

# Shahir Safi

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EDUCATION	<p><b>PhD in Economics</b>, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona and Barcelona GSE (2013–2018) * <i>Advisors</i>: Salvador Barberà, Tomás Rodríguez Barraquer * <i>Dissertation Title</i>: Essays on Networks, Social Ties, and Labor Markets * <i>Committee Members</i>: Antonio Cabrales, Ramon Caminal, Andreu Mas-Colell (Chair)</p> <p>Visiting Scholar, University College London (July–September, 2017) * <i>Supervisor</i>: Antonio Cabrales</p> <p><b>Masters in Economics (Doctoral Track)</b>, Toulouse School of Economics (2011–2012)</p> <p><b>Bachelor of Arts in Economics (Honors)</b>, University of Alberta (2007–2010)</p>
CURRENT POSITION	<p><b>Postdoctoral Fellow</b>, Aix-Marseille School of Economics (2018–present)</p>
RESEARCH INTERESTS	<p><b>Information Economics, Networks, Applied Theory</b> I am an applied theorist with a focus on information economics and networks. My research has covered topics like employee referrals, strategic communication, peer effects, and formation of collaboration networks.</p>
FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, & AWARDS	<p>LAGV prize for the “Best Paper by a Young Researcher” (ASSET Conference, 2019)</p> <p>Postdoctoral Research Grant (Aix-Marseille School of Economics, 2018–2021)</p> <p>FPI Fellowship: BES-2015-074695, Ministry of Economy, Industry, and Competitiveness (UAB, 2016–2018)</p> <p>Severo Ochoa Program for Centers of Excellence in R&amp;D of the Spanish Ministry of Economy and Competitiveness, Fundación Areces Excellence Distinction, and RecerCaixa project on “Inequality, Social Mobility, Effort, and Education” (UAB, 2014–2015)</p> <p>The Jason Lang Scholarship (University of Alberta, 2008 &amp; 2009)</p> <p>The Joseph and Renata Suchocki Scholarship (University of Alberta, 2008)</p>
WORKING PAPERS	<p>“Job Market Signalling Via Social Ties”, <i>under review</i>. * Job Market Paper * Winner of 2019 LAGV prize for “Best paper by a Young Researcher” in the ASSET conference — under the title “The Weakness of Weak Ties in Referrals”.</p> <p>“Listen Before You Link: Optimal Monitoring Rules for Communication Networks”, <a href="#">Games and Economic Behavior (revision requested)</a>.</p> <p>“Targeting in Networks Under Costly Agreements”, with Mohamed Belhaj and Frédéric Deroïan, <i>under review</i>.</p> <p>“Collaboration Networks”, with Yann Bramoullé, <i>in progress</i>.</p>

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE

Lecturer for Microeconomics IV, Winter 2020  
Aix-Marseille School of Economics, Graduate Level

Teaching Assistant for Prof. Ramon Caminal, Microeconomics II, Winter 2018  
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Graduate Level

Teaching Assistant for Prof. Antonio Miralles, Microeconomics II, Winter 2017  
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Undergraduate Level

Teaching Assistant for Prof. Tomas Rodriguez Barraquer, Optimization, Fall 2016  
Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Graduate Level

Tutor for Introductory Level Economics Courses, 2008–2009  
University of Alberta, Undergraduate Level

REFERENCES

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CONFERENCES,  
SEMINARS,  
WORKSHOPS, &  
SUMMER  
SCHOOLS

**2020**

- \* Brown Bag Seminar (University of Strathclyde)
- \* Department Seminar (University of Fribourg)
- \* Department Seminar (University of Bristol)
- \* Department Seminar (University College Dublin)
- \* Department Seminar (University of Bath)
- \* Dynamics and Information Workshop (School of Mathematical Sciences in Tel-Aviv University)

**2019**

- \* 15th Annual Conference on Economic Growth and Development (Indian Statistical Institute, Delhi)
- \* Annual Meeting of the Association of Southern European Economic Theorists (Athens University of Economics and Business)
- \* 2nd EAYE Workshop on Social Networks (University of Paris 1 Pantheon-Sorbonne and Paris School of Economics)
- \* Canadian Economic Association Annual Conference (Banff Centre for Arts and Creativity)
- \* Fifth Annual Conference on Network Science and Economics (Indiana University Bloomington)
- \* Royal Economic Society Annual Conference (University of Warwick)

**2018**

- \* 43rd Symposium of the Spanish Economic Association (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid)
- \* Job Market Talk (Aix-Marseille School of Economics)
- \* Job Market Talk (The Cambridge-INET Institute, University of Cambridge)
- \* Job Market Talk (Universidad Autónoma de Madrid)

**2017**

- \* Brown Bag Theory Seminar (University College London)
- \* 2nd BiNoMa Workshop on Economics of Networks (Universidad de Málaga)

- \* Third Annual Conference on Network Science and Economics (Washington University in St. Louis)
- \* 22nd Coalition Theory Network Workshop (Adam Smith Business School of the University of Glasgow)
- \* ENTER Jamboree (University College London)

**2016**

- \* Annual Meeting of the Association of Southern European Economic Theorists (University of Macedonia)
- \* Young Economists Meeting (Masaryk University)
- \* The 27th Jerusalem School in Economic Theory on: "The Theory of Networks" (The Hebrew University of Jerusalem - Israel Institute for Advanced Studies)
- \* Game Theory seminar (Universidad del País Vasco/Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea)
- \* Brown Bag Seminar (Université de Toulouse 1)
- \* Barcelona GSE PhD Jamboree (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)
- \* ENTER Jamboree (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid)
- \* 4th PhD-Student Workshop in Industrial and Public Economics (CREIP - Universitat Rovira i Virgili)
- \* Student Seminar (Universitat Pompeu Fabra)
- \* Micro-Lab (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)
- 2017/2016/2015/2014** \* Student Seminar (Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona)

IT SKILLS

LaTeX, STATA, MATLAB, and R