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## **CURRENT POSITION**

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Boston University, July 2013–Present

## **AFFILIATIONS**

Junior Affiliate, Bureau for Research and Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD), 2015–Present  
Member, Urban Services Initiative, Jameel Poverty Action Lab (JPAL), 2014–Present  
Junior Faculty Fellow, Hariri Institute for Computing, Boston University, 2014–Present  
Faculty Affiliate, Institute for Economic Development, Boston University, 2013–Present

## **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Economics, University of California, San Diego, 2008–2013  
M.A., Economics, University of California, San Diego, 2009  
B.A., *magna cum laude*, University of Southern California, 2001–2005

## **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Development, Growth, Labor

## **JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS**

“It’s All in the Timing: Cash Transfers and Consumption Smoothing in a Developing Country,” *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, November 2015, with Sudarno Sumarto and Asep Suryahadi

“Economic Shocks and Conflict: Evidence from Commodity Prices,” *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, October 2014 (Lead Article), with Christopher Blattman.

“Blunt Instruments: Avoiding Common Pitfalls in Identifying the Causes of Economic Growth,” *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, April 2013, with Michael Clemens.

“Counting Chickens When They Hatch: Timing and the Effects of Aid on Growth,” *The Economic Journal*, June 2012, with Rikhil Bhavnani, Michael Clemens, and Steven Radelet.

## **WORKING PAPERS**

“Skill Transferability, Migration, and Development: Evidence from Population Resettlement in Indonesia,” with Arya Gaduh, Alexander Rothenberg, and Maisy Wong  
Revised & Resubmitted at the *American Economic Review*

“Wealth Heterogeneity and the Income Elasticity of Migration”

“Local Government Proliferation, Diversity, and Conflict,” with Matthew Gudgeon

“Finding the Poor vs. Measuring Their Poverty: Exploring the Drivers of Targeting Effectiveness in Indonesia,” with Adama Bah, Julia Tobias, and Sudarno Sumarto

## SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS

“Quality Revelation in Intermediary Markets: Evidence from an Information Intervention for International Migrants,” with Lisa Cameron, Simone Schaner, and Firman Witoelar

“Ethnic Diversity and Nation-Building: Evidence from Population Resettlement in Indonesia,” with Arya Gaduh, Alexander Rothenberg, and Maisy Wong

“Islamic Institutions, Elites, and Structural Change: Evidence from Indonesia,” with Gabriel Koehler-Derrick and Benjamin Marx

“Estimating Productivity Spillovers Using the Structure of Production Networks: Evidence from Indonesia,” with Amalavoyal Chari, Shanthi Nataraj, and Alexander D. Rothenberg

“Labor Reallocation in Response to Trade Reform,” with Naércio Aquino Menezes-Filho and Marc-Andreas Muendler

“Labor Productivity and Wage Inequality” with Hartmut Egger, Michael Koch, and Marc-Andreas Muendler

“Firm Entry Barriers, Growth Constraints, and Job Creation: Evidence from Credit Supply Shocks in Brazil,” with Sergio Mikio Koyama, Marc-Andreas Muendler and James Rauch

## OTHER RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

“Incidence and Predictors of HIV and Sexually Transmitted Infections among Female Sex Workers and Their Intimate Male Partners in Northern Mexico: A Longitudinal, Multilevel Study,” *American Journal of Epidemiology*, March 2015, with Angela R. Bazzi, Gudelia Rangel, Gustavo Martinez, Monica D. Ulibarri, Jennifer L. Syvertsen, Scott Roesch, Heather A. Pines, Steffanie A. Strathdee.

“Response to Roodman: ‘Comment on Counting Chickens When They Hatch’,” *Public Finance Review*, March 2015, with Rikhil Bhavnani.

“Indonesia’s Social Protection During and After the Crisis,” with Sudarno Sumarto and Asep Suryahadi, in *Social Protection for the Poor and the Poorest: Concepts, Policies and Politics*, Armando Barrientos and David Hulme (eds.), London: Palgrave, 2008.

