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RESEARCH FIELDS

Industrial organization; health economics; applied microeconometrics; competition, ownership, and merger analysis.

EDUCATION

Concordia University, Montreal

PhD in Economics, expected Winter 2027.

Research supervisors: Jan Victor Dee and Tatyana Koreshkova.

King Saud University

MA in Economics, 2012-2014.

BA in Business Administration and Economics, 2008-2011.

WORKING PAPERS

The Static Effect of Chain Affiliation and their Subsequent Acquisitions on Price and Firm Markups (2026).

Main writing sample. Estimates discrete-choice demand and recovers markups and marginal costs in Pennsylvania nursing-home markets. Uses counterfactual ownership changes to study prices and welfare under mergers, acquisitions, and chain dissolution.

doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.7604642

The Static Effect of Market Concentration on Price and Quality Decisions (2026).

Examines the relationship between market concentration, private-room prices, and staffing quality using Pennsylvania panel data, dynamic-panel methods, and alternative market definitions.

SSRN abstract 7577118

CONFERENCES AND WORKSHOPS

Upcoming presentations

Canadian Stata Conference

Accepted presenter | 5-6 November 2026 | University of British Columbia, Vancouver

Past presentations

20th CIREQ-CIRANO Ph.D. Students' Conference

Presenter | 19-20 May 2026 | CIRANO, Montréal

Economics Graduate Seminar Series

Presenter | 10 October 2025 | Concordia University, Montréal

CIREQ Weekly PhD Student Research Workshop

Presenter | 2025 | Université de Montréal

Conference participation

Canadian Stata Conference

Participant | 3 October 2025 | Ottawa

CSA Policy Pathways Conference: Aging Canada 2040

Participant | 13 May 2025

Demand and Supply of LTC Services: New Perspectives from Economics, Sociology and Political Sciences

Participant | 18-19 April 2024 | CIRANO, Montréal

GRCH Workshop

Participant | 8 December 2023

18th CIREQ Ph.D. Students' Conference

Participant | 18-19 May 2023 | Concordia University, Montréal

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**Graduate Research Assistant, Industrial Organization**

Concordia University | March 2024-present

Study nursing-home acquisitions and chain ownership, focusing on competition, prices, service quality, and consumer welfare. Build structural demand and supply models, estimate consumer preferences and firm markups, and simulate acquisitions involving nonprofit and for-profit providers. Develop alternative specifications addressing endogeneity and sensitivity to market definitions; communicate findings through research memos and faculty presentations.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE**Teaching Assistant, Economics**

Concordia University | September 2019-November 2022

Supported intermediate and advanced microeconomics and macroeconomics courses. Held office hours and review sessions, developed practice materials, and graded assessments with course instructors.

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**Assistant Branch Manager**

Riyad Bank, Riyadh | July 2012-September 2015

Led a seven-person branch team; coordinated staff responsibilities, customer relationships, and branch operations with regional management.

Economic Researcher, Consulting Projects

Professor Asem Arab Consultation Center, Riyadh | December 2010-January 2012

Conducted feasibility studies for public and private projects. Analyzed real-estate supply and demand, designed surveys, and prepared economic and financial reports for senior economists and clients.

METHODS AND SOFTWARE

Discrete-choice demand estimation; structural supply models; instrumental variables; dynamic panels; counterfactual simulation; data cleaning and reproducible research.

Stata, Mata, Python, and LaTeX.

LANGUAGES

Arabic: native. English: professional working proficiency.

REFERENCES

References available upon request.