

# GURAM LOBZHANIDZE

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Research Interests: Microeconomics; Game Theory; Information Theory;

## EDUCATION

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- 08/2023-ongoing **PhD student in economics (Emory University)**
- 09/2018 – 07/2020 **International School of Economics at Tbilisi State University (ISET)**  
MA in Economics – summa cum laude (valedictorian)  
GPA: 3.91/4.00  
Master's thesis: University-student Matching: Theoretical Analysis
- 09/2016 – 06/2017 **Xiamen University of Technology, Xiamen, China**  
One-year exchange program in business Chinese language
- 09/2013 – 07/2018 **Free University of Tbilisi**  
BA in International Relations  
Concentration: Far Eastern Studies – Chinese Department.  
GPA: 3.96/4.00 (first in the rank)

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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- 07/2020 – present **ISET Policy Institute**  
Junior Researcher – Researcher
- 09/2019 – present **ISET**
- Teaching assistant for MA students in Microeconomics 1, 2, 3 & 5, and in Econometrics 3. Professors: Avner Shaked, Teimuraz Gogsadze, Karine Torosyan
  - Teaching assistant for BA students in Mathematics, Principles of Microeconomics, and Macroeconomics. Professors: Tornike Kadeishvili, Teimuraz Gogsadze, Mariam Kharashvili
- 07/2019 – 08/2019 **National Bank of Georgia**  
Intern at Macroeconomic Policy Research Center
- 01/2018 – 07/2018 **European-Georgian Institute**  
“School of Civic Action” - teacher of economics for the 3rd and 4th year BA students
- 01/2018 – 04/2018 **Cryptoz.ge**  
Blogger – writing daily blogs about blockchain technology and cryptocurrencies
- 10/2017 – 02/2018 **Wingo.ge**  
The main editor – preparing daily quizzes for the website
- 07/2016 **International Chemistry Olympiad**  
Guide of Uruguay National Team
- 01/2015 – 11/2015 **“School of Diplomacy” at Free University of Tbilisi**  
Teacher of economics for high-school students
- 08/2014 – 11/2014 **Factcheck.ge**  
Intern

## PROJECTS, TRAINING AND CONFERENCES

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- CERGE-EI Career Integration Fellow training course (2022)
- Participant of FREE Network Retreat (Warsaw conference in 2022, and the online conference in 2021)
- Participant of Berghof Foundation Project – “History Dialogue in Georgian-Abkhazian Conflict” (10/2021 - present)
- Conducting Training in Gender Impact Assessment for Public Servants of Georgia (06/2021 – 08/2021)

- CERGE-EI Graduate Teaching Fellow training course (2020)
- Member of the Georgian Association of Sinologists (2018 - present)
- Winner of the project - "Students for Self-government" (Organized by the non-governmental organization "Mokalake"). A project, where every team was assigned a municipality in Georgia and the teams were writing a budget plan which was sent to them as a recommendation.(2015)
- The Forum – “Economic Relationships between China and Georgia”. Assistant Speaker of His Excellency, Archil Kalandia (Ambassador of Georgia to the People’s Republic of China). Free University of Tbilisi (2015)

## **LANGUAGES AND OTHER SKILLS**

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- Georgian (Native),
- English (Fluent),
- Russian (Fluent),
- Chinese (Advance. Obtained HSK 5 in 2017 – equivalent to C1)
- French (Intermediate. Obtained DELF B1 in 2016)
  
- Microsoft Office, Stata, R (intermediate), Python (beginner)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

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- Gender Impact Assessment of the Legal Framework about the Matrimonial Property as Joint Ownership of the Spouses (ISET Policy Institute & UN Women – projected to be published by the end of 2022)
- Gender Impact Assessment of the Programmes: Vocational Education Support and Self-Employment Support Grant Programmes for IDPs and Ecomigrants (ISET Policy Institute & UN Women – 2022)
- Assessment of Models for the Implementation of Equal Pay Review and Reporting (EPRR) Methodology in Georgia (ISET Policy Institute & UN Women – 2021)
- "Universal Basic Income - Experiments Abroad and Perspectives in Georgia" - Co-author, main editor. (School of Civic Action - 2018)
- "Economic Development Plan of Georgia - 2020" - main editor (School of Civic Action - 2018)

## **OTHER HONORS AND AWARDS**

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- First place at Unified National Entrance Exams for Master’s Level Studies (2018)
- Certificate of Merit at the International Biology Olympiad in Singapore (2012)
- 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in National Geography Olympiad (2009, 2011, 2012)
- 2nd place in National Biology Olympiad (2012)
- Multiple times top ten finish in National Geography, Biology, Chemistry, History, and Mathematics Olympiads (2009-2013)

## **REFERENCES**

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- Randall K. Filer. Professor of Economics, the Graduate Center of the City University of New York. [rfile@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:rfile@hunter.cuny.edu)
- Daniel Levy. Professor, William Gittes Chair, Bar-Ilan University. [Daniel.Levy@biu.ac.il](mailto:Daniel.Levy@biu.ac.il)
- Tornike Kadeishvili. Doctor of Sciences, Professor of Mathematics, ISET. Chairman of Scientific Council of Razmadze Mathematical Institute of Tbilisi State University. Head of the Department of Geometry and Topology. [t.kadeishvili@iset.ge](mailto:t.kadeishvili@iset.ge)
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