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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2023 - Bentley University, Associate Professor of Economics (with tenure)  
2017 - 2023 Bentley University, Assistant Professor of Economics  
2016 - 2017 Harvard University, David E. Bell Postdoctoral Fellow  
2012 - 2016 National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), Research Assistant

## EDUCATION

2010 - 2016 City University of New York, Ph.D. in Economics  
2007 - 2008 University Paris 1 Panthéon - Sorbonne, M.A. in Economics  
2001 - 2007 Galatasaray University, B.A. in Economics

## AFFILIATIONS

2024 - JPAL/IPA Humanitarian Protection Initiative, Invited Researcher  
2023 - JPAL/IPA Displaced Livelihoods Initiative, Invited Researcher  
2023 - Hopkins Economics of Alzheimer's Disease & Services Center, Research Affiliate  
2021 - IZA Institute of Labor Economics, Research Affiliate  
2020 - Households in Conflict Network (HiCN), Research Affiliate  
2019 - ERF Economic Research Forum, Research Fellow  
2017 - 2020 Visiting Scholar, Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies

## FIELDS OF INTEREST

Population Health, Public Policy, Forced Migration

## ONGOING PROJECTS

*ADRD, Family Caregiving and Children's Labor Supply in Denmark.*  
with Matvei Andersen, Jane Greve, and Yulya Truskinovsky.  
Funded by HEADS Center at Johns Hopkins University.

*Diversity, Integration, and Business Productivity.*  
with Lydia Assouad and Ceren Baysan.  
Funded by JPAL DLI.

*Broadening Social Safety Net among Jordan's SMEs.*  
with Diloá Jacob Bailey Athias, Jade Siu, Olivier Sterck.  
Joint project with ILO Jordan.

**RESEARCH PAPERS** (†: equal co-authorship)

**Population Health and Public Health Policy**

*Information on Measles, Mumps and Rubella Vaccine in the Copenhagen School Health Records Registry*

Altindag O., Andersen M., Baker J., Greve J., Tekin E. (2023)

Minor revisions requested, **Scandinavian Journal of Public Health**.<sup>†</sup>

*Another Day, Another Visit: Impact of Arkansas' Mandatory Waiting Period for Women Seeking an Abortion by Demographic Groups*

Altindag, O., Joyce, T. (2022)

**Journal of Public Economics**, 213, 104715.<sup>†</sup>

*Public Health Policy At Scale: Impact of a Government-sponsored Information Campaign on Infant Mortality in Denmark*

Altindag, O., Greve, J., Tekin, E. (2022)

**Review of Economics and Statistics**, 1:36.<sup>†</sup>

*Mental Health Costs of Lockdowns: Evidence from Age-specific Curfews in Turkey*

Altindag, O., Erten, B., Keskin, P. (2022)

**American Economic Journal: Applied Economics**, 14 (2): 320-43.<sup>†</sup>

*Can Nonexperimental Methods Provide Unbiased Estimates of a Breastfeeding Intervention?: A Within-Study Comparison of Peer Counseling in Oregon*

Altindag, O., Joyce, T., and Reeder, J. A. (2019)

**Evaluation Review**, 43(3-4), 152-188.

*Effects of the Affordable Care Act Medicaid Expansion on Subjective Well-Being in the US Adult Population, 2010-2016*

Kobayashi, L., Altindag, O., Truskinovsky, Y., Berkman, L. (2019)

**American Journal of Public Health**, 109, 1236-1271.<sup>†</sup>

*Judicial Bypass for Minors Seeking Abortions in Arkansas Versus Other States*

Altindag, O., Joyce, T. (2017)

**American Journal of Public Health**, 109, 1236-1271.

*Son Preference, Fertility Decline, and the Nonmissing Girls of Turkey*

Altindag, O. (2016)

**Demography**, 53, 541-566.

*Telephone Peer Counseling of Breastfeeding Among WIC Participants: A Randomized Controlled Trial*

Reeder, J.A., Joyce, T., Sibley, K., Arnold, D., Altindag, O. (2014)

**Pediatrics**, 134, e700-e709.

## Forced Migration and Humanitarian Policy

*Efficiency versus Effectiveness in Targeting Scaled Social Assistance Programs: Evidence from a Nationwide Policy Experiment.*

AEA Registry RCT ID: AEARCTR-0009725.

