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EDUCATION

American University, Department of Public Administration & Policy July 2026 - present
Postdoctoral fellow

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics Aug 2020 - May 2026
Washington State University, Pullman, WA.

M.S., Applied Economics 2018 - 2020
University of Idaho, Moscow, ID.

B.S., Chemical Engineering 2012 - 2016
American University of Sharjah, Sharjah, UAE.

RESEARCH INTERESTS:

Health Economics, Applied Econometrics, Food Economics, and Consumer Economics.

JOURNAL ARTICLES:

Awad, Koroles, and Jill J. McCluskey. 2024. "Marriage Equality and the Transnational Flow of Skilled Labor: The Impact of Same-Sex Marriage Legalization in the United States on the Inflow of Skilled Labor." *AEA Papers and Proceedings*, 114: 265–69.

Awad, Koroles, Alexander Maas, and Chloe Wardropper. "Preferences for alternative water supplies in the Pacific Northwest: A discrete choice experiment." *Journal of Water Resources Planning and Management* 147.4 (2021): 04021007.

WORKING PAPERS:

Ultra-processed Food Demand across the Lifecycle: Implications for Obesity in the United States. (with Mariah Ehmke, Jill J. McCluskey, and Abigail Okrent)

The effects of GLP-1 prescription and awareness on consumers' food choices. (with Mariah Ehmke, Jill J. McCluskey, and Abigail Okrent)

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS:

Koroles Awad, and Jill J. McCluskey. 2023. "Marriage Equality and the Transnational Flow of Skilled Labor: The Impact of Same-Sex Marriage Legalization in the United States on the Inflow of Skilled Labor." *ASSA Annual Meeting – American Economic Association, Selected Paper Session*. San Antonio, TX.

Awad, Koroles, Mariah Ehmke, Jill J. McCluskey, and Abigail Okrent, 2024, "Ultra-processed Food Demand across the Lifecycle: Implications for Obesity in the United States." *Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting, Selected Paper Session*. New Orleans, LA.

Awad, Koroles, Mariah Ehmke, Jill J. McCluskey, and Abigail Okrent, 2024, "The Aging Dynamics of Ultra-processed food demand in the United States." Western Economic Association International Annual Meeting, Selected Paper Session. Seattle, WA. TX.

Awad, Koroles, Mariah Ehmke, Jill J. McCluskey, and Abigail Okrent, 2024, "Ultra-processed Food Demand and its Causal Effect on Obesity in the US" Western Agricultural Economics Association, Selected Paper Session. San Francisco, CA.

Awad, Koroles, Mariah Ehmke, Jill J. McCluskey, and Abigail Okrent, 2025, "Weight-loss Drugs not Shedding Away Demand for Ultra-processed Food: The Effects of GLP-1 on Food Demand." Agricultural and Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting, Selected Paper Session. Denver, CO.

Awad, Koroles, Mariah Ehmke, Jill J. McCluskey, and Abigail Okrent, 2026, "Weight-loss Drugs Shedding Away Demand for Ultra-processed Foods", ASSA Annual Meeting – American Economic Association, Selected Paper Session. Philadelphia, PA.

TEACHING:

Sole Instructor of Record - Washington State University

Advanced Food Economics and Marketing (EconS 451)	Spring 2022, Spring 2023
Advanced Business Management Economics (EconS 452)	Fall 2022, Fall 2023
Economics of Sports in America (EconS 321)	Summer 2023
Fundamentals of Microeconomics (EconS 101)	Summer 2022

UNIVERSITY INVOLVEMENT:

Office of the President Commission for Gender Identity/Expression and Sexual Orientation (GIESO)	
Communication officer	2023
Community building officer	2023-present
The Graduate and Professional Student Association (GPSA)	
Senator for the School of Economic Sciences	2022-2024
Programming Committee member	2022-2024

SCHOLARSHIPS:

Washington State University

Ernest W Stromsdorfer scholarship	2023
Ernest W Stromsdorfer scholarship	2024
GPSA Research Exposition - Poster Presentation scholarship	2024

SOFTWARE SKILLS:

R, Stata, Python, Matlab.

LANGUAGE SKILLS:

English - Bilingual Proficiency.	Arabic - Native Proficiency
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REFERENCES:

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