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EDUCATION

The Graduate Center at the City University of New York <i>Ph.D. Economics, M.Phil. Economics, GPA: 3.96/4.00</i>	New York, NY <i>2013 - 2018 (expected)</i>
Boston College <i>M.A. Economics, GPA: 3.60/4.00</i>	Chestnut Hill, MA <i>2011 - 2013</i>
Bogazici University <i>B.A. Economics, GPA: 3.40/4.00</i>	Istanbul, Turkey <i>2006 - 2011</i>
Université Paris 1 – Panthéon Sorbonne <i>Erasmus Exchange Student</i>	Paris, France <i>2010</i>
Bornova Anadolu Lisesi <i>High School Diploma</i>	Izmir, Turkey <i>2003-2006</i>

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Empirical Industrial Organization, Health Economics, Labor Economics

RESEARCH

Job Market Paper

Vertical Integration in the U.S. Health Care Market: An Empirical Analysis of Hospital-Insurer Consolidation

Work in Progress

Welfare Effects of Using Hospital Rate Setting as an Alternative to Bargaining, with *Nicholas Diebel*

Location Choice of Immigrants: A Structural Analysis, with *David A. Jaeger*

Welfare Impacts of Full-line Forcing Contracts in the U.S. Health Care Market

SKILLS

Software: Stata, MATLAB, EViews, LaTeX, Maple, MS Office

Languages: English, French, Turkish

GRANTS AND AWARDS

CUNY Graduate Center Doctoral Student Research Grant (two rounds)	2015-2018
Sallie Mae Bank Award	2017
CUNY Graduate Center Fellowship	2013-2018
Boston College Graduate Fellowship	2011-2013
Turkish Prime Ministry Award	2006-2011
Ranked 59 th out of 1.5 million students in the nationwide Turkish university entrance exam	2006

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

International Health Economics Association (iHEA) World Congress – <i>Boston, MA</i>	July 2017
Western Economic Association International (WEAI) Annual Conference – <i>San Diego, CA</i>	June 2017
Hunter College Economics Seminar – <i>New York, NY</i>	Sept 2017
CUNY Graduate Center Seminar in Applied Economics – <i>New York, NY</i>	May/Dec 2017
CUNY Graduate Center Brownbag Seminar – <i>New York, NY</i>	2015, 2016, 2017

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Economic Association (AEA), International Health Economics Association (iHEA),
American Society of Health Economists (ASHEcon)

JOB MARKET PAPER

***“Vertical Integration in the U.S. Health Care Market:
An Empirical Analysis of Hospital-Insurer Consolidation”***

This paper examines the effects of vertical integration between hospitals and insurers on market outcomes and welfare. To assess the impact on market outcomes, I estimate reduced-form regressions that demonstrate vertically-integrated entities engage in market foreclosure (both upstream and downstream), and offer lower-premium higher-quality health plans. To determine the overall impact on welfare, I estimate a structural model, use the estimates in a policy experiment that prohibits vertical integration, and calculate the change in consumer and producer surplus. The structural model captures consumer behavior by estimating discrete choice models of hospital and insurer demand, while it captures the hospital-insurer contracting process by estimating a bargaining model that reveals consolidation increases vertically-integrated hospitals’ bargaining power. My findings illustrate that vertical integration acts as an entry barrier to the downstream market due to the cost advantages vertically-integrated entities achieve through upstream foreclosure. Additionally, I find that with the removal of vertical integration from the market, social surplus would increase by \$20 billion per year. Banning exclusionary restrictions gets rid of market foreclosure, gives access to vertically-integrated entities, and enables insurers to contract with less expensive hospitals. As a result, insurers offer wider hospital networks and lower premiums that benefit consumers. Producer surplus also increases as many hospitals and insurers enjoy higher profits driven by higher market shares and reduced costs.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

GRADUATE LEVEL: Instructor/Adjunct Faculty

Brooklyn College, CUNY

Urban Economics

Environmental Economics

Brooklyn, NY

Spring 2017

Fall 2015, Fall 2016

Yeshiva University

Microeconomic Theory I

New York, NY

Fall 2015

UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL: Instructor/Adjunct Faculty

Brooklyn College, CUNY

Introduction to Statistics

Fundamental Methods in Mathematical Economics

Elementary Microeconomics

Brooklyn, NY

Spring 2016

Spring 2015

Fall 2014

Baruch College, CUNY

Introduction to Econometrics

New York, NY

Fall 2014, Fall/Spring 2015

Queens College, CUNY

Statistics as Applied to Economics and Business

Flushing, NY

Summer 2014

GRADUATE-UNDERGRADUATE LEVEL: Teaching Assistant/Quantitative Research Fellow

CUNY School of Professional Studies

Statistics and Probability, Econometrics, Computational Mathematics

New York, NY

Fall 2017, Spring 2018

The Graduate Center, CUNY

Applied Microeconometrics (Ph.D. level)

New York, NY

Spring 2014

Boston College

Game Theory (Honors)

Intermediate Microeconomic Theory

Chestnut Hill, MA

Fall 2012

Fall 2011

Bogazici University

Mathematics for Economists

Public Finance, International Economics, Introduction to Statistics

Introduction to Microeconomic Theory

Istanbul, Turkey

Spring 2011

Fall 2010

Fall 2009, Fall 2010

REFERENCES

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