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## APPOINTMENTS

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2021-present	Assistant Research Professor	Center for Data Science for Enterprise and Society, Cornell University
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## EDUCATION

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2021	Agricultural and Resource Economics, UC Davis	PhD
2014	Economics CUNY Hunter College	BA/MA
2014	Philosophy CUNY Hunter College	BA

## PUBLICATIONS

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Tabetando, Rayner, Djomo Choumbou Raoul Fani, Catherine Ragasa, and Aleksandr Michuda. “Land market responses to weather shocks: evidence from rural Uganda and Kenya.” *European Review of Agricultural Economics* 50, no. 3 (2023): 954-977.

Vosti, Stephen A., Katherine P. Adams, Aleksandr Michuda, Karen Ortiz-Becerra, Hanqi Luo, Demewoz Haile, Victoria B. Chou et al. “Impacts of micronutrient intervention programs on effective coverage and lives saved: Modeled evidence from Cameroon.” *Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences* 1519, no. 1 (2023): 199-210.

Gupta, Anubhab, Heng Zhu, Miki Khanh Doan, Aleksandr Michuda, and Binoy Majumder. “Economic impacts of the COVID-19 lockdown in a remittance-dependent region.” *American Journal of Agricultural Economics* 103, no. 2 (2021): 466-485.

Michuda, Aleksandr, Rachael E. Goodhue, Mark Hoffmann, and Steven A. Fennimore. “Predicting Net Returns of Organic and Conventional Strawberry Following Soil Disinfestation with Steam or Steam Plus Additives.” *Agronomy* 11, no. 1 (2021): 149.

Michuda, Aleksandr, Rachael Goodhue, Karen Klonsky, Graeme Baird, Lucinda Toyama, Margherita Zavatta, Joji Muramoto, and Carol Shennan. “The economic viability of suppressive crop rotations for the control of verticillium wilt in organic strawberry production.” *Agroecology and Sustainable Food Systems* 43, no. 9 (2019): 984-1008.

Cabanillas, Oscar Barriga, Jeffrey D. Michler, Aleksandr Michuda, and Emilia Tjernström. “Fitting and interpreting correlated random-coefficient models using Stata.” *Stata Journal* 18, no. 1 (2018): 159-173.

## WORKING PAPERS

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Bird, Samuel S.; Michuda, Aleksandr. “Ethnicity and voting at scale: Evidence from Uganda.” (2023) *Submitted*

Tjernström, Emilia, Dalia Ghanem, Oscar Barriga Cabanillas, Travis J. Lybbert, Jeffrey D. Michler, and Aleksandr Michuda. “A Group Random Coefficient Approach to Modeling Heterogeneous Returns to Technology Adoption.” (2023) *Revise and Resubmit, Econometrica*

Michuda, Aleksandr. “Rural-Urban Risk Sharing Networks: Uber Driver Labor Supply Responses To Shocks In Uganda.” (2023)

Michuda, Aleksandr, Cristina Chiarella, Oscar Barriga-Cabanillas, and Juan Sebastian Correa. “Genetic Dilution erodes productivity: Exploring farmers’ low adoption levels of improved maize in Ethiopia.” (2022)

Doan, Miki Khanh, Aleksandr Michuda, Heng Zhu, Anubhab Gupta, and Binoy Majumder. “Livelihood Strategies in a Climate-change Vulnerable Region.” (2022)

Michuda, Aleksandr, and Michael Kevane. “Classification into ethnic groups in Burkina Faso using names and localities.” (2022)

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

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Chris Barrett, Aleksandr Michuda, David Newhouse, Elizabeth Tennant, and Joanna Upton. “Using Data Fusion to Improve Human Capital Indicators”

Aleksandr Michuda, Abhilasha Sahay, Nivedhitha Subramanian. “H-1B Policy and Women’s Labor Force Participation: A study of the Indian Marriage Market”

Aleksandr Michuda. “Revisiting Urban Migrants’ Responses to Rural Weather Shocks.”

Aleksandr Michuda. “Rideshare Platforms with Savings Mechanisms: Implications for Urban Household Welfare.”

Brennan Antone and Aleksandr Michuda. “Transactive Memory Systems in Boda-boda Networks.”

Aleksandr Michuda and Alfredo Torrico. “The Boda Driver Adoption Decision: Centrally Planned Stages or Decentralized Matching?”

Isaac Ahimbisibwe and Aleksandr Michuda. “Ugandan Surname Prediction Validation”

Karen Ortiz-Becerra, Adriana Molina Garzon and Aleksandr Michuda. “UAVs and Emergency Medical Supply Chains.”

