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RESEARCH INTEREST:

Development Economics, Health Economics, Economics of Education

EDUCATION:

PhD Candidate, Sustainable Development, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, expected May 2023

MPA in Economic Policy Management, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY, May 2015

MSc in Economics, ADDIS ABABA UNIVERSITY, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, July 2010

BA in Economics, ADDIS ABABA UNIVERSITY, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, July 2008

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS:

College Admission Concern and Academic Field Preference: Evidence from Ethiopian Pre-College Program

Labor Market Supply Shock and Firm Performances: Evidence from Ethiopia

Heat Stress and Cognitive Performance: Evidence from College Admission Exams

Spotting Academic Cheating in Aggregate Test Score Data: A Machine Learning Approach

Protests and Productivity: The Effect of Political Protests on Firm Performances in Ethiopia

WORKING PAPERS:

Mobile Technologies and Health Literacy: Evidence from Sub-Saharan Africa

Academic Cheating in College Admission Exams and College Outcomes: Evidence from Ethiopian Pre-College Program.

Birth Spacing and Children's Birth and Long Term Outcomes

PUBLICATIONS:

To Be or Not to Be: The Dilemma of Africa's Economic Engagement with China and Other Emerging Economies, *Journal of African Review* 5(2), 118 - 138, 2013, with Alemayehu Geda and

Matias Assefa

Price Dynamics in Ethiopia, Ethiopian Journal of Economics 22(2), 109 - 130, 2015

RESEARCH POSITIONS:

Graduate Research Fellow with Professor Suresh Naidu, Columbia University, January 1 - December 31, 2020.

Research Assistant, INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE, IRI, COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, June to August 2017.

Research Fellow, ETHIOPIAN ECONOMICS ASSOCIATION, ETHIOPIAN ECONOMIC POLICY RESEARCH INSTITUTE, November 2011 to June 2014.

Research Fellow, NATIONAL BANK OF ETHIOPIA, July 2010 - Nov 2011.

TEACHING POSITIONS:

Graduate Teaching Fellow, Columbia University – Fall 2019, Principles of Economics, Professor Waseem Noor; Spring 2019, Microeconomics of Development, Professor Jack Willis; Fall 2018, Political Economy, Professor Alessandra Casella; Spring 2018, Macroeconomics Laboratory, Professor Guillermo Calvo; Fall 2017, Development Economics, Professor Francisco Rivera-Batiz

Lecturer, ADDIS ABABA UNIVERSITY, Department of Economics, September 2015 to July 2016

Adjunct Lecturer, ADDIS ABABA UNIVERSITY, Department of Economics and College of Commerce, 2010 to 2014

AWARDS:

Dean's Fellow, GSAS, Columbia University, 2016

Joint Japan World Bank Graduate Scholarship (JJ/WBGS), World Bank in collaboration with Columbia University, 2014

African Economic Research Consortium (AERC) Graduate Scholarship, in collaboration with Addis Ababa University, 2008

TICA Scholarship for outstanding undergraduate students of Addis Ababa University, 2006

PROGRAMMING SKILLS:

STATA (Advanced), R (Advanced), MATLAB (Intermediate)

REFERENCES:

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