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EDUCATION

University of Chicago — Chicago, IL
PhD in Public Policy (Fields: Labor Economics and Econometrics) — *2019 – 2024*
Dissertation Committee: Anjali Adukia (chair), Marianne Bertrand, Michael Dinerstein, Steven Durlauf

University of Wisconsin Oshkosh — Oshkosh, WI
Bachelor of Business Administration in Economics and Marketing — *2015 – 2018*
Minors in Math and Statistics

University of Wisconsin Manitowoc — Manitowoc, WI
Associate of Arts and Science — *2013 - 2015*

REFERENCES

Anjali Adukia — University of Chicago
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Marianne Bertrand — University of Chicago
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Steven Durlauf — University of Chicago
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Alex Eble — Columbia University
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EMPLOYMENT

Harris School of Public Policy Inclusive Economy Lab — University of Chicago
Postdoctoral Scholar — *2024 – Present*
Predoctoral Fellow — *2021 – 2024*

MiiE Research Lab — University of Chicago
Principal Investigator — *2024 – Present*
Junior Investigator — *2019 – 2024*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest Lecturer — University of Chicago
Education, Inequality, and Economic Development — *Winter 2024*

Teaching Assistant — University of Chicago
Applied Econometrics (PhD Course) — *Winter 2020, Winter 2021, Winter 2022, Winter 2023*
Quantitative Methods in Public Policy (Head TA) — *Winter 2021, Winter 2022*
Education and Economic Development — *Winter 2022*
Advanced Microeconomics for Public Policy (PhD Course) — *Fall 2019*
Math Camp for Incoming Harris Graduate Students — *Summer 2019*

Publications

"What We Teach about Race and Gender: Representation in Images & Text of Children's Books"
(August 2023, Quarterly Journal of Economics)
with A. Adukia, A. Eble, H.B. Runesha, T. Szasz

"Tales and Tropes: Gender Roles from Word Embeddings in a Century of Children's Books"
(October 2022, Proceedings of the 28th International Conference on Computational Linguistics (COLING))
with A. Adukia, P. Chiril, C. Christ, A. Das, A. Eble, H.B. Runesha

"Measuring Representation of Race, Gender, and Age in Children's Books: Face Detection and Feature Classification in Illustrated Images"
(January 2022, Proceedings of the IEEE/CVF Winter Conference on Applications of Computer Vision)
with T. Szasz, P. Lin, P. Liu, H.B. Runesha, and A. Adukia

Working Papers

"Impact of Free Community College: Evidence from Chicago" *with K. Hallberg*

"Separation of Church and State Curricula? Examining Public and Religious Private School Textbooks"
with A. Adukia

Other Writing

"What Award-winning Children's Books Teach Children About Race and Gender" (June 2023, Brookings Institution – Brown Center Chalkboard) *with A. Adukia, A. Eble*

"Redesigning Developmental Education Placement Policies: A Case Study of City Colleges of Chicago's Approach" (May 2023) *with K. Hallberg, S. Stapleton, K. Moragne-Patterson*

Service

Inaugural Co-Chair of **First Generation Education Scholars** *AEFP Community Group*	*2021 – 2023*
Co-Coordinator of the **UChicago Committee on Education** *Workshop*	*2021 – 2022*

Journal Refereeing

Quarterly Journal of Economics
American Economic Journal: Economic Policy
American Educational Research Journal
Information Processing and Management

Presentations

Association for Education Finance and Policy (AEFP)	*2021, 2023, 2025*
Atlanta Workshop on Public Policy and Child Well-Being	*2025*
Becker Friedman AI in Social Science Conference	*2024*
CESifo / ifo Junior Workshop on the Economics of Education	*2024*
American Educational Research Association (AERA)	*2024*
Association of Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM)	*2023*
Zurich Workshop in AI+Economics	*2023*
Hoover Institution Workshop on Using Text as Data in Policy Analysis	*2023*
Carnegie Melon Heinz College of Information Systems and Public Policy Faculty Seminar	*2023*
UChicago Committee on Education Workshop	*2023*

Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness (SREE)	*2021, 2023*
Research Computing Expo and Symposium Mind Bytes	*2019, 2023*
NBER Economics of Culture and Institutions Meetings	*2022*
Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA)	*2022*
NBER Education Meetings	*2021*

Awards

Finalist for Women in AI Awards North America (AI for Good - ESG AI Leader of the Year)	*2023*
UChicago Research Computing Expo and Symposium MindBytes Data Visualization Award	*2023*

Grants/Fellowships

Laura and John Arnold Foundation (Co-PI) - $200,000	*2025*
National Academy of Education/Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellow - $27,500	*2023*
Becker Friedman Institute Political Economics Initiative Grant - $2,000	*2023*
Becker Friedman Institute Development Economics Center Grant - $40,000	*2022*
Becker Friedman Institute Initiative for the Study of Gender in the Economy - $20,000	*2022*
Becker Friedman Institute Political Economics Initiative Grant - $7,000	*2022*
Doctoral Fellow at the UChicago Center for Data and Computing - $2,000	*2019*