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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT
- Lecturer, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2019

EDUCATION
- **Ph.D.**, Economics, Washington State University, 2020

  Dissertation: "Essays in Environmental Regulation Design and Product Differentiation"
- **B.S.**, Industrial Engineering, Sharif University of Technology, 2013

  Thesis: "Feasibility Study of producing Disposable Containers in Tehran"

RESEARCH INTERESTS
Primary: Environmental and Natural Resource Economics, Industrial Organization
Secondary: Mathematical and Stochastic Modeling, Behavioral Economics

SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS
- School of Economic Sciences Excellence in Teaching Award, Washington State University, Fall 2018.

- School of Economic Sciences GSA Poster Competition Award, Spring 2018.

- Annual Global Case Competition on the issue of Arbitrary Detention in United States, first place team, WSU. In addition to a scholarship, the award included travel to the United Nations Office at Geneva, Switzerland to present the case to the United Nations Working Group on Arbitrary Detention, Fall 2016.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE
- **University of Illinois at Chicago:**
  - Mathematical Methods for Economics (master's level, Summer 2020)
  - Environmental Economics (Fall 2019, Spring 2020)
  - Econometrics (Fall 2019)
  - Behavioral Economics (Fall 2020)
  - Macroeconomics in the World Economy: Theory and Applications (Summer 2020)
  - Principles of Macroeconomics (Fall 2019, Spring 2020, Fall 2020)
  - Principles of Microeconomics (Spring 2020)

- **Washington State University:**
  - Business Management Economics (Fall 2019, online)
  - Managerial Economics for Decision Making (summer 2019, online)
  - Fundamentals of Macroeconomics: (Spring 2019, Fall 2018, Summer 2018, Spring 2018, Fall 2017, Spring 2017, Fall 2016, Summer 2016, Spring 2016)
  - Guest lecturer, Econ 594 Theory of Industrial Organization (Fall 2018)

PUBLICATIONS
- Azizi, S. and Yektansani, K., 2020. Artificial Intelligence and Predicting Illegal Immigration to the USA, International Migration

WORKING PAPERS
Job Market Paper:
- Yektansani, K. and Espinola-Arredondo, A., Environmental Policy Design Under Environmentally Concerned and Future Oriented Consumers.

Other Papers:
- Yektansani, K., Product Differentiation in a Two-Characteristic Space, With Discrete and Continuous Characteristics.

- Yektansani, K. and Azizi, S., Using Machine Learning to Predict Consumers' Environmental Attitudes and Beliefs.
- Yektansani, K., Azizi, S., The Impacts of Economic Inefficiencies on Carbon Dioxide Emissions.

PRESENTATIONS
- "Using Machine Learning to Predict Consumers' Environmental Attitudes and Beliefs". Department of Economics of the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI, (forthcoming) 2020
- "The Impacts of Labor Force Participation rate on CO2 Emissions by Using Data For 34 OECD Countries". MVEA Annual Meeting, Memphis, TN, 2018
- "Environmental Policy Design Under Environmentally Conscious and Future Oriented Consumers." 2018 AAEA Annual Meeting Poster Presentation. Washington DC.
- "Product Differentiation in a Two-Characteristic Space, With Discrete and Continuous Characteristics." 2018 GPSA Research Exposition. Pullman, WA.
- "Environmental Policy Design Under Environmentally Conscious and Future Oriented Consumers." 2017 School of Economic Sciences Seminar Series. Pullman, WA.

OTHER EXPERIENCES
- Graduate Studies Committee, Washington State University, 2018.
- Textbook Reviewer for "Workbook to accompany Advanced Microeconomic Theory: An Intuitive Approach with Examples", Felix Munoz-Garcia, The MIT Press, 2016.
- Research Assistant, WSU (Pullman, WA): Professor Jill McCluskey, Summer 2015.
- Human Resources Developer, 5040 Company, Tehran, Iran, 2014.
- Human Resources Assistant (internship), Farab Corporation, Tehran, Iran, Summer 2013.

SKILLS
Computer: R, Mathematica, Stata, COMFAR, GAMS, LINDO, Vensim, ALDEP, Microsoft Office, MSP

Languages: English (fluent), Farsi (native)