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Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic & Social Research

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

<b>University of Melbourne</b> <b>Melbourne Institute: Applied Economic &amp; Social Research</b> Research Fellow (Level B)	<i>2019 - now</i>
<b>University of California, Los Angeles</b> Lecturer	<i>2018 - 2019</i>

## EDUCATION

<b>University of California, Los Angeles</b> Ph.D. Political Science M.S. Statistic	<i>2012 - 2018</i>
<b>New Economic School, Moscow</b> M.A. Economics	<i>2010 - 2012</i>
<b>Novosibirsk State University</b> M.S. Physics B.S. Physics	<i>2003 - 2009</i>

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Applied Microeconomics, Public Economics, Political Economy, Data Science

## PUBLISHED ARTICLES

- Identity and Conflict: Evidence from Tuareg Rebellion in Mali (with Dr. Michael Poyker). **World Development**, Volume 161, January 2023 ([Link](#))
- Political economy of cross-border income shifting: A protection racket approach. **Journal of Comparative Economics**, Volume 50, Issue 4, November 2022 ([Link](#))
- Do Dictators Signal Strength with Electoral Fraud? (with Dr. Michael Poyker), **European Journal of Political Economy**, February 2022 ([Link](#))
- Christian Missions and Anti-Gay Attitudes in Africa (with Dr. Michael Poyker), **Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization**, Volume 184, April 2021, Pages 359-374 ([Link](#))
- The Safest Time To Fly: Pandemic Response in the Era of Fox News (with Dr. Michael Poyker and Dr. Yuan Tian), **Journal of Population Economics**, Volume 34, April 2021, Pages 775-802 ([Link](#))
- Effect of Income on Trust: Evidence from the 2009 Crisis in Russia (with Prof. Sergei Guriev), **The Economic Journal**, Volume 129, Issue 619, April 2019, Pages 1082–1118 ([Link](#))

## WORKING PAPERS

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Media Ownership and Ideological Slant: Evidence from Australian Newspaper Mergers (with A/Prof. Ekaterina Volkova)

Prisons and Homophobia (with Dr. Michael Poyker) ([Link](#))

Household insurance and financial stress: do households maintain coverage on their most important assets? (with Dr. Antonia Settle) ([Link](#))

Absorbing shocks by accumulating risk: Do financially stressed households take on underinsurance risk to manage liquidity constraint? (with Dr. Antonia Settle) ([Link](#))

The causal effect of pet ownership on health and well-being (with Dr. Ferdi Botha, Dr. Natalia Lamberova, and Dr. Kyle Peyton)

## ENGAGED PROJECTS AND TRAINING COURSES FOR ANALYSTS

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Foundation Fellow Training Program (2020-2023, The Melbourne Institute, with Dr. Rajeev Samarage)

Impact Evaluation with Synthetic Control Modelling (2023, The Paul Ramsay Foundation)

Understanding and analysing financial stress, financial wellbeing & financial capability in the Australian HILDA with R (2021, Australian Securities and Investment Commission, with Dr. Ferdi Botha and Prof. John de New)

Evaluation of Place-Based Initiatives with Synthetic Control Method (2023 - 2025, The Paul Ramsay Foundation)

## POLICY REPORTS

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Prevalence of, and Recovery from, Negative Earnings Shocks: Evidence from Three Decades of Longitudinal Tax Data (with Prof. Abigail Payne, Dr. Roger Wilkins, and Dr. Federico Zilio), 2023, ([Breaking Down Barriers report series](#)) (*Funder: The Paul Ramsay Foundation*)

Individual Earnings Changes and the Business Cycle (with Prof. Abigail Payne, Dr. Roger Wilkins, and Dr. Federico Zilio), 2023, ([Breaking Down Barriers report series](#)) (*Funder: The Paul Ramsay Foundation*)

Measuring Individual Poverty: Correlates and Variation Over Time (with Prof. Abigail Payne and Dr. Rajeev Samarage), 2020 ([Breaking Down Barriers report series](#)) (*Funder: The Paul Ramsay Foundation*)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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University of California, Los Angeles  
Introduction to Data Analysis

2017-2019

## RESEARCH FUNDING

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University of Melbourne Early Career Researcher Grant, 2022 (24,408 AUD)

University of Melbourne Covid-19 Recovery Grant, 2021 (5,000 AUD)

Institute for Humane Studies Ph.D. Fellowship, 2017

Columbia University Harriman Institute Award, 2017

UCLA Center for Global Management Global Research Graduate Award, 2013-2014

## RECENT CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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Australian Conference of Economists, 2023  
Annual Congress of International Institute of Public Finance, 2022  
8th Australasian Cliometrics Workshop, 2021  
International Health Economics Association World Congress, 2021  
7th Annual Workshop on Natural Experiments in History: Development, Health, Labour, 2020  
North East Universities Development Consortium, 2020  
Asian & Australasian Society of Labour Economics Conference, 2019  
6th Australasian Cliometrics Workshop, 2019

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## REFeree SERVICE

The Economic Journal, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Comparative Economics, Economics of Transition and Institutional Change, World Development, Journal of Population Economics

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## PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Global Labor Organization (GLO) Fellow (since 2021)  
Monash Business School SoDa Labs Affiliate (since 2020)

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## PROFESSIONAL AWARDS

The University of Melbourne Faculty of Business and Economics Dean's Award for Research and Partnership, 2021

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## MEDIA COVERAGE

The Australian: "Most workers will have an earnings shock and many will take years to recover", October 16, 2023 ([URL](#))

news.com.au: "New research makes grim revelation about how women survive 'earnings shock'", October 17, 2023 ([URL](#))

The Australian Financial Review: "Vaccine holdouts distrust government and political parties: study", Nov 8, 2021 ([URL](#))

The Australian: "Pension has elder poverty falling", Dec 6, 2020 ([URL](#))

The Hollywood Reporter: "Studies Link Viewership of Fox News to Reduced Pandemic Precaution", October 28, 2020 ([URL](#))

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## SOFTWARE

**bayestable**: R package for summarizing and presenting results of MCMC inference in plain text/Latex/HTML tables ([Github link](#))

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## OTHER WRITINGS

Breaking Down Barriers Community Profiles (with Dr. Ujjwal KC, Prof. Abigail Payne, and Dr. Rajeev Samarge), The Melbourne Institute, 2023 ([Link](#))

Household insurance and financial stress: Securing the family home in a changing climate (with Dr. Antonia Settle), The Melbourne Institute, 2023 ([Link](#))

Is there an ideological divide in willingness to get vaccinated? The Melbourne Institute, 2021 ([Link](#))

Broadstreet: “Homophobia and Colonial Christian Missions in Sub-Saharan Africa” (with Michael Poyker), August 13, 2021 ([URL](#))

Voxeu.org: “Exposure to Fox News hindered social distancing in the US” (with Michael Poyker and Yuan Tian), 20 October, 2020 ([URL](#))

Voxeu.org: “Crises and Trust” (with Sergei Guriev), February 8, 2015 ([URL](#))

FREE Policy Brief Series: “Crisis and Trust” (with Sergei Guriev), January 26, 2015 ([URL](#))