## BOOK CHAPTERS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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Carter, Michael R., and Aleksandr Michuda. “The Distribution of Productive Assets and the Economics of Rural Development and Poverty Reduction.” In *The Palgrave Handbook of Development Economics*, pp. 377-408. Palgrave Macmillan, Cham, 2019.

Michuda, Aleksandr, Rachael Goodhue, Joji Muramoto, and Carol Shennan. “Crop Rotations Can Increase Net Returns in Organic Strawberry and Vegetable Production Systems.” *ARE Update* 20(6)(2017): 5-8. University of California Giannini Foundation of Agricultural Economics.

Michuda, A., Ortiz-Becerra, K., Adams, K., Jarvis, M., Somda, H., Arnold, C., ... & Vosti, S. (2022). minimod: An Open Source Python Package to Evaluate the Cost Effectiveness of Micronutrient Intervention Programs. *Current Developments in Nutrition*, 6(Supplement\_1), 776-776.

## EDITORSHIPS

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2023 Special Issue Guest Editor  
*Reinforcing Reproducibility And Replicability*

Harvard Data Science Review 5.3

## PEER REVIEW

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*Journal of Agricultural and Food Economics; American Journal of Agricultural Economics; Socio-Economic Planning Sciences; Food Policy; The Journal of African Economies*

## TEACHING

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Fall 2023	Empirical Methods for Applied Economists	Instructor	Cornell University
Summer 2019	Undergraduate Econometrics	Instructor	UC Davis
Fall 2018	Microeconomics	TA	UC Davis

## SERVICE

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Summer 2023 - Present	GAIN Mentor
Fall 2022 - Present	Mentor for STAAARS+
Fall 2017 - Present	BITSS Catalyst Grant
2017	Graduate Student Association President

## LANGUAGES AND SKILLS

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English: Fluent

Russian: Fluent

Ukrainian: Conversational

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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Python, R, Stata, GitHub, Bash, GAMS

## PAST EXPERIENCE

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July 2023 - August 2023	Breakthrough Tech AI	Faculty Lead Mentor	Summer 2024 - Machine Learning Foundations
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April 2023 - Present	World Bank Corporation	Short-Term Consultant	Using Data Fusion to Improve Human Capital Indicators
January 2020 - July 2022	UC Davis	Consultant	MINIMOD - Optimal Nutritional Interventions across Space and Time
September 2019 - December 2019	Uber Inc.	Data Science Intern	Pricing and Demand
July 2016 - September 2019	UC Davis	Research Assistant	Disease Suppressive Crop Rotations

## CONFERENCES/PRESENTATIONS

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NEUDC 2022	Genetic Dilution erodes productivity: Exploring farmers' low adoption levels of improved maize in Ethiopia
PACDEV 2022	Urban Labor Supply Responses to Rural Drought Shocks on Rideshare Platforms.
NEUDC 2021	Urban Labor Supply Responses to Rural Drought Shocks on Rideshare Platforms.
BITSS RT2 2020	Dynamic Documents with Jupyter Notebooks
AAEA 2019	Evaluating a Systems Approach to Suppressive Crop Rotations in Strawberry Production
AAEA 2018	Political Contributions and the Case of South African Land Reform
AAEA 2017	The Economic Viability of Suppressive Crop Rotations in Organic Strawberry Production
EEA 2014	Empirically Estimating the Impact of Weather on Agriculture
CUNY's	The Russian Mir and Agrarian Transition
UGRC 2013	Large Frontiers and Coercion: An Economic Perspective

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

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Spring 2024	Einaudi Center Faculty Seed Grant
Summer 2023	The Welfare Effects of UAV Healthcare Delivery on the Migration Decision Azure Cloud Computing Grant
Summer 2022	H-1B Policy and Women's Labor Force Participation: A study of the Indian Marriage Market NSF OSP: 142678
Summer 2022	Conference on Reproducibility and Replicability in Economics and Social Sciences (CRRESS) Dyson AEP Faculty Seed Grant
Spring 2022	The Surname-Ethnicity Connection: A Validation Exercise Dyson AEP Faculty Seed Grant
Winter 2021	Climate induced soil salinity impacts on agricultural productivity and livelihood diversification in the Sundarbans, India (CGIAR) SPIA small grant for agricultural innovations in Ethiopia

Fall 2014 -  
Spring 2016  
Spring 2017

Steindler Fellowship  
Henry A. Jastro Grant