP per capita? (Joint with Zvi Eckstein and Yael (Yuli) Tamir)

Work in Progress

- 2017** Wheels of Change (Joint with Kareen Van der Beek and Joel Mokyr)
- 2016** The Long-Run Cultural Effect of the *Reconquista*: Evidence from Portugal (Joint with Omer Ozak)
- 2016** Leviathan or The Matter, Form and Power of Politeness (Joint with Oded Galor and Omer Ozak)
- 2014** Public Investment in a Hierarchical Education System: Implications to Inequality
- 2013** Sectoral Heterogeneity, the Skill Premium and Productivity Dynamics (Joint with Yishay D. Maoz)

Academic Degrees

- 2009 - 2014** PhD in Economics, Tel Aviv University, Tel Aviv, Israel.
"Investment in Education and its Implications to Growth and Inequality". Advisor: Prof. Itzhak Zilcha.
- 2005 – 2009** M.A., Economics, University of Haifa, Haifa, Israel.
"Trade Agreements, Bargaining and Economic Growth".
Advisor: Prof. Dan Peled.
- 2001 - 2004** B.A., Philosophy, Economics and Political Science,

Presentations

Tel Aviv University (2016), Ben Gurion University (2016) Deep-Rooted Factors in Comparative Development, Brown University (2016), Clark University (2016), AEA Meeting (2016), Brown University (2015), Tel Aviv University PhD Workshop (2014), PET (2013), EEA-ESEM (2013), Warwick Summer School in Economic Growth (2013), DEGIT XIV (2009)

Prizes and Awards

- 2015** The Israel Science Foundation Post Doctoral Fellowship in Social Sciences (Grant No. 110/15)
- 2013** The Fishelson Prize for Research in Applied Economics. The title of the paper: "Sectoral Heterogeneity, the Skill Premium and Productivity Dynamics"
- 2013** Tel Aviv University Merit Award for Teaching Excellence.
- 2012** Tel Aviv University Merit Award for Teaching Assistance Excellence.
- 2012** The Gershon H. Gordon Faculty of Social Sciences, Honor for PhD studies achievements.

Referee Reports

The Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Macroeconomic Dynamics, China: An International Journal

Teaching Experience

- 2017** Intermediate Macroeconomics B (undergraduate course),
Macroeconomic Theory II (Graduate course), University of Haifa
- 2016** Intermediate Macroeconomics, Brown University
- 2012-2014** Macroeconomics A, Tel Aviv University
- 2011** Introduction to Economics, the Department of Labor Studies,
Tel Aviv University
- 2011-2014** Financial Crises and Monetary Policy, Tel Aviv University
- 2010-2014** Economic Growth, The Max Stern College of Yezreel Valley

Semi-Academic Research

- 2013-2015** Researcher of the Aix Group: a group of Palestinian and Israeli economists who investigate ways for economic cooperation between the two entities. The Group wrote the following research: “Economics and Politics in the Israeli Palestinian Conflict”
- 2011-2013** Researcher of the Aix Group. During this period The Group wrote the following research: “The Arab Peace Initiative and Israeli-Palestinian Peace: The Political Economy of a New Era”
- 2007** Economic Adviser at The Peres Center for Peace. As an adviser I was a part of a group of economists conducting research of potential economic benefits for Palestinian and Israeli private sectors if peace is achieved between both sides. The research is available at:
<http://www.peres-center.org/Media/Final%20Paper.pdf>

Languages

- Hebrew – Mother tongue
- English – Excellent reading, writing and speaking
- Spanish – Excellent speaking, very good reading and writing
- Arabic – Very good reading, writing and talking
- Portuguese - Basic speaking, reading and writing