

Curriculum Vitae

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Current Positions

- 2010 – Professor, Rosita and Esteban Herczeg Chair, Department of Economics, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- 2006 – Professor, Department of Economics, Royal Holloway, University of London
- 2007 – Research Fellow, CEPR
- 2007 - Director, Minerva Center of Economic Growth

Previous Positions

- 2009 – 2010 Head of the Economic Advisory Board of the Israeli Minister of Finance
- 2004 – 2011 Senior Fellow, Shalem Center
- 2008 Member of the state commission of inquiry investigating the treatment of Holocaust survivors by the state of Israel
- 2007 Member of the committee nominated by the Israeli prime minister for the measurement of poverty
- 2007- 2010 Member of the panel for macroeconomic policy in the Ministry of Finance
- 2001 – 2007 Research Affiliate, CEPR

- 2004 – 2005 Acting Director, Minerva Center of Economic Growth
- 2006 –2010 Associate Professor (Rosita and Esteban Herczeg Chair),
Department of Economics, Hebrew University of Jerusalem
- 2004 – 2006 Senior Lecturer, Department of Economics, Hebrew
University of Jerusalem
- 2000 –2004 Lecturer, Department of Economics, Hebrew University of
Jerusalem
- August 1999 – July 2000: Post-Doctoral Fellow, Department of Economics, MIT

Editorial Positions

- 2001 – Associate Editor, *Finnish Economic Papers*
- 2005 – Associate Editor, *Journal of Economic Growth*
- 2006 – 2007 Panel Member, *Economic Policy*
- 2006- Associate Editor, *Macroeconomic Dynamics*

Education

- 1990-1993 B.A. Economics and Business, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
(Magna cum laude)
- 1993-1995 Master in Economics, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem
(Summa cum laude)
- 1995-1999 Ph.D., Economics, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem

Fellowships and Honors

- 1992 Dean's list, Hebrew University
- 1993 Rector's fellowship, Hebrew University
- 1994 Rector's fellowship, Hebrew University
- 1998 Wolf fellowship for Ph.D students, Wolf foundation, Israel
- 1999 Fulbright fellowship, The United States-Israel Educational Foundation
- 2001 Alon fellowship, Israel, Ministry of Education
- 2006 Rector's Prize for excellence in research and teaching, Hebrew University
- 2008 Guest of honor and keynote speaker in the 2008 annual ceremony of the Aaron
Gutwirth Fund.
- 2008 Keynote speaker in the XIIIth Spring Meeting of Young Economists: SMYE
2008, Lille, April 2008.
- 2008 Excellence in Refereeing Award, American Economic Review, 2007-2008
- 2009 Commencement speaker and guest of honor at the Hebrew University (Social
Sciences commencement)
- 2009 Guest of honor and keynote speaker in the September 2009 meeting of the
Association of Friends of the Weizmann Institute.
- 2009 Excellence in teaching Hebrew University list

2011 Guest of the Israeli ambassador in Zagreb, September 2011, lecturing on the Israeli economy at Osijek University, Economy Institute at Zagreb, and Libertas Business School.

Research Grants

1999 – 2000	Falk Institute, “Stratification, Capital-Skill Complementarity, and wage inequality”, (with Yishay Maoz) \$5,000
2000 – 2001	Falk Institute, “Capitalists, Workers and Landlords: Institutions and Cross Country Growth Differences”, (with Oded Galor) \$5,000
2001 – 2002	Falk Institute, “Cheap children and the Persistence of Poverty” \$5,000
2002 – 2003	Falk Institute, “Inequality in the Ownership of Land: A Political Barrier for Public Schooling and Economic Growth” \$5,000
2003 – 2005	Israel Science Foundation, “Land, Education Reforms, and the Process of Development” (with Oded Galor) 213,000 NIS
2004 – 2005	Falk Institute, “The Quality of Information and Incentives for Effort” \$5,000
2007 – 2009	Israel Science Foundation, "Technological Progress and Regress, Institutions, and the Transition to Modern Growth" 160,000 NIS
2007 – 2008	The Pinhas Sapir Center, "An Empirical Analysis of Emigration from Israel" (with Eric Gould) \$12,000
2011 – 2014	Israel Science Foundation, "Environment and Transparency: The rise of the State and Property Rights from Ancient Egypt and Babylon to the 20 th Century" 269,000 NIS

