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## EDUCATION

- July 2008                      Ph.D., Economics, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT  
Dissertation title: "Reducing the Use of Polluting Products: An Evaluation of Alternative Policy Approaches"  
Primary interest: Environmental and Natural Resource Economics/Industrial Organization  
Additional Interests: Public Policy, Applied Microeconomics, Law and Economics, Development Economics and International Trade
- July 2005                      M.A., Economics, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT
- June 1998                      B.A., Economics, American University in Cairo, Cairo, Egypt

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 2015- present                Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Trinity College, Hartford, CT
- 2008- 2015                    Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Trinity College, Hartford, CT
- 2007- 2008                    Visiting Assistant Professor, Barney School of Business, University of Hartford, West Hartford, CT
- 2003-2007                    Instructor, Department of Economics, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT
- 2002-2005                    Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

## PUBLICATIONS

Cosgel, Metin, Rasha Ahmed and Thomas Miceli (2009). "Law, State Power and Taxation in Islamic History," *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 71(3): 704-717

Ahmed, Rasha and Kathleen Segerson (2011). "Collective Voluntary Agreements: Towards Greener Markets," *Resource and Energy Economics*, 33(3): 572- 588

Ahmed, Rasha (2012). "The Design of Voluntary Environmental Programs: Competition and Incentives to Participate," *Strategic Behavior and the Environment*, 2(3)

Ahmed, Rasha (2012). "Promoting Energy-Efficient Products: Voluntary or Regulatory Approaches?" *Environmental Economics and Policy Studies*, 14(3): 303- 321

Ahmed, Rasha, Keely Stater and Mark Stater (2013). "The Effect of Poverty Status and Public Housing Residency on Residential Energy Consumption in the US," *Energy Studies Review*, 21(1)

Ahmed, Rasha, Mark Stater and Michael S. Visser (2017). "Market and Welfare Effects of Big Box Retail Entry in a Linear City Model with Oligopolistic Competition," *Annals of Economics and Statistics*, 127

Ahmed, Rasha and Mark Stater (2017). "Is Energy Efficiency Under provided? An Analysis of the provision of Energy Efficiency in Multi-Attribute Products," *Resource and Energy Economics*, 49

### **COMPLETED WORKING PAPERS**

"Product Differentiation in the Automobiles Market: An empirical Analysis," with Mark Stater, working paper

"Big Box Friendly Towns: An Analysis of Big Box Location Pattern" with Parameta Dhar

"The Footprint Based CAFE Standard: Is It Any Better? An Analysis of Vehicle Design Response in an oligopoly market"

"Are Automakers Investing Enough in Fuel Economy? An empirical Analysis of the Automobiles Market"

"Environmental effects of Technology Induced Demand" with Zinnia Mukherjee

"Emissions Control and the Regulation of Product Markets," with Kathleen Segerson, Working paper, 2010

"Gasoline Taxes and CAFE Standards: Substitutes or Compliments for Controlling Automobile Emissions," with Kathleen Segerson, Working paper, 2009

### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

"Fuel Economy or Quality? The Impact of Consumer Preferences on the Effectiveness of Fuel Economy Regulation," with Kathleen Segerson

"Controlling Emissions from Automobiles Using Tradable Permits: An Empirical Analysis," with Shanjun Li

"How Far Did the European Voluntary Agreements on Polluting Products Go? A Case Study"

"Measuring It Right: the Modified Human Development Index"

### **PRESENTATIONS**

"How Far Are Green Markets? An Analysis of Trends, Potential and Obstacles in Green Markets," presented at Simmons College, 2018

"The Melting Pot Revisited: An Analysis of integration challenges," Ansaar of Worcester , 2018

“Does the Technology Exist? Understanding the Provision of Fuel Efficiency,” 5<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Istanbul, Turkey, 2014

“The Design of Voluntary Environmental Programs: Competition and Incentives to Participate,” AERE Meetings in Seattle, June 2011

“Emissions Control and the Regulation of Product Markets: The Case of Automobiles,” 4th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Montreal, Canada, June 2010

“How are Cars different from Washing Machines? Environmental Agreements as a “Win- Win” Policy Option,” Brown Bag Lecture Series at the Economics Department, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, April 2007

“Emissions Control and the Regulation of Product Markets: The Case of Automobiles,” Camp Resource XIV Workshop, Wilmington, NC, August 2006

“Collective Agreements and the Use of less Polluting Products,” The National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) Summer Institute, Research Sketches, Cambridge, MA, July 2005

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2008-Present	Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Trinity College, Hartford, CT Basic Economic Principles Microeconomics Theory Urban Economics Introduction to Policy Analysis Seminar in Urban Topics Green Goods Markets
2007-2008	Visiting Assistant Professor, Barney School of Business, University of Hartford, West Hartford, CT Principles of Microeconomics Urban and Regional Economics-Masters level City Economics Principles of Macroeconomics Managerial Economic
2003-2007	Instructor, Department of Economics, University of CT, Storrs, CT Principles of Microeconomics Principles of Macroeconomics Honors level Principles of Microeconomics Honors level Principles of Macroeconomics Intermediate Microeconomics Theory
2002-2005	Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of CT, Storrs, CT Industrial Organization and Game theory-PhD level Principles of Microeconomics Principles of Macroeconomics

Intermediate Microeconomics theory-Masters level

### **COLLEGE SERVICE**

Sept 2017- present      TIIS board member  
Sept 2013-2017      Academic Affairs Committee, Trinity College  
Feb 2012-Present      Jury Panel, Trinity College  
Feb 2012      Manuscript writing workshop participant, Trinity College  
April 2011      Speaker at Trinity Interdisciplinary Institute Lecture Series, Trinity College  
Aug 2010-May 2011      Information Technology in Education Committee, Trinity College  
Aug 2009-May 2011      Senior Thesis Co-Coordinator, Economics Department, Trinity College  
Nov 2009      Panel Member, PhD Program Experiences in the Social Sciences, Trinity College

### **PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP**

2017- present      Ansaar of Worcester, Board member  
2010- present      Association of Environmental and Resource Economists  
2015- present      American Economic Association Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (CSWEP) Liaison for Trinity College

### **REFEREE**

Journal of Public Administration and Policy Research  
Journal of Economic Education  
Contemporary Economic Policy  
Resource and Energy Economics  
Resources, Conservation & Recycling  
Journal of Interdisciplinary Business Research

### **OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Revised *The Urban Experience* by Barry Bluestone, 2018  
Invited to author, *Intermediate Microeconomics: Workouts*, the accompanying study Guide for Hal Varian's *Intermediate Microeconomics*, 2018

Discussant, “The impact of energy prices on energy efficiency: Evidence from the UK refrigerator market” 5th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Istanbul, Turkey, 2014

Discussant, “Vehicle Weight, Highway Safety, and Climate Change Policy,” 4th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Montreal, Canada, June 2010

Session Chair, “Environmental Policy Instruments I,” 4th World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists, Montreal, Canada, June 2010

## LANGUAGES

Fluent in Arabic and English

## AWARDS

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| 2006 | Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship Award, Graduate School, University of CT                                      |
| 2002 | Albert E. Waugh Award for academic achievement and teaching Excellence, Economics Department, University of CT |
| 1998 | Academic Excellence Award, The Egyptian Syndicate of Commerce  |

## REFERENCES

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