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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

The Hebrew University of Jerusalem	2021 -
Assistant Professor	

EDUCATION

New York University	2021
PhD in Economics	
The Hebrew University of Jerusalem	2014
MA in Economics	
Bar Ilan University	2005
BS in Mathematics	

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Presentations (+ means scheduled)

2026: Columbia⁺, Brown⁺

2025: Yale, Princeton, NYU, HUJI, Immigration in OECD Countries Conference⁺

2024: SEHO (Singapore), TAU, Reichman University, Bank of Israel, National Insurance Institute

2023: EIEF Rome, Israel Economic Association conference, HUJI

2022: UCL, SOLE, Copenhagen Business School, CESifo Venice Summer Institute

2021: TAU (econ), Oslo, IIES, ZEW (social mobility workshop), EHS, RES, EBRD & King's College London (migration workshop), Migration and Organizations Conference, IZA Migration Meeting, SOLE, IZA Labor Market Institutions Workshop, EALE, SIEP, EHA, Helsinki GSE, Immigration in OECD Countries Conference

2020: NBER SI (DAE poster session), BIU (business), TAU (public policy), EGSC, NEUDC, Hebrew U (agriculture), EPFL, PhDEVs, Hebrew U (public policy), Hebrew U (econ), FSU, BGU, Haifa, TAU (business), EHA Israel, Econometric Society European Winter Meeting, Collegio Carlo Alberto (PhD workshop), IDC, BIU (econ), Hebrew U (business)

2019: SOLE

2018: AASLE (Seoul), EMCON (Northwestern), Warwick (PhD workshop)

2017: EHA (poster session), YES (Yale)

Referee

American Economic Review × 3, *Review of Economic Studies* × 2, *AEJ: Economic Policy*, *AEJ: Applied Economics*, *Economic Journal*, *Israeli Science Foundation*, *Economic Quarterly*, *Journal of Economic Geography*, *The Review of Economics and Statistics* × 2, *Journal of Labor Economics* × 2

Public Service Positions

2025-: Member of the Advisory Committee on Business Survey for the CBS

2025-: Member of the Advisory Committee on Household Expenditures Survey for the CBS

2022: Israeli Economic History Association annual meeting, program committee

2022-: The Economic Quarterly, editorial board

GRANTS

Maurice Falk Institute For Economic Research, Research Seed Grant “A Tale of Two Sectors” (with Michael Amior and Momi Dahan). NIS 40,000.	2024-2028
Israeli Science Foundation, Individual Research Grant “The Impact of Housing Assistance on Labor-Market Outcomes: Evidence from a Lottery Program in Israel”. NIS 645,200, grant no. 1472/22	2022-2026
Maurice Falk Institute For Economic Research, Research Seed Grant “Does Capping Inequality Affect Workers and Firms? Evidence from a Natural Experiment Constraining CEO Pay” (with Juliana Londono-Velez and Yotam Shem-Tov). NIS 45,000.	2022-2026
Levi Eshkol Institute, Research Seed Grant “Economic Assimilation, Cultural Assimilation, and International Migration: Evidence from Israeli Administrative Data” (with Jaime Arellano-Bover). NIS 10,000.	2022-2023
Exploratory Travel and Data Grant, Economic History Association “Labor Supply and Directed Technical Change: Evidence from the Abrogation of the Bracero Program in 1964”. USD 2,300.	2018

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

The Gaathon Award for outstanding research on the Israeli economy	2022
Etta Chiuri Prize, Italian Society of Public Economics (SIEP)	2021
NYU Dean’s Dissertation Fellowship	2020-2021
Economic History Association Graduate Fellowship	2019
The Institute for Humane Studies Fellowship	2019-2021
Best Third-Year Paper Award, NYU	2018
Provost’s Global Research Initiatives Fellowship, NYU Tel-Aviv	2018-2021
MacCracken Fellowship, NYU	2015-2020
Rector’s Award for Outstanding Students, The Hebrew University	2011-2012
Dean’s Award for Outstanding Students, The Hebrew University	2011-2012
Merit Scholarship for MA Research Students, The Hebrew University	2011-2013

PUBLICATIONS

San, Shmuel. 2023. “**Labor Supply and Directed Technical Change: Evidence from the Termination of the Bracero Program in 1964**”. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 15(1):136-63.

WORKING PAPERS

“Who Works Where and Why: The Role of Social Connections in the Labor Market”.
Revision requested (2nd round) at the *Journal of Political Economy*.

“Immigration, Science, and Invention: Evidence from the Quota Acts” with Petra Moser and Sahar Parsa. Revision requested at *Econometrica*

“The Role of Firms in the Assimilation of Immigrants” with Jaime Arellano-Bover. Revision requested (2nd round) at the *Journal of the European Economic Association*.

“Intergenerational Mobility of Immigrants in 15 Destination Countries” with Leah Boustan and 36 others. Revision requested at *American Economic Review*.

“A Second Soul: Age at Immigration, Language, and Cultural Assimilation” with Jaime Arellano-Bover and Kobi Mizrahi

“Internal Pay Equity and the Quantity-Quality Trade-Off in Hiring” with Michael Amior

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Does Capping Inequality Affect Workers and Firms? Evidence from a Natural Experiment Constraining CEO Pay” with Juliana Londono-Velez, Maor Milgrom, and Yotam Shem-Tov

“Labor Market Networks: Efficiency and Inequality” with Christian Dustmann, Rasmus Landersø, and Uta Schönberg

“Skilled Immigration and Technological Innovation” with Ran Abramitzky, Jaime Arellano-Bover, Leah Boustan, and Maor Milgrom

“Effect Through Adulthood of an Early Childhood Intervention” with Shahar Lahad and Victor Lavy

MISCELLANEOUS

Software: C++, Python, R, Matlab, Stata

Languages: English (Fluent), Hebrew (Native)

Birth Year: 1986

Citizenships: Israel, Austria