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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, Stanford University, 2007-2013
M.A. in Economics, Hebrew University (Israel), 2004-2006 (*Summa cum Laude*).
B.A. in Philosophy, Politics and Economics, Hebrew University, 2000-2004 (*Magna cum Laude*).

ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, Ben-Gurion University, Israel	2021-present
Lecturer (Tenure track), Department of Economics, Ben-Gurion University, Israel	2013-2021
Institute of Labor Studies (IZA) Research Fellow	2019-present

RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS

Fields: Applied Microeconomics, Economics of Education, Economics of the Family, Health Economics.

Teaching: Economics of Gender (undergraduate); Introductory Statistics for Economists (undergraduate)

PUBLISHED AND FORTHCOMING PAPERS

“The Value of Postponing Pregnancy: California's Paid Family Leave and the Timing of Pregnancies.” October 2014. *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy (Contributions)*, Vol. 4 (2014).

“Does Banning Carbonated Beverages in Schools Decrease Student Consumption?” 2016. *Journal of Public Economics*, 140: 30-50.

“Improving Academic Performance through Conditional Benefits: Open/Closed Campus Policies in High School and Student Outcomes.” 2016. *Economics of Education Review*, 54: 95-112.

“Child Health in Elementary School following California’s Paid Family Leave Program,” with Neryvia Bell Pillay. 2017. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, 36: 790-827.
- Top downloaded article at the Journal of Policy Analysis and Management for 2017-2018.

“Can Public Transportation Reduce Accidents? Evidence from the Introduction of Late-Night Buses in Israeli Cities.” 2019. *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, 74: 99-117.

“The Trade-Off between Work and Education: Evidence from Public Transportation Penetration to Arab Towns in Israel,” with Aamer Abu-Qarn. 2022. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, 41(1): 193-225.

“Can Greater Access to Secondary Health Care Decrease Inequality? Evidence from Bus Line Introduction to Arab Towns in Israel,” with Aamer Abu-Qarn. 2022. *Economic Modelling*, 106.

“Conflict, Rockets and Birth Outcomes: Evidence from Israel’s Operation Protective Edge,” with Neta Ben Shalom-Tirosh and Eyal Sheiner. Forthcoming. *Journal of Demographic Economics*.

WORKING PAPERS / WORK IN PROGRESS

Men Too: The Effects of the U.S. Welfare Reform on Males – submitted.

Welfare reform and mortality – with David Slusky.

Admission allocation across hospital departments and ED congestion – with Omer Dagan, Ity Shurtz, and Dan Zeltzer

The effect of the US welfare reform on couple interaction and labor market outcomes – with Osnat Lifshitz.

Safety Nets, Intrahousehold Bargaining and Economic Empowerment: Israel’s Mandatory Pension Reform and Divorce Rates – with Edith Sand.

The Effects of a Retirement Age Reform on Couples’ Labor Supply Decisions – with Edith Sand.

Intrinsically Motivated Tasks and External Reward Schemes: Evidence from a Field Experiment – with Dror Brenner, Oren Rigbi and Yona Rubinstein

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Israeli National Insurance Institute, “Marriage and Couple Dynamics following Pension Reforms,” 91,000 NIS, 2019-2021 – joint with Edith Sand.

Israeli National Insurance Institute, “Public Transportation Penetration into Arab Communities in Israel,” 138,000 NIS, 2018-2020 – joint with Aamer Abu-Qarn.

The Maurice Falk Institute for Research in Israel, “Marriage and Couple Dynamics following Pension Reforms”, 25,000 NIS, 2018-2020

The Maurice Falk Institute for Research in Israel, “Public Transportation Penetration into Arab Communities in Israel,” 45,000 NIS, 2018-2020 – joint with Aamer Abu-Qarn

Marie Curie International Reintegration Grant, European Commission, “School Food Environments”, €100,000, 2014-2018.

George P. Schultz Dissertation Support Fund Fellowship, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research, 2009

Department of Economics Graduate Student Fellowship, Stanford University, 2007-2008

Wolf Foundation Scholarship, Israel, 2005-2006

Rector’s Prize, Hebrew University (Israel), 2005-2006

Faculty of Social Sciences Full Tuition Scholarship and Fellowship, Hebrew University, 2004-2006

Economics Department Honors Scholarship, Hebrew University, 2002-2006

PRESENTATIONS

2022: University of Kansas, Department of Economics; Reichman University – Herzeliya, Israel; Society of Labor Economists – Minneapolis, MN; Institute for Research on Poverty Summer Research Workshop – University of Wisconsin-Madison

2021: 10th European Meeting of the Urban Economics Association (virtual), Society of Economics of the Household Meeting (virtual), European Association of Labour Economists

(virtual), European Society for Population Economics Conference (virtual), 10th Annual Conference of the American Society for Health Economists (virtual), Bank of Israel Seminar (discussant)

2020: Society of Labor Economists (virtual)

2019: IZA/World Bank/NJD Conference on Jobs and Development – Washington, D.C.; Urban Economics and Public Services in Developing Countries - Jinan University, Guangzhou, China; Workshop on Gender Gaps in the Labor Market – Tel Aviv University, Israel.

2018: Seminar on Aging, Retirement and Pensions – Ashkelon, Israel; Workshop on Perceptions and Public Policy – Bar-Ilan University, Israel

2017: Southern Economic Association – Tampa, FL; Hebrew University Department of Environmental Economics and Management – Rehovot, Israel.

2016: Israeli Economic Association Meeting – Tel Aviv, Israel; American Society of Health Economists – Philadelphia, PA.

2014: AEFPP - San Antonio, TX; American Society of Health Economists – Los Angeles, CA; Western Economic Association Conference – Denver, CO

2013: Hebrew University of Jerusalem Economics; Hebrew University of Jerusalem Public Policy; Tel Aviv University Economics; Tel Aviv University Public Policy; Ben-Gurion University of the Negev Economics; Haifa University Economics; Bank of Israel.

2012: Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco: “All-California Labor Economics Conference,” graduate student poster session; Stanford University: “Food Summit III”, poster session.

2011: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Services: “Using Scanner Data to Answer Food Policy Questions.”

AD HOC REVIEWER

American Journal of Agricultural Economics, Applied Economics, Demography, Eastern Economic Journal, Economic Policy, Economics of Education Review (2), Education Economics, Educational Studies, Health Economics, Israel Economic Review, Journal of Behavior and Experimental Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Labor Research, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management (5), Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economics (2), Labour Economics, Pediatrics, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Social Choice and Welfare