Publications

Moav, Omer and Zvika Neeman, " Saving Rates and Poverty: The Role of Conspicuous Consumption and Human Capital", *Economic Journal*, forthcoming

Moav, Omer and Zvika Neeman (2010) "The Quality of Information and Incentives for Effort", *The Journal of Industrial Economics*, 58, 642 – 660

Moav, Omer and Zvika Neeman (2010) "Status and Poverty" *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 8, 413-420.

Galor, Oded, Omer Moav and Dietrich Vollrath (2009) “Land Inequality and the Emergence of Human Capital Promoting Institutions” *Review of Economic Studies*, 76, 143–179.

Aiyar, Shekhar, Carl-Johan Dalgaard and Omer Moav, (2008) "Technological Progress and Regress in Pre-industrial Times" *Journal of Economic Growth*, 13, 125-144

Gould, Eric, Omer Moav and Avi Simhon, (2008) "The Mystery of Monogamy" *American Economic Review* 98, 333-357.

Galor, Oded and Omer Moav (2006) "Das Human-Kapital: A Theory of the Demise of the Class Structure", *Review of Economic Studies* 73, 85-117

Moav, Omer (2005) "Cheap Children and the Persistence of Poverty" *Economic Journal* 115, 88-110.

Galor, Oded and Omer Moav (2004) "From Physical to Human Capital: Inequality in the Process of Development" *Review of Economic Studies* 71, 1001-1026.

Maoz, Yishay and Omer Moav (2004) "Social Stratification, Capital-Skill Complementarity and the Non-Monotonic Evolution of the Education Premium", *Macroeconomic Dynamics* 8, 295-309. (Lead article).

Galor, Oded and Omer Moav (2002) "Natural Selection and the Origin of Economic Growth", *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 117, 1133-1191. (Lead article).

Moav, Omer (2002) "Income Distribution and Macroeconomics: The Persistence of Inequality in a Convex Technology Framework," *Economics Letters* 75, 187- 192.

Gould, Eric, Omer Moav and Bruce Weinberg (2002) "Skill Obsolescence and Wage Inequality Within Education Groups". In *The Economics of Skill Obsolescence*, in the book series *Research in Labor Economics*, Solomon Polachek (series ed.), A. Grip, J. Loo, and K. Mayhew (eds.), 21, 215-234.

Gould, Eric, Omer Moav and Bruce Weinberg (2001) "Precautionary Demand for Education, Inequality and Technological Progress", *Journal of Economic Growth* 6, 285-316.

Galor, Oded and Omer Moav (2001) "Evolution and Growth", *European Economic Review* 45, 718-729

Galor, Oded and Omer Moav (2000) "Ability Biased Technological Transition, Wage Inequality and Economic Growth," *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 115, 469-497
Reprinted in: "Recent Developments in Growth Theory," D. Acemoglu ed., Edward Elgar Publishing Ltd., 2004.

Maoz, Yishay and Omer Moav (1999) "Intergenerational Mobility and the Process of Development," *Economic Journal* 109, 677-697.

Refereed publications in Hebrew

Gould, Eric and Omer Moav (2007) "The Brain Drain from Israel", *The Economic Quarterly* (Hebrew) 46-69. Translated to English and reprinted: "Israel's Brain Drain" *Israel Economic Review* 5, 1-22.

Moav, Omer (1996) "The Kibbutz Dining Room - A Model for Privatization" *The Economic Quarterly* (Hebrew) 33-44.

