

# MIREILLE KOZHAYA

## CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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### WORK EXPERIENCE

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- 04/2016 – PRESENT    **Research Associate**, Schumpeter School of Business and Economics, University of Wuppertal, Chair of Public Finance and Taxation, Wuppertal, Germany (parental leave: 02/2018 – 04/2019 and 06/2022 – 08/2023)
- 02/2015 – 04/2016    **Parental Leave / Childcare Leave**
- 05/2014 – 02/2015    **Student Research Assistant**, Ruhr University Bochum (RUB), Chair of Public Finance and Economic Policy, Bochum, Germany
- 04/2010 – 11/2011    **Quality Control Assistant**, Chedid Insurance and Reinsurance Company, Quality Control Department, Lebanon
- 07/2008 – 09/2008    **Internship**, Credit Libanais Bank, Banking and Finance, Lebanon
- 07/2007 – 11/2011    **Event Hostess / Planner**, Tandem Agency, Lebanon
- 07/2007 – 10/2007    **Library Assistant**, Notre Dame University–Louaize (NDU), Lebanon
- 10/2004 – 04/2011    **Private Tutor**, Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry and English, Lebanon

## EDUCATION

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- 04/2016 – 06/2023 **Doctorate in Economics (Dr. rer. oec.)**, University of Wuppertal, Germany (summa cum laude)  
*Dissertation: “The Role of Policy and Education Reforms in Economic Development: Microeconomic Analyses for Latin America”*; Supervisors: Prof. Dr. Kerstin Schneider and Prof. Dr. Werner Bönte
- 04/2013 – 04/2015 **Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Economics**, Ruhr University Bochum, Germany
- 09/2006 – 01/2010 **Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.) in Business Administration and Economics**, Notre Dame University–Louaize (NDU), Lebanon
- 10/1991 – 06/2006 **High School Diploma (Economics & Sociology)**, Evangelical School for Boys and Girls (BESGB), Lebanon

## PUBLICATIONS

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### Peer-reviewed journal articles

Kozhaya, M., Martínez Flores, F. (2022), School attendance and child labor: Evidence from Mexico’s Full-Time School program. *Economics of Education Review*, 90, 102294, doi:10.1016/j.econedurev.2022.102294.

Kozhaya, M., Martínez Flores, F. (2025), Child labor bans, employment, and school attendance: Evidence from changes in the minimum working age. *The World Bank Economic Review*, 39(1), 164–190, doi:10.1093/wber/lhae020.

### Working papers (under revision at *Labour Economics*)

Kozhaya, M. (2022) The Double Burden: The Impact of School Closures on Labor Force Participation of Mothers. *Ruhr Economic Papers* No. 956.

### Projects in progress

Kozhaya, M., Zuchanek, K. (2026) Disaster, Coping Strategies, and Child Well-Being Among Syrian Refugees: Evidence from the Beirut Port Explosion.

## AWARDS

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**Junior Award of the Friends and Sponsors of RWI (2023)** – Awarded for the article: Kozhaya, M., Martínez Flores, F., School attendance and child labor: Evidence from Mexico’s Full-Time School program. *Economics of Education Review*; the award recognizes outstanding research achievements of early-career researchers at RWI Essen (Leibniz Institute for Economic Research).

## VOLUNTEERING & ACTIVITIES

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Since **2023** – **Volunteer (Children’s Church)**, Catholic parish Hagen-Dahl – Co-organising child-friendly services and children’s activities.

## CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

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| 2021 | 34th Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics (ESPE), Barcelona, Spain |
| 2021 | Brown Bag Seminar, University of Wuppertal   |
| 2020 | Gender Economics, Verein f’ur Socialpolitik (VfS), Cologne                                       |
| 2019 | 10th RGS Doctoral Conference in Economics, TU Dortmund, Germany                                  |
| 2016 | Public Finance (FiWi) Workshop, Leibniz University Hannover                                      |

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| WINTER TERM 2024 –<br>PRESENT | Tutorial: Public Economics (Master’s level), teaching assistant to Prof. Dr. Kerstin Schneider                                |
| SUMMER TERM 2017 –<br>2024    | Lecture: Microeconomics (Bachelor’s level), teaching assistant to Prof. Dr. Kerstin Schneider                                 |
| WINTER TERM 2016 –<br>2022    | Tutorial: Economic Policy (Bachelor’s level), teaching assistant to Prof. Dr. Werner Bönte and Prof. Dr. Christian Bredemeier |
| SUMMER TERM 2016 –<br>PRESENT | Tutorial: Microeconomics (Bachelor’s level), teaching assistant to Prof. Dr. Kerstin Schneider                                |

## ACADEMIC SERVICE

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**Peer Review** – Ad-hoc reviewer: *Economics of Education Review* (2025); *International Journal of Child Care and Education Policy* (2025); *Education Economics* (2024).

## SKILLS

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| SOFTWARE  | Stata, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, MS Office                  |
| LANGUAGES | Arabic (native), English (fluent), German (fluent), French (basic) |