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Education

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA

Ph.D. in Economics	Expected 2022
A.M. in Economics	2019

Williams College, Williamstown, MA

B.A. with Highest Honors in Economics & Mathematics	2014
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Research Interests

Labor Economics, Law and Economics, Economic History, Social Economics

Working Papers

"If You Give a Judge a Risk Score: Evidence from Kentucky Bail Decisions"

"Uncorking Expert Reviews with Social Media: A Case Study Served with Wine" (with Peter Pedroni and Steve Sheppard)

Ongoing Projects

"Examining the Lasting Consequences of the Tulsa Race Riots of 1921" (with Nathan Nunn and James Feigenbaum)

Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

Inequality in America Initiative Grant (with James Feigenbaum and Nathan Nunn)	2019
Terence M. Considine Fellow in Law and Economics, Harvard Law School	2018 - 2019
James M. and Cathleen D. Stone Ph.D. Scholar, Harvard Kennedy School	2018 - Present
Summer Research and Travel Award, Harvard University	2018
Research Scholarship, American Association of Wine Economists	2018
Graduate Fellowship, Harvard University	2016 - Present
Christophe Baron Prize, American Association of Wine Economists	2016
Best Lightning Talk Presenter, Oxford Internet Institute Connected Life Conference	2015
Carl Van Dyne Prize in Economics, Williams College	2014

Phi Beta Kappa, Williams College	2014
Economics Highest Honors, Williams College	2014
Economics Department Class of 1960 Scholar, Williams College	2013 - 2014
National Merit Finalist	2010
Gold Medalist, New York City Math Fair	2008

Non-Refereed Publications

“One Size Does Not Fit All: The Shortcomings of the Mainstream Data Scientist Working for Social Good” (with Sarah Levine). 2015. *Proceedings of the Bloomberg Data for Good Exchange*.

“An Investigation of Quality and Hype in the Market for Wine: A Panel SVAR Approach.” 2014. *Undergraduate Williams College Economics Honors Thesis*.

Popular Writing

Quartz. 2017. “We analyzed every *Modern Love* column from the past 10 years. Here’s what we learned about love” (with Emma Pierson).

The New Yorker. 2015. “Which U.S. State Performs Best in the New Yorker Caption Contest?” (with Bob Mankoff).

Research and Teaching Experience

Harvard University

Teaching Fellow, <i>Research in Social, Labor, & Applied Microeconomics</i>	2018 - 2019
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Stanford Law School

Empirical Research Fellow, Professor John Donohue	2014 - 2016
Teaching Assistant, <i>Guns, Drugs, Prisons, and Other Empirical Debates in Law and Policy</i>	2014

Williams College

Research Fellow, Professor Yong Suk Lee	2013
Research Assistant, Professor Sarah Jacobson	2013
Teaching Assistant, Calculus I	2011-2012

Invited Talks and Presentations

2019: Eighth Meeting for the Society for the Study of Economic Inequality (Paris School of Economics), Harvard *Gov 1005: Data* Guest Speaker, Harvard *Law and Economics Seminar* Guest Speaker

2018: R-Ladies Invited Talk, American Association of Wine Economists Conference (Cornell)

2017: Enterprise Applications of the R Language Conference

2016: American Association of Wine Economists Conference (Université de Bordeaux)

2015: Connected Life Conference (Oxford University), Bloomberg Data for Good Exchange, Strata+Hadoop World Conference

Academic Service

Harvard Grad Women in Economics Tech/Media Manager	2017 - Present
Developer and manager of harvardgwe.com	
Harvard Economics Peer Mentor	2017 - 2018
MIT INSPIRE Judge	2017

Technical Workflow

R for Everything

Data preparation (cleaning and wrangling) and statistical analysis/exploratory visualization with R Markdown (advanced dplyr and ggplot2 package applications)

Reproducible and replicable presentation and paper generation with R Markdown

Version control using Git and Github with Rstudio

Website development and management with R blogdown, Hugo, and Netlify

Other (non-R) Technical Skills

Stata, L^AT_EX, Adobe Photoshop, MS Excel and Powerpoint