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Researcher/Teacher - Business Administration, Finance and Economics
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Education

Doctorate in Business Administration (Finance). GPA: 3.8/4 Distinction 2018-2023

Istanbul Okan University. Istanbul, Turkey.

Thesis: Three essays on foreign exchange's futures, volatility, and interaction with stock market.

MBA (Finance). GPA: 3.7/4 Distinction 2014-2017

Iqra University. Karachi, Pakistan.

Thesis: Factors affecting FDI inflows in developing and transition economies.

Bachelors (Commerce). Distinction 2011-2013

University of Karachi. Karachi, Pakistan.

Career Experience

Executive Officer - KPMG, Karachi, Pakistan 2016-2017

Prepared financial statements for the retirement funds of IBM, Pakistan.

Successfully cleared backlog accounts and carried investment correspondence with financial institutions.

Facilitated audit activities with external and internal auditors.

Carried employee profiling for Provident, Gratuity, and Pension funds.

Trained internees regarding financial and departmental policies.

Investment Adviser - AMIM, Karachi, Pakistan 2015-2015

Provided investment advisory services to clients based on their risk portfolios.

Carried account maintenance for individual clients.

Prepared documentation for risk profiling.

Managed communication between associates and fund managers.

Administrative work regarding fund management.

Additional Experience

Private Tutor - Istanbul, Turkey 2021-2022

Taught English as a second language to adults.

Designed curriculum for A1, A2, B1, and B2 levels.

Taught additional subjects like Mathematics, Economics and Finance on one-to-one lessons.

Publications (Work in progress)

Books

Two sides of the exchange rate equation: A mathematical realm 2025

Journal Articles (Revise and Resubmit)

With Prof. Murat Donduran. *How much connection exists in currency futures? An empirical dive into higher moments*. Studies in Economics and Finance. 2023

With Prof. Murat Donduran. *A two-stage analysis of interaction between stock and exchange rate markets: Evidence from Turkey*. Annals of Data Science. 2023

Journal Articles (Under-review)

Analyzing credit and equity linkage within a dynamic causality paradigm. Computational Economics. 2023

Journal Articles (Under-preparation)

With Prof. Murat Donduran. *Turkish Lira's Volatility: A novel perspective*. Journal: TBD. 2023

With Prof. Murat Donduran. *Decomposing exchange rates and firm profitability*. Journal: TBD. 2023

Spot and Futures asset prices: A convergent cross-mapping approach. Journal: TBD. 2023

Projects

With Prof. Murat Donduran. Constructing Market Cyclicality Index (MCI). 2024

Supply chain optimization for Thar Laminations. 2017

Investment portfolio management for banks in Pakistan. 2016

Market research and business plan for listed technological companies. 2015

Financial Valuation analysis of KSE 100 companies. 2014

Certifications

CELTA. Pass 2021

University of Cambridge

TOEFL. 101/120 2017

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Skills

Demonstrated expertise in operating, maintaining, and calibrating research plans.

Special talent in modifying and streamlining process conditions to meet quality standards.

Ability to break down ambiguous problems into concrete, manageable components and think through optimal solutions.

Skilled in translating complex scientific concepts into easily understood terms with excellent communication skills.

Strong problem-solving skills and the ability to confront conflict and difficult issues in a professional manner.

Ability to meet deadlines, prioritize, multi-task, and maintain flexibility in a changing environment.

Proficient in MS-office, R, Python, Stata, MATLAB, Julia, Markdown, LaTeX.

Conferences and Workshops

Inflation; Drivers and Dynamics Conference, ClevelandFed and ECB, Frankfurt	2023
17th Economics & Finance Conference, IISES, Istanbul	2022
Northern Finance Association, University of Waterloo, Toronto	2021
14th Economics & Finance Virtual Conference, IISES, Lisbon	2020

Languages

English, Urdu, and Turkish

Scholarships

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References

Available upon request. All listed publications could also be provided.