

# SHAKEEL GAVIOLI-AKILAGUN

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## ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

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2023 -    **Fellow in Statistics**  
*London School of Economics*  
Teaching postgraduate courses on distributed computing, data management, and graph representation learning. Carrying out research on change point analysis and shape constrained estimation, currently under the guidance of Dr. Yin-ing Chen.

## EDUCATION

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2019-23    **PhD in Statistics**  
*London School of Economics (viva on March 18)*  
Thesis: On Inference and Causality in Change Point Regressions

2018-19    **MSc in Statistics by Research**  
*London School of Economics (Distinction)*  
Thesis: Screening High Dimensional Time Series via Tilting

2014-17    **BSc in Economics and Econometrics**  
*University of York (First Class)*

2015-16    **Economics and Statistics**  
*University of Hong Kong (exchange year)*

## PUBLICATIONS & PRE-PRINTS

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Fast and Optimal Inference for Change Points in Piecewise Polynomials via Differencing (with P. Fryzlewicz) *In submission*, 2023

Invited discussion of “Automatic Change-Point Detection in Time Series via Deep Learning” by Li, Fearnhead, Fryzlewicz, and Wang, *Journal of the Royal Statistical Society Series B: Statistical Methodology*, 2023

Robust Inference for Change Points in Piecewise Polynomials using Confidence Sets (with P. Fryzlewicz) *Manuscript upon request*, 2022

Recovering Causal Structures in Change Point Regressions via Hawkes Process Representation (with P. Fryzlewicz) *Manuscript in preparation*, 2023

## SEMINARS & CONFERENCES

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- 2024 Spring HiTEc meeting on Complex Data in Econometrics and Statistics, Cyprus (invited)
- 2023 16th International Conference on Computational and Methodological Statistics, Berlin (invited); 6th International Conference on Econometrics and Statistics, Tokyo (invited, declined) , Charles University Advanced Statistics Seminars, Prague (invited); Paris-Saclay Change-Point Workshop, Paris (invited)
- 2022 StatScale Early Careers Researchers Meeting, Brighton (invited), American Statistical Association Joint Statistical Meetings, Washington DC (contributed); International Conference on Robust Statistics, University of Waterloo (contributed, with travel award); Institute of Mathematical Statistics Annual Meeting, London (contributed)
- 2021 14th Conference on Computational and Methodological Statistics, London (contributed)

## TEACHING

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### CURRENT TEACHING

- ST445: Managing and Visualising Data
- ST446: Distributed Computing for Big Data
- ST457: Graph Data Analytics and Representation Learning

### PAST TEACHING

- ST304: Time Series and Forecasting (2019, 2020, 2021)
- ST310: Machine Learning (2020, 2021)
- ST226: Actuarial Investigations, Financial (2022, 2023)
- ST227: Survival Models (2022, 2023)

### MENTORING

- Departmental mentor to undergraduate Statistics students (2024)
- Undergraduate Statistics Practitioner’s Challenge (2019, 2020, 2024)
- MSc Dissertations Quantitative Methods Advisor (2019)

## INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

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- 2019     **Data Science Intern**  
*Competition and Markets Authority*
- 2018     **Summer Research Scholar**  
*York Cross-disciplinary Centre for Systems Analysis*
- 2018     **Economics Intern**  
*Competition and Markets Authority*
- 2017     **Policy Research Intern**  
*Center for the Study of Democracy*
- 2016     **Statistical Research Intern**  
*Institute for Integrated Development Studies*

## SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

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### ACADEMIC AWARDS

- 2023     **Postgraduate Travel Award**  
*London School of Economics*
- 2022     **Travel Award, International Conference on Robust Statistics**  
*University of Waterloo*
- 2018     **ESRC Studentship, MSc & PhD (1+3) pathway**  
*London School of Economics*
- 2016     **Achieving Excellence Bursary**  
*University of York*
- 2017     **National Scholarship Program at York**  
*University of York*

### TEACHING AWARDS

- 2023     **Class Teacher Award**  
*London School of Economics*  
'Highly Commended' for teaching in ST304 seminars.
- 2021     **Class Teacher Award**  
*London School of Economics*  
'Highly Commended' for teaching in ST304 seminars.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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### JOURNAL REVIEWS

Computational Statistics and Data Analysis, Journal of Business and Economic Statistics, IEE Transactions on Information Theory

### TECHNICAL SKILL

Programming languages: R, Python, Spark, C++

Markup languages:  $\text{\LaTeX}$ , HTML + CSS

Human languages: English (native), Italian (native), French (conversational)

### EXTRA CURRICULARS

I help organize a lively discussion group for PhD students in the Statistics department at the London School of Economics; see [here](#). I am also an active member of Mwangaza, the Black PhD student network at my university; see [here](#).