Other Publications

Moav, Omer, Book Review of *Economic Tales* (Hebrew), by Ariel Rubinstein, *Tchelet*, (Hebrew) 39, Spring 2010. Reprinted in *Azure*, (English) 42, Autumn 2010.

Moav Omer, "Brain Drain, Scientific Achievements, and the Wage Structure in the Universities", a lecture in the conference The Government Budget: Implications Upon the Higher Education System in Israel, *The Economic Quarterly* (Hebrew), 56, 21-27

Moav, Omer and Ofer Cohen (2008), "Who Needs Job Security?", *Tchelet*, (Hebrew) Spring 2008, 53-72. Reprinted in *Azure*, (English) Autumn 2008.

Moav, Omer (2007), comment on: "The Effect of Information and Communication Technologies on Urban Structure" by Yannis M. Ioannides, Henry G. Overman, Esteban Rossi-Hansberg, and Kurt Schmidheiny, *Economic Policy* 23, 232 – 234.

Moav Omer (2007), Printed Lecture from the Conference "The Universities (in Israel): an Organizational Economic Crises and Brain Drain", *The Economic Quarterly* (Hebrew), 150-153. Translated to English and reprinted in *Israel Economic Review* (forthcoming)

Moav, Omer (2007) comment on: "Does School Tracking Affect Equality of Opportunity? New International Evidence" by Giorgio Brunello and Daniele Checchi, *Economic Policy*, 52, 781-861.

Moav, Omer (2007), Book Review of *Freakonomics*, by Steven Levitt and Stephen Dubner, *Tchelet*, (Hebrew) Winter 2007, 26, 148-152.

Moav, Omer (2006) comment on: "Valuating Ecosystem Services as Productive Inputs" by Edward Barbier, *Economic Policy*, 22 (49), 177-229.

Moav, Omer (2006), Introduction to the Hebrew edition of *Basic Economics: A Citizen's Guide to the Economy* by Thomas Sowell, Shalem Press

Moav, Omer and Hadas Gabay (2005) "How to Solve the Problem of Labor Strikes", *Tchelet*, (Hebrew) November 2005, 22, 74-90.

Ahituv, Avner and Omer Moav (2003), "Fertility Clubs and Economic Growth". In *Inequality and Growth: Theory and Policy Implications*, Theo Eicher and Stephen Turnovsky eds., Cambridge: MIT Press, 61-87.

Working Papers

Mayshar, Joram, Moav, Omer, and Neeman, Zvika. (2011) "Transparency, Appropriability and the Early State", CEPR Discussion Paper 8548

http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1920754

Gould, Eric D. and Moav Omer, "When is "Too Much" Inequality Not Enough? The Selection of Israeli Emigrants"

http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1146123

Galor Oded and Moav Omer, "The Neolithic Origins of Contemporary Variations in Life Expectancy"

http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1012650

Professional Activities

Refereed for: *American Economic Review, Review of Economic Studies, Econometrica, Journal of Political Economy, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Economic Policy, Economic Journal, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Labor Economics, Rand, Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking, European Economic Review, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Economic Theory, American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Review of Economics & Statistics, International Economic Review, Journal of International Economics, Economica, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, B.E. Journals in Macroeconomics, German Economic Review, Bulletin of Economic Research, European Journal of Political Economy, Oxford Economic Papers, IMF staff Paper, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Quarterly Economics, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Economics Letters, Economic Modelling, Journal of Economic Inequality, Journal of Economics, Theoretical Economics, Review of Development Economics, Southern Economic Journal*

Presentations in Seminars: The Hebrew University, Ben-Gurion University, Haifa University, Bar-Ilan University, Tel-Aviv University, Boston University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, University of British Columbia, Universitat Pompeu Fabra, IIES (Stockholm), Mannheim University, Connecticut University, ECARES, Toulouse, Lyon, World Bank, NES (Moscow), MERIT (University of Maastricht), University of Cologne, Penn State, University of Copenhagen, York, Cyprus, Warwick, Royal Holloway, Konstanz, LSE-UCL Growth/Development seminar, GREQAM, SOAS (London), City University (London), Bristol, Zurich, Harvard/MIT Growth/Development seminar,

Brown, Auckland, Australian National University (Canberra), HECER (Helsinki), Universitat Autònoma, Chemnitz, Bilkent, Aberdeen, Edinburgh.

