Ariana Matsa

2009-2012

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Ph.D. student, University of Birmingham Email: AXM1118@student.bham.ac.uk

PERSONAL SUMMARY

An economics Ph.D. student with expertise in microeconomics and economics of crime. Her research examines the degree to which changes in crime rates in the US, England and Wales, can be explained by business cycles, using a panel data analysis. Teacher in various Finance and Economic modules. Also, she is part of the leading economic team in an externally funded project that includes the Police Knowledge Fund investigating cybercrimes. She is the Research Assistant in the newly formed Centre for Crime, Justice and Policing at the University of Birmingham, while being the Research Consultant at the Warwickshire Police and West Mercia Police, in an effort to help them understand cybercrimes.

Easy going by nature and strong team player; always willing to take initiatives. Presently seeking to expand her knowledge and skills, by achieving a job in Consulting.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Cyprus State Scholarship, Republic of Cyprus

Student Excellence Awards, Bank of Cyprus

Paphia Awards, Paphos Municipality

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<u>Warwickshire Police and West Mercia Police</u> (West Mercia, UK) -Economic Research Consultant, Police Support Volunteer (PSV) Program	11/2016-present
Aston University (Birmingham, UK) -Teaching Assistant, Aston Business School Principles of Microeconomics (UG)	09/2016-present
University of Birmingham (Birmingham, UK) -Research Assistant, Police Knowledge Fund (PKF) – Better Policing Collaborative -Research Assistant, Centre for Crime, Justice and Policing -Teaching Assistant, Birmingham Business School Corporate Finance (MSc), Quantitative Management Techniques (MBA), Principles of Economics A (UG) and Principles of Economics B (UG)	01/2016-present 05/2016-present 09/2015-present
University of Cyprus (Nicosia, Cyprus) -Research Fellow, Marie Curie Grant	01/2014-12/2015
KES College (Nicosia, Cyprus) -College Teacher International Finance and Introduction to Economics (Diploma)	01/2014-06/2014
SUMMER INTERNSHIPS	
KPMG Cyprus (Nicosia) – Summer Intern Audit Department KPMG Cyprus (Paphos) – Summer Intern Tax Department	Summer 2011 Summer 2010
ACADEMIC QUALIFICATIONS	
University of Birmingham, Ph.D. Economics <i>in progress</i> Thesis Title: "The Effects of Business Cycles on Crime Rates"	2014-present
Cardiff University, MSc in International Economics, Banking and Finance awarded with Distinction Dissertation Title: "Determinants of Political Corruption: A Cross-Section Analysis"	2012-2013
University of Bristol, BSc in Accounting and Finance awarded with Second Class Honours	2009-2012
Ayios Neofutos Lyceum, Apolytirio: 19 11/12 out of 20 (Excellent)	2006-2009
A' Levels: Maths (A), Modern Greek (A), Accounting (B)	2008
O' Levels: English (B)	2007
AWARDS Doctoral Research Studentship, Birmingham Business School, University of Birmingham Graduated from Cardiff University in the Top 1% of her class	2014-present 2012-2013

KEY SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

- Excellent economic knowledge, particularly with economics of crime (including cybercrime), microeconomics econometrics and corporate finance.
- Excellent data analysis skills.
- Comprehensive knowledge of statistical and scripting languages (Stata, R, SPSS, SAS, EViews, Latex).
- Good coding knowledge (HTML, CSS)
- Other computer skills (e.g. Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Access)
- Familiar with large datasets and confidential data processing (ONS UK Data Service, IPUMS, EU-LFS).
- Strong communication skills.
- Strong organizational and interpersonal skills.
- Ability to engender confidence and form long lasting relationships with colleagues, affiliates and students.
- A proactive approach and the ability to work both autonomously and as part of a team.
- Methodical when coming across problems.
- Time management skills, able to plan and allocate time for specific tasks.

INTERESTS

Travelling

Very keen on travelling and has already travelled around Europe. Organising trips with friends, including sourcing and comparing the best value flights and accommodations. Developed an international mind-set and became familiar with different cultures.

Exercising

Keeping a healthy diet, as well as being physically active is very important to her, either by biking, jogging or by going to the gym on a regular basis.

Charitable work

Member of the charity club: 'Friends of Karaiskakeio Foundation'. The club helps raise money for the Karaiskakeio Foundation, which is a bone marrow donor registry.