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Position

2018–2022 **British Academy Post-doctoral Research Fellow**, *Royal Holloway, University of London*,
Lecturer at Royal Holloway during a career opportunity break (2020-2021)

Academic Visits

2019–2020 Visiting Post-doctoral Researcher, *University College London*

Education

2018 **Ph.D. in Economics**, *Royal Holloway, University of London*
Main Supervisor: Ahu Gemici

2011 MSc in Applied Labour Economics for Development, *University of Turin, Italy*

2010 MSc in Economics, *Uppsala University, Sweden*

2006 BSc in Economics, *Shahid Beheshti University, Iran*

Grants

2018–2021 **British Academy Post-doctoral research fellowship (£263,303)**

The Impact of Maternity Leave on Labour Supply and Child Outcomes: Validating a Structural Model Using a Reform in Switzerland (PI)

2020–2021 Business Research Grant (AU\$ 10,000)

How does Maternity Leave affect Women's Careers and their Families? (Co-I)

Awards/Scholarships

2015 Award of Excellence for the best upgrade seminar & paper at PhD conference, *Royal Holloway*

2014 Award of Recognition for Teaching Assistant in the Department of Economics, *Royal Holloway*

2013–2016 Full scholarship including international fee waiver, *Royal Holloway*

2011 Compagnia di San Paola Scholarship, *Turin, Italy*

2001 Awarded the title of "highly talented student" due to obtaining the state rank of 180 among 449,927 students attending the university entrance examination in Iran

Work Experience

A. Teaching

2020–2021 Lecturer, *Royal Holloway*

2016–2017 Teaching Fellow, *Royal Holloway*

2014–2018 Teaching Assistant, *University College London*

2013–2016 Teaching Assistant, *Royal Holloway*

B. Research Assistance

Summer 2014 Intern, *Center of Economic Performance, London School of Economics*, Supervisor: Jonathan Wadsworth

Spring 2014 Research Assistant, *Royal Holloway*, Supervisor: Rob Sauer

- 2012-2013 Research Assistant, *University of Lausanne*, Supervisor: Rafael Lalive
C. Non-academic
- 11/2011-7/2012 Junior Economist, *International Labour Organization*, Geneva
- 5/2011-11/2011 Intern, *International Labour Organization*, Geneva

Publications

- Peer Reviewed “Higher Education Financing and the Educational Aspirations of Teenagers and their Parents”, *Economics of Education Review* (85) 2021 (with Dan Anderberg, Arnaud Chevalier, Melanie Luhrmann & Ronni Pavan).
- “Unilateral Divorce for Women and Labor Supply in the Middle East and North Africa: The Effect of Khul-reform”, *Feminist Economics* 20.4 2014 (with Anna Sjögren).
- Reports “Global Employment Trends for Women 2012” *International Labour Office*, Geneva, 2012 (with Catherine Saget).

Working Papers

- “Female Employment and Child Care”, Under Review.
- “Mothers at Work: How Mandating Paid Maternity Leave Affects Employment, Earnings and Fertility” (with Esther Mirjam Girsberger, Kalaivani Karunanethy, and Rafael Lalive), Under Review.

Seminars and Conferences

- 2020 EALE SOLE AASLE (Berlin Online)
- 2019 University of Lausanne, UCL Structural Seminar, SEHO (Lisbon), Econometric Society European Meeting (Manchester), EALE (Uppsala), AASLE (Singapore)
- 2018 Brunel University, IZA, Melbourne Institute, Cardiff School of Management, APCC Melbourne
- 2017 RES Annual Conference, Royal Holloway PhD Conference, SSES Annual Conference, Understanding Society Conference
- 2015-16 Royal Economic Society Easter School, Poster presentation at ISER Family Economics Conference, Royal Holloway PhD Conference

Qualifications

- Since 2015 Higher Education Academy Associate Fellow

Other

- Computer skills Fortran, MS Office, Python, SAS, Stata, and \LaTeX
- Languages Persian (Native), English (Fluent), French and Arabic (Basic)