Altindag, O., O'Connell S.D. (2024)

*The short-lived effects of unconditional cash transfers to refugees*

Altindag, O., O'Connell S.D. (2023)

**Journal of Development Economics**, 160, 102942.<sup>†</sup>

*Do Refugees Impact Voting Behavior in the Host Country? Evidence from Syrian Refugee Inflows in Turkey*

Altindag, O., Kaushal, N. (2021)

**Public Choice**, 186, 149–178.<sup>†</sup>

*Targeting Humanitarian Aid Using Administrative Data: Model Design and Validation*

Altindag, O., O'Connell S.D., Sasmaz A., Balcioglu Z., Jerneck M., Foong A.K. (2020)

**Journal of Development Economics**, 148, 102564.

*Blessing or Burden? The Impact of Refugees on Businesses and the Informal Economy*

Altindag, O., Bakis, O., Rozo, S. (2020)

**Journal of Development Economics**, 148, 102564.<sup>†</sup>

## OTHER PEER-REVIEWED PAPERS

*On Measuring and Reducing Selection Bias With a Quasi-Doubly Randomized Preference Trial*

Joyce, T., Remler, D.K., Jaeger, D.A., Altindag, O., O'Connell, S.D., Crockett, S. (2017)

**Journal of Policy Analysis and Management**, 36, 438-459.

*Does classroom time matter?*

Joyce, T., Crockett, S., Jaeger, D.A., Altindag, O., O'Connell, S.D. (2015)

**Economics of Education Review**, 46, 64-77.

## NON-PEER-REVIEWED MANUSCRIPTS

*The Great Recession, Older Workers with Disabilities, and Implications for Retirement Security*

Altindag, O., Schmidt, L., Sevak, P. (2012)

Michigan Retirement Research Center Research Paper, No. 2012-277.<sup>†</sup>

*Unconditional Cash-based Assistance to the Poor: What do At-scale Programs Achieve?*

Altindag, O., O'Connell S.D., (2020)

Permanent working paper.<sup>†</sup>

An older and extended version of *The short-lived effects of unconditional cash transfers to refugees.*

**GRANTS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS**

2023 - 2025	Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (JPAL), Displaced Livelihoods Initiative. Award amount: \$153,505. Role: Co-PI.
2019 - 2024	Innovation for Poverty Action (IPA), Peace and Recovery Program. Award amount: \$29,766. Role: Co-PI.
2018 - 2023	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees & World Food Programme. Design and Evaluation of Targeted Humanitarian Assistance (competitive contract). Award amount \$693,655. Role: Co-PI.
2022 - 2023	Bentley University, Health Thought Leadership Network. Award amount: \$5,000. Role: PI.
2022 - 2023	Hopkins' Economics of Alzheimer's Disease & Services (HEADS) Center. Award amount: \$24,152. Role: PI.
2021 - 2022	Bentley University, Research Council. Award amount: \$7,000. Role: PI.
2020 - 2021	Northeastern University, The College of Social Sciences and Humanities Research Development Initiative. Award amount: \$8,000. Role: Co-PI.
2019 - 2020	Bentley University, Research Council. Award amount: \$7,000. Role: PI.
2018 - 2024	Novo Nordisk Foundation. Award amount: \$1,543,500. Role: Co-PI.
2018 - 2019	Bentley University, Faculty Affairs Committee. Award amount: \$2,500. Role: PI.
2018 - 2019	Bentley University, Health Thought Leadership Network. Award amount: \$1,500. Role: PI.
2016 - 2017	Harvard University, T.H. Chan School of Public Health. David E. Bell Postdoctoral Fellow.
2014 - 2016	City University of New York, Baruch College. Zicklin's Online Learning and Evaluation Initiative Fellow.
2010 - 2014	City University of New York, The Graduate Center. Enhanced Chancellor's Fellow.

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

2017 -	Bentley University Introduction to Econometrics Intermediate Price Theory Mathematical Statistics Principles of Microeconomics
2011 - 2014	Baruch College, City University of New York Statistical Analysis for Economics and Finance

## **CONSULTING EXPERIENCE**

- 2023 - International Labour Organization (ILO), Jordan.
- 2018 - United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR), Lebanon.
- 2018 - UN World Food Programme (WFP), Lebanon.