Participation in Conferences

(as a presenter unless indicated otherwise)

1. Minerva Conference, "Economic Growth", Jerusalem 1999
2. The Summer Institute NBER conference, "Inequality and Growth", Cambridge Massachusetts 1999
3. "Crises, Growth and Inequality" Aix en Provence, 2000
4. The Summer Institute NBER conference, "Inequality and Growth", Cambridge Massachusetts 2000
5. Euroconference "Innovation and Economic growth" Barcelona 2000
6. The XIth Summer School of the European Economic Association, Barcelona 2000
7. Winter workshop of the European Econometric Society, Venice, January, 2001
8. CEPR Conference "The Economics of Education", Bergen, May 2001
9. CESifo Conference, "Growth and Inequality Issues and Policy Implications", Munich 2001
10. ESSIM - Annual conference of the International Macro group of the CEPR, Maale Hachamisa 2001
11. "Dynamics, Economics Growth, and International Trade," VI Conference, Vienna, 2001
12. The Summer Institute NBER conference, "Inequality and Growth", Cambridge Massachusetts 2001
13. CEPR conference "Dynamic Aspects of Public Expenditure," Copenhagen 2001
14. American Economic Association Meetings, Atlanta 2002
15. The Summer Institute NBER conference, "Inequality and Growth", Cambridge Massachusetts 2002
16. "The Economics of Water and Agriculture", Rehovot, 2002
17. Minerva Center for Economic Growth "From Stagnation to Growth" Switzerland 2003 (conference co-organizer and presenter)
18. CEPR conference "The Economics of Education and Inequality" Paris 2003
19. ESSIM - Annual conference of the International Macro group of the CEPR, Tarragona, 2004
20. CEPR Conference, "The Economics of Family, Gender and Work", Bergen 2004
21. CEPR Conference, "Productivity Differences", Sardinia 2004
22. NBER Summer Institute: Inequality and Growth, Cambridge Massachusetts 2004
23. CEPR Conference, "Long-Run Growth", Venice 2005
24. Society of Economic Dynamics, annual conference, Budapest 2005
25. Conference in honor of Reuben Gronau, Jerusalem, 2005 (discussant)
26. Israeli Economic Association meetings, Maale Hachamisha, 2006
27. Economic Policy, Panel Meeting, Vienna, 2006 (discussant)
28. NBER Summer institute, "Inequality and Growth", Cambridge Massachusetts 2006

