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EDUCATION

PhD in Economics, University of South Florida

May 2024 (expected)

M.A in Economics, University of South Florida

May 2021

B.A in Finance, Baku Engineering University

June 2019

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Health Economics, Industrial Organization, and Labor Economics

WORKING PAPERS

Job market paper: The Effect of Medicare Eligibility on The Utilization of Cancer Screening Tools

I have examined the impact of Medicare eligibility on cancer screening rates in the United States, employing the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System data and Regression Discontinuity model with age 65 as the threshold. The findings reveal substantial shifts in the uptake of colonoscopy, stool blood tests, and prostate-specific antigen tests precisely at age 65. However, the observed change in mammogram screening rates is comparatively modest. Furthermore, we observe minimal and statistically insignificant alterations in probability of taking Clinical Breast Exam at the age of 65.

Other working paper: The Effects of Medicare Eligibility on The Healthcare Expenses and Visits Before and After Full ACA Expansion in 2014

This study investigates how Medicare eligibility influences healthcare expenditures, payments, and visits, pre and post-ACA expansion in 2014. We focus on age 65 as the Medicare eligibility threshold using regression discontinuity and data from the Medical Expenditure Panel Survey. While total charges and expenses show no significant changes, annual self-expenditure decreases by one third, and payments by Medicaid and Private Insurance drop by around 75% in both time periods. Healthcare visit patterns remain stable. These findings hold across gender and race/ethnicity groups.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of South Florida

Aug 2021-Aug 2023

ECO2013 Macroeconomics Principles

TEACHING ASSISTANT EXPERIENCE

University of South Florida

Aug 2019-Aug 2021

ECO2013 Macroeconomic Principles; ECO2023 Microeconomic Principles.

ECO2025: Analytical Tools for Economist; ECO3101 Intermediate Price Theory.

ECO4401 Intro Mathematical Economics; ECO4422 Time Series and Forecasting.

ECO6936 Forecasting Time Series Analysis.

SKILL

Data Analysis, Financial Analysis, Project Management Stata, MATLAB, Python, R, EViews

LANGUAGES

Azeri-Native

English- Fluent

Turkish-Bilingual

REFERENCES

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