

# MAHDI MAJBOURI

**Personal Information:** US Citizen

## Fields

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Development Economics, Labor Economics, Applied Econometrics

## Education

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- Ph.D. in Economics**, August 2010  
University of Southern California Los Angeles, CA  
Thesis Title: “Against the Wind: Essays on Labor Force Participation of Women in Iran”
- Master of Business Administration**, August 2004  
Sharif University of Technology Tehran, Iran
- B.S. in Mechanical Engineering**, September 2002  
Sharif University of Technology Tehran, Iran

## Work Experience

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- Babson College**, Wellesley, MA  
Associate Professor, Economics Division from Sept. 2017  
Assistant Professor, Economics Division Sept. 2010 – Sept. 2017
- University of Southern California**, Los Angeles, CA  
Research Assistant  
for John Strauss, Department of Economics May 2006 – Sept. 2007  
for Arthur Auerbach, Department of Political Science Jan. 2006 – Dec. 2006  
Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics Sept. 2005 – May 2008
- Economic Development and Cultural Change**, Los Angeles, CA Sept. 2007 – Sept. 2008  
Editorial Assistant for this Scholarly Journal

## Published Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals and Books

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### *Development Economics:*

- 01 “Twins, Family Size and Female Labour Force Participation in Iran,” *Applied Economics* (forthcoming; first online DOI: [10.1080/00036846.2018.1497853](https://doi.org/10.1080/00036846.2018.1497853); July 2018). (**Impact factor: 0.750**)
- 02 “[Iran’s Multi-ethnic Mosaic: A 23-Year Perspective](https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs11205-017-1800-4),” with Sanaz Fesharaki, *Social Indicators Research*, forthcoming, available online at <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007%2Fs11205-017-1800-4> (2017). (**Impact factor: 1.648**)
- 03 “[Oil and Entrepreneurship](#),” *Energy Policy* (2016), Vol. 94: 10-15. (**Impact factor: 4.04**)
- 04 “[Against the Wind: Labor Force Participation of Women and Economic Instability in Iran](#),” *Feminist Economics* (2016), 22(4): 31-53. (**Impact factor: 1.419**)

## Published Articles in Peer-Reviewed Journals and Books

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### *Development Economics (continued):*

- 05 “[Income Mobility and the Arab Spring: The Case of Egypt and Jordan](#),” *Applied Economics Letters* (2017), 24(15): 1070-1074. (Impact factor: 0.504)
- 06 “[Oil, Laws, and Female Labor Force Participation](#),” *International Advances in Economic Research* (2017), 23(1): 91-106 (Acceptance rate: 10-20%; source: Cabell’s)
- 07 “[Female Labor Force Participation in Iran: A Structural Analysis](#),” *Review of Middle East Economics and Finance* (2015), 11(1): 1-24. (Acceptance rate: 15-20%; source: Cabell’s)
- 08 “[Calculating the Income Counterfactuals for Oil Producing Countries of the MENA Region](#),” *Resources Policy* (2015), 44: 47-56. (Impact factor: 2.695)
- 09 “[Mobility and Poverty Dynamics in Iran: Evidence from the 1992-1995 Panel Survey](#),” with Djavad Salehi-Isfahani, *The Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance* (2013), Vol. 53 No. 3. (SN Impact factor: 0.904)
- 10 “[Private Sector Industrialization in China: Evidence from Wenzhou](#),” with John Strauss, Edward Y. Qian, Minggao Shen, Dong Liu, Qi Sun, and Qianfan Ying, in *Community, Market and State in Development*, editors Keijiro Otsuka and Kaliappa Kalirajan, Palgrave-McMillan Publishing, (December 2010).

### *Pedagogy:*

- 11 “[Start Your Class With A ‘What Do You Know?’ Survey](#).” In (Eds.) Victoria L. Crittenden, Kathryn Esper, Nathan Karst, and Rosa Slegers. *Evolving Entrepreneurial Education: Innovation in the Babson Classroom* (2015). New York, NY: Emerald Publishing Ltd. pp. 365-374.

### *Finance (earlier work):*

- 12 “[The Monetary Policy Risks of Hospitality Stocks](#),” with Levon Goukasian and Qingzhong Ma, *Cornell Hospitality Quarterly* (2012), Vol. 53 No. 4, 339-346. (Impact factor: 2.06)
- 13 “[The Reaction of Real-Estate-Related Industries to the Monetary Policy Actions](#)”, with Levon Goukasian, *Real Estate Economics* (2010), Vol. 38 No.2, 355-398. (Impact factor: 1.103)

## Published Articles in Editor-Reviewed Journals

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- 01 “[Children and Mother’s Participation in MENA](#),” *Topics in Middle Eastern and North African Economies* (2016), Volume 18, No. 1. (Indexed in [EconLit – American Economic Assoc.](#))

## Accepted Manuscripts

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- 01 “Estimating a Model of Settlement Bargaining in the World Trade Organization,” with Mostafa Beshkar, prepared as a book chapter for (Ed.) Zissimos, Ben. *The World Trade Organization and Economic Development* (tentative title), formally accepted by editor (after peer-review) on Dec. 13, 2016. The publisher is MIT Press.

