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Education

Ph.D., Economics

Harvard University (beginning 2022)

B.S., Computational and Applied Math and B.A., Economics (with honors)

The University of Chicago (2016-2020)

Research Positions

Predoctoral Fellow, David Yang (2020–ongoing)

Research Assistant, Leonardo Bursztyn (2018–2020)

Research

Working Papers

“AI-tocracy” with Martin Beraja, David Yang, and Noam Yuchtman

Works in Progress

“Seeing is Believing: Identity, Inequality, and the Impact of Television on the Hispanic Achievement Gap”

“The Unintended Consequences of Changing Social Norms” with George Beknazar-Yuzbashev

Affiliations

Harvard Kennedy School Evidence for Policy Design, Research Fellow

Honors, Awards, & Fellowships

AEFP Roe L. Johns Grant (2022)

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program (2021 and 2022)

Bachelor's degree summa cum laude (2020)
Trott Business Program (2017-2020)
Venture Capital Investment Competition, National Finalist (2017)
Dean's List (2016-2020)

Seminars, Colloquia, and Conferences

AEFP (2022), ASSA* (2022), NBER Privacy* (2022)
NBER Development/BREAD Program Meeting*, NBER Political Economy Program Meeting* (2021)

* presented by coauthor

Policy Articles

“Autocratic AI dystopias: From science fiction to social science fact” with Martin Beraja, David Yang, and Noam Yuchtman. VoxEU column (December 2021)

Other Experience

UChicago Oeconomica (undergraduate research organization), Treasurer (2019-2020) and Existential Risk Cohort Leader (2018-2019)
UChicago Writer's Workshop, Vice President (2019-2020) and Workshop Leader (2017-2020)
Teach For Hong Kong, Program Development Intern (2018)
Telligent Capital Management, Research Intern (2017)
Rich Sea LLC, Private Equity Intern (2017)
UChicago Effective Altruists, Co-President (2017-2020)