29. Minerva DEGIT, "Economic Growth and International Trade" Jerusalem 2006 (co-organizer and presenter)
30. IZA – EUI Workshop "Demographic Changes and Secular Transitions in Labor Markets", Bonn 2006.
31. Economic Policy, Panel Meeting, Helsinki, 2006 (discussant)
32. CEPR, Annual Public Policy Symposium, Kiel, November 2006.
33. Economic Policy, Panel Meeting, Frankfurt, April 2007 (discussant)
34. Israeli Economic Association Meetings, Maale Hachamisha, 2007
35. CIFAR - Institutions, Organizations and Growth, Tel-Aviv, June 2007
36. Conference in Honor of Joram Mayshar's book "In His Image" 2007 (Discussants: O. Moav, K. Arrow, R. Aumann)
37. "New Challenges in Economic Research" September 2007, Université catholique de Louvain (plenary presentation)
38. Economic Policy, Panel Meeting, Lisbon, October 2007 (discussant)
39. The XIIIth Spring Meeting of Young Economists: SMYE 2008, Lille, April 2008. (Keynote speaker)
40. ESSIM - Annual conference of the International Macro group of the CEPR, Tarragona, May, 2008.
41. Intergenerational Economic Mobility, Edinburgh, June, 2008
42. Economics of Education and Education Policy in Europe; Amsterdam, 24-25 October 2008
43. NBER Summer institute, "Inequality and Growth", Cambridge Massachusetts July, 2009
44. EEA, Barcelona, August 2009, invited session
45. Growth and Innovation Conference, Durham, UK, December, 2009
46. Israeli Economic Association Meetings, Maale Hachamisha, Isreal, June 2010
47. Behavioral Economics, The Yoram Ben-Porath Fund, Jerusalem, June 2010.
48. IDC Workshop, Herzelia, December 2010
49. Royal Economic Society conference, Royal Holloway, April 2011, invited session
50. CEPR Public Policy Symposium, Zurich, May 2011
51. "Towards Sustained Economic Growth: Evidence and Theory" IAE, CREI, Barcelona GSE and CEPR. Barcelona, October, 2011.

Teaching Experience

Hebrew University (1995 -): Intermediate Microeconomics, Introduction to Microeconomics, Introduction to Macroeconomics, Economic Growth

Royal Holloway, University of London (2007 -): Economic Growth, Macroeconomics, Intermediate Microeconomics

MIT (1999 – 2000): Principles of Microeconomics

New Economic School (2003 – 2005): Principles of Microeconomics, Economic Growth

Press:

<http://www.ynetnews.com/articles/0,7340,L-3440567,00.html>
<http://www.taipeitimes.com/News/edit/archives/2003/03/15/198135>
<http://www.sciencedaily.com/releases/2002/12/021206075529.htm>
<http://www.forward.com/issues/2003/03.04.11/otherwords.html>
<http://flysci.com/article.asp?a=112&c=4>
<http://www.betterhumans.com/Errors/index.aspx?aspxerrorpath=/searchEngineLink.article.2002-12-03-2.aspx>
http://www.innovationsreport.de/html/berichte/wirtschaft_finanzen/bericht-14935.html
http://www.findarticles.com/cf_0/m1272/2699_132/106473704/p1/article.jhtml
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<http://news.scotsman.com/international.cfm?id=115432005>
<http://www.iht.com/articles/2005/01/23/business/ibank.html>
http://www.dailytimes.com.pk/default.asp?page=story_9-3-2003_pg3_4
<http://www.gnxp.com/blog/labels/Evolution.php>
http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Life_expectancy

http://www.bbc.co.uk/worldservice/programmes/global_business_w40.shtml
interview on the BBC on the Israeli economy

Popular press/blogs on "the mystery of monogamy"

<http://organizationsandmarkets.com/2008/08/29/something-useful-for-the-weekend/>
<http://mahalanobis.twoday.net/stories/4905435/>
<http://jeffreyeconbiz.blogspot.com/2008/05/mystery-of-monogamy.html>
<http://interestingeconomics.blogspot.com/2008/07/mystery-of-monogamy.html>
<http://www.rickross.com/reference/polygamy/polygamy298.html>
<http://www.rferl.org/content/article/1057238.html>
<http://www.jihadwatch.org/dhimmiwatch/archives/004921.php>
<http://scripturerefinersfire.blogspot.com/2007/09/polygamy-is-for-dummies.html>

http://www.marginalrevolution.com/marginalrevolution/2005/02/whats_wrong_wit.html
http://www.atimes.com/atimes/Central_Asia/GB04Ag01.html
<http://www.unexplained-mysteries.com/forum/index.php?showtopic=32907&st=15>
<http://news.ft.com/cms/s/a8f2fe24-771c-11d9-b897-00000e2511c8.html> (financial times)