## Institutional Publications and Encyclopedia Entries

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- 01 “[Global Entrepreneurship Monitor 2017/2016 Women’s Entrepreneurship Report](#),” with Donna J. Kelley, Abdul Ali, Benjamin S. Baumer, Candida Brush, Patricia G. Greene, Mahnaz Mahdavi, Marcia Cole, Monica Dean, René Heavlow, Babson College and Smith College, August 2017.
- 02 “[2016 Global Entrepreneurship Monitor US Report](#),” with Donna J. Kelley, Abdul Ali, Candida Brush, Andrew C. Corbett, Philip H. Kim, Babson College, August 2017.
- 03 “[2015 Global Entrepreneurship Monitor US Report](#),” with Donna J. Kelley, Abdul Ali, Candida Brush, Andrew C. Corbett, Caroline Daniels, Philip H. Kim, Thomas Lyons, and Edward J. Rogoff, Babson College and Baruch College, August 2016.
- 04 “[2014 Global Entrepreneurship Monitor US Report](#),” with Donna J. Kelley, Abdul Ali, Candida Brush, Andrew C. Corbett, Caroline Daniels, Philip H. Kim, Thomas Lyons, and Edward J. Rogoff, Babson College and Baruch College, September 2015.
- 05 “[2013 Global Entrepreneurship Monitor US Report](#),” with Donna J. Kelley, Abdul Ali, Candida Brush, Andrew C. Corbett, Thomas Lyons, and Edward J. Rogoff, Babson College and Baruch College, May 2014.
- 06 “[2012 Global Entrepreneurship Monitor US Report](#),” with Donna J. Kelley, Abdul Ali, Candida Brush, Andrew C. Corbett, and Edward J. Rogoff, Babson College and Baruch College, May 2013.
- 07 “[2011 Global Entrepreneurship Monitor US Report](#),” with Donna J. Kelley, Abdul Ali, Candida Brush, Andrew C. Corbett, Diana Hechavarría, and Edward J. Rogoff, Babson College and Baruch College, November 2012.
- 08 “[Who Pays? Out-of-Pocket Health Spending and Equity Implications in the Middle East and North Africa](#)”, with Heba Elgazzar, Firas Raad, Chokri Arfa, Awad Mataria, Nisreen Salti, Jad Chaaban, Djavad Salehi-Isfahani, and Sanaz Fesharaki, November 2010. Health, Nutrition and Population (HNP) discussion paper; World Bank, Washington, DC. License: CC BY 3.0 IGO.
- 09 “Risk Aversion” entry in *Wiley Encyclopedia of Management, 3rd. edition*, edited by Cary L. Cooper, Volume editor: Robert McAuliffe, John Wiley and Sons, November 2014.
- 10 “Risk Neutrality” entry in *Wiley Encyclopedia of Management, 3rd. edition*, edited by Cary L. Cooper, Volume editor: Robert McAuliffe, John Wiley and Sons, November 2014.
- 11 “Risk Premium” entry in *Wiley Encyclopedia of Management, 3rd. edition*, edited by Cary L. Cooper, Volume editor: Robert McAuliffe, John Wiley and Sons, November 2014.

## Working Papers

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- 01 “[Sir! I’d Rather Go to School, Sir!](#)” presented at the World Bank (link to the [Video](#) of the presentation); IZA Discussion Papers No. 10787; under journal review
- 02 “[Fertility and the Puzzle of Female Employment in the Middle East](#)”; under journal review

## Work in Progress

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- 01 “Eliminating Supply: A Natural Experiment in Higher Education”
- 02 “A Course on Global Poverty for Business Undergraduates”

## Honors and Awards

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<b>United Nations University-WIDER Horizontal Inequality Project (\$6000)</b> United Nations University-WIDER, joint with Sanaz Fesharaki	October 2016
<b>ERF Paper Publication Award (\$1000)</b> Economic Research Forum – for the paper entitled “Income Mobility and the Arab Spring...”	October 2016
<b>ERF Paper Publication Award (\$1000)</b> Economic Research Forum – for the paper entitled “Calculating Income Counterfactuals...”	January 2015
<b>Ibn Khaldun Prize for Best Paper in 2013</b> Middle East Economic Association	January 2014
<b>Babson Summer Research Fund (\$10,000)</b> Babson College, Wellesley, MA	Summer 2013
<b>Babson Summer Research Fund (\$10,000)</b> Babson College, Wellesley, MA	Summer 2012
<b>Babson Glavin Council of Chairs Research Fund (\$7,500)</b> Babson College, Wellesley, MA	Summer 2011
<b>Wallis Annenberg Fellowship for Research on Women (\$25,000)</b> USC, Los Angeles, CA	June 2009 – May 2010
<b>Center for Excellence in Teaching – Teaching Assistant Fellow</b> USC Center for Excellence in Teaching, Los Angeles, CA	Fall 2007 – Winter 2009
<b>US-China Institute Summer Fieldwork Grant (\$2,000)</b> USC US-China Institute, Los Angeles, CA	Summer 2007
<b>Graduate Merit Fellowship (up to \$23,000 per year)</b> Graduate School, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA	Fall 2004 – May 2009
<b>Outstanding Student Award</b> Graduate School of Business and Economics, Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran.	2002 - 2004

## Professional Service and Membership

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Economic Research Forum <a href="#">Affiliated as Research Fellow</a>	March 2013 - present
IZA <a href="#">Affiliated as Research Fellow</a>	April 2017 - present
Middle East Economic Association (MEEA) <a href="#">Treasurer (elected)</a>	January 2016 - present
Board Member	January 2015 - present
Social Media Outreach Advisor	January 2015 - present
Co-Program Chair of the 39th Annual Meeting in Atlanta	Mar. 2018 – Jan. 2019
<a href="#">Co-Program Chair of the 38th Annual Meeting in Philadelphia</a>	Mar. 2017 – Jan. 2018

**Professional Service and Membership (continued)**

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<a href="#"><u>Co-Program Chair of the 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in Chicago</u></a>	Mar. 2016 – Jan. 2017
Sole local organizer of the 35 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting at Babson College	Jul. 2014 – Jan. 2015
Secured sponsorship for the 35 <sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting (\$5000)	January 2015
Member of the Editorial Advisory Board for the book entitled “Online Communities as Agents of Change and Social Movements,” edited by Steven Gordon	Dec. 2016 – present