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### Academic Appointment

July 2017- Assistant Professor of Economics, Columbia University

### Education

2017 Ph.D. in Economics, The University of Texas at Austin  
Dissertation: *Essays on Imperfect Information and Imperfect Competition*  
Supervisor: Olivier Coibion  
2013 M.S., Economics, The University of Texas at Austin  
2011 B.S., Mathematics, Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran

### Publications

- "Inflation Targeting Does Not Anchor Inflation Expectations: Evidence from Firms in New Zealand" (joint with Saten Kumar, Olivier Coibion and Yuriy Gorodnichenko), 2015(Fall), *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity*, 151-225.

### Working Papers

- "Strategic Inattention, Inflation Dynamics and the Non-Neutrality of Money"
- "Dynamic Rational Inattention and the Phillips Curve" (joint with Choongryul Yang)
- "Endogenous Firm Competition and Cyclicalities of Markups"
- "Sticky Prices, Rational Inattention and Monetary Non-Neutrality"

### Work in Progress

- "Rationally Confused: On the Aggregate Implications of Information Provision Policies" (joint with Miguel Acosta)
- "Information Effects in Monetary Transmission to Business Investment" (joint with Alex Schramm and Peter Zorn)
- "The Changing Nature of Firms' Cost Structure" (joint with Andres Drenik and Ryan Kim)
- "Biased Inflation Expectations" (joint with Michael Johannes and Laura Veldkamp)
- "Inflation Expectations Under Volatile Inflation: Evidence from Iran" (joint with Saeed Bayat, Omid Ghaderi, and Seyed Ali Madanizadeh)
- "Associative Recall and Over-Persistent Expectations" (with Yueran Ma and Spencer Kwon)
- "The Effects of Biased Sources in Belief Formation" (with Emily Weisburst and Carolina Arteaga)

### Presentations (\* denotes scheduled)

2019-2020: Chicago Fed, Cornell University, CUNY, Cleveland Fed, University of Wisconsin, AEA Annual Meetings (San Diego)\*, HKUST/Jinan Workshop on Macro\*, Workshop on Subjective Beliefs in Macro and Household Finance (U of Copenhagen)\*  
2018-2019: University of Michigan, Duke University, Drexel University, UT Austin, SED Annual Meetings, Barcelona GSE Summer Forum  
2017-2018: Cowles Conference on Macroeconomics, Cleveland Fed Inflation Drivers and Dynamics Conference, NYU, SUNY Binghamton, AEA Annual Meetings (Philadelphia) (x2), Penn State University, University of Maryland  
2016-2017: NBER Summer Institute (Behavioral/Macro), Columbia University, Cornell University, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Rutgers University, UC Berkeley, UC Davis, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania  
2015-2016: 3<sup>rd</sup> Conference on Rational Inattention and Related Topics, AEA Annual Meetings (San Francisco), HAND Economic Forum, UT Austin

2014-2015:	CES/ifo Conference on Macroeconomics and Survey Data, CERGE-EI, Brookings Papers for Economics Activity Fall Conference, Sharif University, HAND Economic Forum, UT Austin
2013-2014:	Kansas City Fed, Dallas Fed, Sharif University, UT Austin
2012-2013:	Fall Midwest Macro Meeting, UT Austin

### **Referee**

*AEJ: Macro, American Economic Review, Energy Journal, International Journal of Central Banking, Journal of Finance, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Macroeconomic Dynamics, New Zealand Economic Papers, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Economics and Statistics*

### **Graduate Advising/Placement (\* = Main advisor)**

Sandesh Dhungana	(2018 PhD, IMF)
Oskar Zorrilla	(2019 PhD, US Naval Academy)
Chris Cotton	(2019 PhD, Boston Fed)
Agnieszka Dorn	(2019 PhD)
Anastasia Burya*	(2022 PhD, Expected)
Martsella Davitaya*	(2022 PhD, Expected)
Shruti Mishra*	(2022 PhD, Expected)

### **Undergraduate and Masters Advising**

2019-2020:	Saif Ebrahim Alhammadi (MA), John Kadlick (BA)
2017-2018:	Daniel Reuter (BA)

### **Teaching**

Columbia U:	Advanced Macroeconomic Analysis II (2 <sup>nd</sup> year PhD), Macroeconomic Analysis I & II (1 <sup>st</sup> year PhD), Seminar in Macroeconomics and Formation of Expectations (Undergraduate).
UT Austin:	Introduction to Economics (Undergraduate).

### **Fellowships and Awards**

2019-2020	Lenfest Junior Development Grant, Columbia University
2016-2017	Dissertation Writing Fellowship, UT Austin
2016-2017	McIlhany Endowed Presidential Fellowship, UT Austin
2014, 2015	Hale Fellowship, UT Austin
2014-2015	David Bruton, Jr Graduate School Fellowship, UT Austin
2013, 2016	Professional Development Award, UT Austin
2013-2014	<i>Best Second Year Paper Award</i> , Department of Economics, UT Austin

### **Other Experience**

Fall 2014	Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Dissertation Intern
Summer 2014	Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, Research Intern