

# TORSTEN JOCHEM

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## RESEARCH

Primary Field: Comparative Economic Systems/Institutions; Public, Urban and Labor Economics  
Secondary Field: Applied Microeconomics; Applied Econometrics

## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics	2012 (expected)
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA	
M.A., Economics, GPA 3.6	Sep 2009 (expected) <sup>1</sup>
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA	
M.A., International Affairs (Socio-Economic Development), GPA 4.0	Jun 2007
The New School University, New York, NY	
German Diplom <sup>2</sup> , Computer Science and Business, GPA 4.0	Jun 2005
University of Applied Sciences Karlsruhe, Germany	
Vocational Training as Software Developer <sup>3</sup>	Jun 2000

## ACADMEMIC & WORK EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant	Department of Economics, University of Pittsburgh	Sep 2008 – present
Research Assistant	Department of Int'l Affairs, The New School, NY	Jul 2006 – Jan 2007
Policy Research Asst	Global Policy Section, UNICEF/UN, NY	Sep 2006 – Dec 2006
Election Observer <sup>4</sup>	Presidential Elections; Ukraine	Dec 2005
Project Coordinator	Introduction of IT at the Polytechnic Univ. Kabul, for German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD)	Apr 2004 – Jul 2004
Intern	Software Develop't, Pierburg Instruments, Detroit	Mar 2003 – Oct 2003
Tutor	Programming (C++, Java): Department of Business Information Systems, Karlsruhe	Mar 2002 – Oct 2004
Software Developer	Web-based ERP, data mining: Producta AG	Sep 1998 – Jun 2000
Corporal	Military Service, Artillery Tank driver; Germany	Aug 1997 – Aug 1998

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<sup>1</sup> All requirements fulfilled.

<sup>2</sup> German Diplomas require a 4-5 year accredited university program.

<sup>3</sup> Vocational trainings require 2-3 years of schooling and on-the-job training with final state exams.

<sup>4</sup> On behalf of ESIB, accredited by the Ukrainian Election Commission.

## **DISTINCTIONS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS**

TA/TF Mentor	University of Pittsburgh	Aug 2009 – Aug 2010
Jerome C. Wells Teaching Award	University of Pittsburgh	May 2009
Teaching Fellowship	University of Pittsburgh	Sep 2008 – present
Graduate Fellowship	University of Pittsburgh	Sep 2007 – Aug 2008
Distinction	M.A. degree with Distinction	May 2005
Graduate Fellowship	The New School University, New York	Sep 2005 – Jun 2007
Fulbright Fellowship	U.S. Department of State	Sep 2005 – Sep 2006
Kiwanis Award	For social commitment	Jun 2005
Distinction	German Diplom with Distinction	May 2005
Travel Scholarship	German Acad. Exch. Service (DAAD)	Mar 2003

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS**

Referee for *Journal of Comparative Economics*

Member of the *American Economic Association* (since 2008)

Member of the *Association for Comparative Economic Studies* (since 2009)

Participant, Summer School on Economic Policy, Kiel Institute for the World Economy (Jul 2008)

Presenter, *India's IT Brain Drain—Curse or Blessing*, Political Science Institute, Univ. Muenster (Jul 2005)

Chair of Student Government (Sep 2008 – Aug 2009; Jan 2006 – Oct 2006; Oct 2001 – Mar 2003)

## **COMPUTER SKILLS**

Statistical Packages (Stata, SAS); Desktop Programming (C, C++, Java, Visual Basic, MS Office Macros);  
Web Programming (ASP, php, html/CSS); Databases (MS Access, SQL Server, Oracle, MySQL);  
Presentation (Latex, Powerpoint, Beamer)

## **PERSONAL INFORMATION**

Citizenship: German (U.S. F-1 visa)

Status: Single

Languages: German (native); English (fluent); Spanish (advanced); French (reading); Tamil (beginner)

Int'l Experiences: 5 years in the U.S.; backpacking in 40+ countries; stayed almost 2 years in developing countries

Free time: Hiking, traveling, Latin America

## **REFERENCES**

Prof. Dr. Berkowitz Department of Economics, University of Pittsburgh

Prof. Dr. Kenkel Department of Economics, University of Pittsburgh