## **LANGUAGES**

- Human Turkish (native), English, French.
- Computer **R**, Stata

## **NON-ACADEMIC INTERESTS**

- CMAS Divemaster (★★★), NAUI Nitrox Diver
- Marathoner, proud member of the Somerville Road Runners

**PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS**

- 2024 World Bank, Washington D.C.  
UVA Batten, Charlottesville VA.
- 2023 WFP Impact Evaluation Forum, Rome.  
The Value of Vaccination Research Network (VoVRN), Massachusetts.  
Hopkins' Economics of Alzheimer's Disease & Services (HEADS) Center, Baltimore MD.  
ASHEcon Annual Meeting, St. Louis MO.  
Economics Department, Tufts University, Medford, MA.  
Economics Department, Northeastern University, Boston, MA.  
World Food Programme, Rome.
- 2022 Southern Economic Association 2022 Annual Meeting, Fort Lauderdale.  
APPAM 2022 Fall Conference, Washington DC.  
United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Lebanon, Beirut.  
Economics Department Seminar, Galatasaray University, online.  
Economics Department Seminar, Deakin University, online.  
John Glenn College of Public Affairs Seminar, The Ohio State University, online  
Health Economics Seminar, UMass Amherst, Massachusetts.  
The 2<sup>nd</sup> Research Conference on Forced Displacement, online.
- 2021 Georgia Tech School of Economics, online.  
American University Department of Public Administration and Policy, online.  
Istanbul Metropolitan Municipality Planning Agency, online.  
European Economic Association Annual Congress, online.  
Erasmus School of Economics, Rotterdam, online.  
ERF 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, online.  
41<sup>st</sup> BREAD Virtual Conference on Development Economics, online.  
Economics Department, Bentley University, online.  
Economics Department, TOBB University, online.
- 2020 Fifth Annual Population Health Science Research Workshop (PHS 2020), online.  
NBER Health Economics Program 2020 Fall Meeting, online.  
Economic Departments, Bentley University, online.  
Humanities Joint Seminar, Bentley University, online.  
Middle East Economic Association Annual Meeting, (MEAA 2020), online.  
School of Business, University of Connecticut, online.  
United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, online.  
Economics Department Joint Seminar, Boğaziçi, TOBB, and Hacettepe Universities, Istanbul, online.  
Population Association of America Annual Meeting, (PAA 2020), online.  
Emory University Economics Department Seminar, Atlanta, Georgia.  
Conference on Forced Displacement, Joint Data Center on Forced Displacement, Copenhagen.

- 2019 Research Initiative on the Economics of the Middle East (RIEME 2019), Edinburgh.  
Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies, Massachusetts.  
Population Association of America (PAA 2019), Texas.  
International Health Economics Association (iHEA 2019), Basel.
- 2018 IZA Annual Migration Meeting, UCD Geary Institute for Public Policy, Dublin.  
Research Initiative on the Economics of the Middle East (RIEME 2018), Paris.  
Conference on the Impacts of Refugees in Hosting Economies, USC Marshall, California.  
Social Policy and Development Seminars, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul.  
The Rockwool Foundation Seminar, Copenhagen.  
VIVE - The Danish Center for Social Science Research Seminar, Copenhagen.  
Midwest Economics Association, SOLE special session, Chicago.
- 2017 Research Initiative on the Economics of the Middle East (RIEME 2017), Oxford.  
Harvard Center for Population and Development Studies, Massachusetts.  
Economics Department, Bentley University, Massachusetts.  
Eastern Economic Association (EEA 2017), New York.  
Population Association of America (PAA 2017), Chicago.  
Economics Department, Koç University, Istanbul.  
International Health Economics Association (iHEA 2017), Massachusetts.
- 2016 Conference on Human Capital, Galatasaray University, Istanbul.  
Economics Department, Boğaziçi University, Istanbul.  
Economics Department, Sabancı University, Istanbul.  
Economics Department, Koç University, Istanbul.  
Economics Department, Bilgi University, Istanbul.  
Economics Department, TOBB University, Ankara.  
Economics Department, Auckland University of Technology, Auckland, online.  
Economics Department, Bentley University, Massachusetts.