

## Education

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**University of Bayreuth, MSc in Economics** (research track) 2018-2021  
MSc Thesis (development, political & climate economics): “Climate-related natural disasters, economic growth and civil conflict: A causal machine learning approach”,  
Supervisor: *Prof. Dr. Mario Larch*, chair of Empirical Economics

**London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE), MSc in Economics** 2009-2010  
MSc Extended-Essay: “Convergence across the U.S. States”, Supervisor: *Timothy Besley*  
(grade: *Merit*).

**Yerevan State University, Armenia, BSc in Economics w/ Honors** 1997-2001

## Employment History

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**Teaching associate in Econometrics** (tutorials, in German); Bayreuth, Germany  
April. 2019 – July 2019  
Chair of Empirical Economics, University of Bayreuth

- Taught in German the tutorials/exercise sessions for the econometrics course called ‘Empirische Wirtschaftsforschung I’ for undergraduate students

**Full-time Lecturer in Economics** Armenia  
2014 – 2018  
College of Business & Economics, AUA

- Taught economics courses (in English) both to undergraduate and graduate students in business and economics programs
- Served in the Faculty Senate in various capacities (elected body which advises/ endorses/approves the university policies), Advisor to the Graduate Student Council

**Head of the Economic Impact Assessment Team;** Armenia  
2012 – 2014  
*Guillotine, the Government Staff of the Republic of Armenia*

- Diagnosed the cost components in legal acts/laws in taxation
  - Assessed those costs by devising and using various innovative approximation approaches in the face of data scarcity.
  - Assessed the costs of proposals made by the reviewers, aiming at 50% cost reduction per sector
  - Researched on comparative country regulation regimes and the best practices around the world
  - Drafted new proposals of legislative acts and regulations, wrote support for the proposals made
- Managed the Economic Impact Assessment team of 5 people
- Coordinated the work of all 15 reviewers with the team of assessors
- Provided training for the new members of the economic impact assessment team

**Private Tutor;** at LSE and Cass Business School (math, statistics, economics); 2011 – 12

**Tax Advisor** 2002 – 2009

- prepared individual, sole proprietor clients' income tax declarations and planned tax strategies for small businesses

### Awards/Achievements

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- AUA Faculty Teaching Excellence Award (\$1000) June, 2015
- Armenian Gov. Full Merit Scholarship (for BSc in Economics) 1997 – 2001
- 2<sup>nd</sup> place in National High School Geography Olympiad (no 1<sup>st</sup> place holder) 1997

### IT & Language

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- **Language:** German: *C1*, English: *near-native*, Russian: *near-native*, Armenian: *native*
- **Computer:** Orbis & Amadeus company databases (advanced), MS Office Programs: Word (advanced), Excel (advanced), Power Point (advanced), Access (basic), MS Project, MS Visio; Bloomberg Terminal (basic),
- **Statistical/Math/Geo Software Packages:** Stata (advanced), R (intermediate), R Markdown (intermediate), LaTeX (intermediate), Matlab (basic), E-Views (basic), SPSS (basic), ArcGIS (basic)