## INVITED SEMINARS

**2015–2016:** Columbia University, Dartmouth College, Harvard University, University of Arkansas, Yale University

**2014–2015:** Amherst College, Brown University, College of William & Mary, Cornell University, International Food Policy Research Institute, Northwestern University, World Bank Research Group

**2013–2014:** Harvard/MIT (Development), Tufts University, University of Michigan

**2012–2013:** Berkeley (ARE), Boston University, Carnegie Mellon (Heinz), Cornell, Dartmouth, Georgetown (SFS), MIT (Sloan), Penn State, UPenn (Wharton), World Bank Research Group, Yale (SoM)

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

**2016:** PacDev (Stanford), NBER Economics of National Security Meeting

**2015:** NEUDC (Brown)

**2014:** NBER Development Fall Meeting, Stanford SITE (Development Economics), Economic Demography Workshop (PAA), Seventh International Conference on Migration and Development, Barcelona GSE Summer Forum (Migration)

**2013:** CEMIR/CESifo Workshop on Migration, Midwest International Economic Development Conference

(UW-Madison)

**2012:** BREAD/Minneapolis Fed Conference on Finance and Development, Empirical Investigations in International Trade (UC-Santa Cruz), All California Labor Conference, EconCon (Princeton), Singapore Conference on the Use of Administrative Data for Public Policy Evaluation, Fifth International Conference on Migration and Development, Pacific Development Conference (UC-Davis), Western Economic Association

**2010:** Pacific Development Conference (USC)

## INVITED LECTURES

**2014:** "Commodity Price Shocks and Conflict", International Agricultural Trade Research Consortium Annual Meeting, San Diego

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

**Referee:** *American Economic Review*, *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, *American Economic Journal: Applied*, *Econometrica*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Economic Journal*, *Economica*, *International Migration Review*, *Journal of African Economies*, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Development Studies*, *Journal of Economic Geography*, *Journal of Economic Growth*, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, *Journal of International Economics*, *Journal of Labor Economics*, *Journal of Peace Research*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, *World Bank Economic Review*, *World Development*

**Grant Review:** International Initiative for Impact Evaluation (3ie); Private Enterprise Development in Low Income Countries (PEDL/CEPR); Social Science and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC)

**Textbook Review:** M.E. Sharpe, Inc.

**Discussant:** NEDUC (Brown, 2015); NBER Summer Institute ENS (2015); AEA Meeting (Boston, 2015); Seventh International Conference on Migration and Development (Oxford, 2014); Midwest International Economic Development Conference (UW-Madison, 2013)

**Conference Organizer:** BREAD/NBER Pre-Conference Workshop for Junior Faculty (Fall 2015); Northeast Universities Development Conference (Boston University, 2014)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2014–2015	Boston University: Economics of Developing Countries (Undergraduate), Topics in Development Economics (Ph.D.), Interdisciplinary Development Capstone (Masters)
2012	Instructor, Impact Evaluation Training Institutes: CEGA (Nairobi), JPAL (Mexico City)
2008–2012	Teaching Assistant, UC San Diego: International Economics, Human Resources, Introductory Macroeconomics, Globalization, Economics of Immigration

## HONORS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

2015–2016	PEDL/CEPR Special Exploratory Research Grant
2015–2016	Upjohn Institute Early Career Research Award
2015–2016	Weiss Program Family Fund Research Grants
2015–2017	J-PAL Southeast Asia and DFAT Grant
2014	PEDL/CEPR Exploratory Research Grant
2013	J-PAL Southeast Asia IRF Grant
2013	Royal Economic Society Prize, Best Paper Published in <i>The Economic Journal</i> in 2012
2012	Best Graduate Student Paper, FREIT–Empirical Investigations in International Trade
2011	Walter P. Heller Memorial Award for Outstanding Third-Year Paper, UCSD
2011	Clive Granger Research Fellowship Award, UCSD

2010–2012	Pre-doctoral Fellowship, Center on Pacific Economies, UCSD
2005–2006	Luce Scholars Fellowship
2005	Order of the Laurel & the Palm, USC
2004	Boren Scholarship, National Security Education Program
2001–2005	Resident Honors Program (attended university one year early), USC