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APPLIED ECONOMETRICS

POPULATION ECONOMICS

LABOR ECONOMICS

University of Wisconsin, Madison, Ph.D. in Economics, 1985;
University of California, Berkeley, M.S. in Operations
Research, and M.Eng. in Industrial Engineering, 1975, Middle
East Technical University, B.S. in Industrial Engineering, 1973

Professor Tunali teaches econometrics, labor economics
and statistics. His recent research focuses on the areas of
population and labor dynamics in Turkey and the Middle
East; household survey methodology, attrition.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

“Education and Earnings in the Middle East: A Comparative
Study of Returns to Schooling in Egypt, Iran, and Turkey.”
“(With Djavad Salehi-Esfahani and Ragui Assaad.) Middle
East Development Journal, 1:2, 145-187, December 2009
“Analysis of Attrition Patterns in the Turkish Household
Labor Force Survey, 2000-2002.” Ch. 6 in Labor Markets
and Economic Development, edited by R. Kanbur and J.
Svejnar, 110-136. London and New York: Routledge, 2009
(forthcoming)
“Agricultural Transformation and the Rural Labor Market in
Turkey.” (With pek lkkaracan.) Ch.7 in Rethinking Structural
Reform in Turkish Agriculture: Beyond the World Bank’s
Strategy, edited by B. Karapınar, F. Adaman, and G. Özertan.
Hampshire: NOVA, 2009 (forthcoming)
“Female Labor Supply in Turkey.” Ch.4 in The Turkish
Economy: The Real Economy, Corporate Governance and
Reform and Stabilization Policy, edited by S. Altu and A.
Filiztekin, 92-127. (With Cem Ba levent) Routledge, 2006
“Rationality of Migration.” International Economic Review, 41
(November 2000) 893-920
“Stratified Partial Likelihood Estimation” (With Geert Ridder.)
Journal of Econometrics, 92 (October 1999) 193-232
“A General Structure for Models of Double-Selection and an
Application to a Joint Migration/ Earnings Process with Re-
migration.” In Research in Labor Economics, Volume 8, Part

B. R. Ehrenberg (Ed.), pp. 235-82. Greenwich: JAI Press, 1986

EDITORIAL BOARDS

Journal of Statistical Research (Advisory Board); Middle East
Development Journal; Yapı Kredi Economic Review

GRANTS and CONSULTING

The Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey
(TÜB TAK) Research Awards: “Analysis of Attrition Patterns in
TURKSTAT Household Labor Force Surveys over the Period
2000-2004” (2006-8); “Adjustments for Attrition and Rotation
Design for Transition Matrices Obtained from the Turkish
Household Labor Force Survey: Methods and Labor Market
Applications” (2010-)

Economic Research Forum Research Award, World Bank
(DGF) Program (2000-05): “A Comparative Study of the
Economic Returns to Education in Egypt, Iran and Turkey.”
(With Ragui Assaad and Djavad Salehi-Esfahani)

Economic Research Forum Research Award, World Bank
(DGF) Program (1999-2002): “Structural Adjustment and
Gender Gaps in Labor Market Outcomes: A Comparative
Analysis of Egypt and Turkey.” (With Ragui Assaad and
Djavad Salehi-Esfahani)

Economic Research Forum Research Award, World Bank
(DGF) Program (1999-2004): “Female Labor Supply in Egypt,
Iran and Turkey.” With Ragui Assaad and Djavad Salehi-
Esfahani)

Consultant: International Labor Office, Ankara Office
(1994-99); -Kur (Turkish Employment Agency, 2002-3);
ÖSB Consulting GmbH, Austria [on behalf of the European
Commission, DG Employment] (2005); Turkish Statistical
Institute (1995-99, 2001-3); State Planning Organization
(2005-6); World Bank (1984, 1999, 2003-4)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Academic

Instructor (1975-77), Department of Applied Statistics,
Middle East Technical University

Instructor (83-85); Asst. Prof. (85-90) Dept. of Economics,



Cornell University

Assistant Professor (1990-94), Department of Economics,
Tulane University

Assistant Professor. (94-00) and Associate Prof. (00-present)
Dept. of Economics, Koç University

Associate Dean of College of Administrative Sciences and
Economics (10 - present)

Visiting Academic Positions

NIH Post-Doctoral Fellow at the Population Research Center,
University of Chicago (1989-90); Visiting Scholar, Dept. of
Economics and California Center for Population Research,
UCLA (2002-3); Visiting Associate Professor, Department of
Economics, and Visiting Scholar, International Policy Center,
Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan
(2008-9)

HONORS and AWARDS

Dorothy S. Thomas Award for excellence in the study of
migration or economic-demographic-social interrelations
(1985), Population Association of America; European
Association of Labor Economics (EALE) Prize for the Best
Paper Published in Labour Economics during the period
2002-2003 (Paper title: "Wage Formation and Recurrent
Unemployment." Co-authored with Ragui Assaad.)

MEMBER

American Economic Association

Econometric Society, Middle East Economic Association

Population Association of America

Turkish Economics Association

Appointed Member: Turkish Academy of Sciences (TUBA)

Social Science Foresight Study (2005-6); Dorothy Thomas
Award Committee

Population Association of America (2006-8)

Social Science Standing Committee

European Science Foundation (2007-8)