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## Research interests

Public economics, optimal capital taxes and subsidies, inequality and redistribution

## Education

2019 – Ph.D. candidate in Economics, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich  
2017 – 2019 M.S. in Economics, Ludwig Maximilian University of Munich  
2011 – 2017 B.S. in Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Bogazici University  
2015 Exchange semester in Electrical Engineering, University of Pavia

## Work experience

2018 – Research assistant at the Center for Economic Studies at the University of Munich  
2016 – 2017 Intern after-sales engineer at Mercedes-Benz Turk A.S.  
2016 – 2017 Undergraduate teaching assistant at the Department of Economics at Bogazici University  
2015 – 2016 Undergraduate teaching assistant at the Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering at Bogazici University

## Research

*Work in progress:*

- "Joint taxation of income and wealth," with Dominik Sachs.
- "How should we tax capital? Interaction between capital taxes and saving motives."

## Publications

"Who should bear the burden of Covid-19 related fiscal pressure? An optimal income taxation perspective," with Lea Fricke, Clemens Fuest and Dominik Sachs. Forthcoming in the *European Economic Review*.

## Seminars and conferences

2022 St. Gallen Public Economics Doctoral Workshop (St. Gallen, Switzerland)  
ZEW Public Finance Conference (Mannheim, Germany)  
International Conference on Public Economic Theory (Marseille, France)

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| 2021 | Annual Congress of the IIPF (virtual)<br>EEA Annual Congress (virtual)<br>Mannheim Taxation Conference (virtual)         |
| 2020 | Winter School on Inequality and Social Welfare Theory (Canazei, Italy)<br>CES Public Economics Seminar (Munich, Germany) |
| 2019 | Norwegian–German Seminar on Public Economics (Munich, Germany)   |

## Teaching

Instructor for the *Tutorial for Public Economics* (Grad level) at LMU Munich.

Teaching assistant for *International Taxation* (Grad level), *Optimal Taxation of Top Incomes* (Undergrad level), *The Economics of Tax Evasion* (Undergrad level), *COVID 19 – Economic Impact and Policy Responses* (Undergrad level), *Gender Inequality – Empirical Facts and the Role of Policies* (Undergrad level), *Optimal Taxation of Top Incomes* (Grad level), *Taxation and Inequality* (Grad level), *Arbeitsmarkt in Theorie und Praxis* (Undergrad level), and *The Political Economy of Redistribution* (Grad level) at LMU Munich.

Co-supervisor of 9 bachelor's and 3 master's theses at LMU Munich

Tutor for *Macroeconomics I* (Undergrad level) at Bogazici University.

## Other academic activities

2022 – Academic coordinator of the Center for Economic Studies at the University of Munich

2015 – 2016 Member of the Student Council of Bogazici University

## Grants and achievements

2017 DAAD (German Academic Exchange Service) scholarship for a master's program in Germany

2015 ERASMUS exchange grant

2011 Bogazici University Excellence Scholarship

2011 Scholarship of the Turkish Prime Minister's Office for outstanding achievements

2011 12th rank in Turkey on the university entrance exam among 1.8 million students

## Languages

Turkish (native), English (fluent), German (intermediate), Italian (intermediate)

## References

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