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Current Position

Senior Economist, International Economic Analysis Department, Bank of Canada, February 2014 - present

Education

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Field</i>	<i>Institution</i>	<i>Year</i>
Ph.D.	Economics	University of Minnesota	2013
M.S.	Quantitative and Computational Finance	Georgia Institute of Technology	2002
Diploma	International Economics	Kazakh Economics University	2001

Fields of Concentration

International Economics, Macroeconomics, Computational Economics

Dissertation

Title: "Essays on International Macroeconomics"

Dissertation Advisor: Professors Timothy J. Kehoe and Fabrizio Perri

Publication

"Cross-Country Evidence on the Quality of Fiscal Forecasts," with João Toval Jalles and Prakash Loungani.
Journal of Macroeconomics, Vol 45, September 2015, 186–201.

Work in Progress

"A Parallel Implementation of Smolyak Method in CUDA " (to be presented at CEF conference in New York).

Research Experience

June 2010 - *Summer Intern*, Research Department, International Monetary Fund.
August 2010 Worked under Douglas Laxton in the Economic Modeling Unit.
June 2002 - *Research Assistant*, Research Department, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta.
May 2003 Worked under Marco Del Negro and Tao Zha.
October 2003 - *Senior Analyst*, Research Center, National Bank of Kazakhstan.
July 2007

Honors and Awards

2008 - 2010 Japan-IMF Scholarship for Advanced Studies in North America, Washington, D.C.
2007 - 2008 Irving Fisher Fellowship in Economics, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota.
2001 - 2002 Bolashak Presidential Scholarship for graduate study in the United States, Astana, Kazakhstan.
1997 Honorable Mention, the 38th International Mathematical Olympiad, Mar del Plata, Argentina.
1997 Gold Medal, National Mathematical Olympiad, Kazakhstan.

Teaching Experience

2010 - 2012 *Teaching Assistant*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
Led recitations for Principles of Microeconomics and Principles of Macroeconomics.

Fall 2003 *Instructor, Magistratura of National Bank of Kazakhstan. Instructor for *Econometrics*.*

Presentations

2017 Conference on Computing in Economics and Finance, New York, USA.
2015 Conference on Computing in Economics and Finance, Taipei, Taiwan.
2014 Conference on Computing in Economics and Finance, Oslo, Norway.
 Canadian Economic Association Annual Conference, Vancouver, Canada.
 Congress of the European Economic Association and European meeting of the Econometric Society, Toulouse, France.
2013 Midwest International Economics Group and Midwest Economic Theory Meetings, East Lansing, Michigan, USA.

Computer Skills

C, C++, Eviews, Fortran, Gauss, Java, Mathematica, Matlab, Perl, SAS, STATA, SQL

Citizenship

Kazakhstan

Languages

English, Russian, Kazakh