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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, Washington State University, USA 2021 – May 2026

Dissertation: “Essays in Applied Empirical Economics.”

Advisor: Dr. Jinhui Bai. Committee: Dr. Jia Yan, Dr. Jake Wagner.

M.A. in Financial Economics, Ohio University, USA 2013 – 2015

B.Sc. in Finance, Qassim University, Saudi Arabia 2006 – 2010

First Class Honors. Ranked first in graduating class, School of Business and Economics.

RESEARCH FIELDS

Applied Macroeconomics; Financial Economics; Applied Econometrics.

DISSERTATION

“Essays in Applied Empirical Economics.”

Chapter 1. “Financial Technology and Divorce.”

Chapter 2. “The Credit Cycle in Oil-Dependent Economies.”

Chapter 3. “The Determinants of Bulk Truck Rates.”

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

Return on investment for U.S. ports — estimating port-level returns using infrastructure data and international trade data. (With the Transportation Research Group at WSU.)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- “The Determinants of Bulk Truck Rates,” Pacific Northwest Regional Economic Conference (PNREC), May 2023. Paper presentation.
- “The Determinants of Bulk Truck Rates,” Transportation Research Board (TRB) Annual Meeting, December 2024. Poster.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, School of Business and Economics, Qassim

University May 2026 – Present

Teaching Assistant, School of Economic Sciences, WSU

Aug. 2025 – May 2026

- ECON 101: Principles of Economics.
- ECON 320: Money and Banking.

Research Assistant, Transportation Research Group, WSU

Aug. 2023 – May 2025

- Proposed and co-developed the U.S. Port Performance Index, a research dashboard offering broader port coverage and richer real-time indicators than existing benchmarks.
- Built Python pipelines to extract and structure infrastructure variables (cranes, rail access, terminal capacity) from publicly available U.S. port-facility reports, and integrated international trade data.
- Contributed to the empirical analysis of bulk truck rates and port efficiency that informed the dissertation chapter on bulk truck rates.

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, Qassim University, Saudi Arabia 2012 – May 2026

- Courses taught: Public Finance I, Public Finance II, Money and Banking, International Finance, and Real Estate Investment.
- Designed syllabi, assignments, and exams; provided academic advising and mentoring; supported senior faculty with instruction, grading, and research coordination.
- On scholarship leave for graduate study at Ohio University (2013–2015) and Washington State University (2021–2026).

ADMINISTRATIVE EXPERIENCE

Vice Dean, College of Nursing, Qassim University, Saudi Arabia 2019 – 2021

- Oversaw academic programs and led accreditation processes to ensure alignment with national education standards.
- Managed departmental budgets and resource allocation; developed staff performance evaluation policies.
- Strengthened student engagement through community outreach partnerships.
- Organized major institutional events including graduation ceremonies; served on multiple committees contributing to institutional development.

HONORS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Lawrence Hickman Endowed Graduate Fellowship, Washington State University 2025

Saudi Arabian Cultural Mission (SACM) Scholarship for Graduate Studies, U.S. 2013 – May 2026

M.A. at Ohio University (2013–2015); Ph.D. at Washington State University (2021–2026).

First Class Honors — Top of Graduating Class, School of Business and Economics, Qassim University 2010

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Python, Stata, LaTeX.

LANGUAGES

Arabic (Native); English (Full Professional Proficiency).