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## Education

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

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship Program (2021)  
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**

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)