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| Education | Massachusetts Institute of Technology Ph.D., Economics Dissertation: <i>“Essays on the Economics of Science and Innovation”</i> Advisors: <i>Heidi Williams, Amy Finkelstein, Pierre Azoulay</i> | 2015 - 2021 |
| | Harvard University A.B. <i>summa cum laude</i> , Applied Mathematics | 2009 - 2013 |
| Employment | University of California, Berkeley <i>Assistant Professor</i> , Haas School of Business (EAP) <i>Assistant Professor</i> , Department of Economics | 2022 - 2022 - |
| | Stanford University <i>Postdoctoral Fellow</i> , Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research | 2021 - 2022 |
| | Bain Capital Credit <i>Investment Analyst</i> | 2013 - 2015 |
| | Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) <i>Faculty Affiliate</i> | 2022 - |
| Publications | “Race to the Bottom: Competition and Quality in Science” (with Ryan Hill) Forthcoming, <i>Quarterly Journal of Economics</i> | |
| | “Scooped! Estimating Rewards for Priority in Science” (with Ryan Hill) 2025, <i>Journal of Political Economy</i> , 113(3). | |
| | “Internalizing Externalities: Designing Effective Data Policies” (with Ryan Hill and Heidi Williams) 2020, <i>AEA Papers & Proceedings</i> 110: 49-54. | |
| Working Papers | “Adaptability and the Pivot Penalty in Science” (with Ryan Hill, Yian Yin, Xizhao Wang, Dashun Wang, and Benjamin F. Jones) <i>Conditionally Accepted, Nature</i> | |
| | “The Wandering Scholars: Understanding the Heterogeneity of University Commercialization” (with Josh Lerner, Henry Manley, and Heidi Williams) <i>Revise & Resubmit, Econometrica</i> | |
| Resting Papers | “Heat Check: New Evidence of the Hot Hand in Basketball” (with Andrew Bocskosky and John Ezekowitz) August 2014 | |
| Fellowships and Awards | Hellman Faculty Fellowship | 2024 - 2026 |
| | Barbara and Gerson Bakar Faculty Fellow | 2023 - 2025 |
| | Robert M. Solow Prize for Excellence in Research and Teaching | 2021 |

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| | <i>Review of Economic Studies</i> European Tour | 2021 |
| | China Star Tour | 2021 |
| | NBER Predoctoral Fellowship in Aging and Health | 2020 - 2021 |
| | Excellence in Refereeing Award, <i>AER: Insights</i> | 2019; 2020; 2021 |
| | George and Obie Shultz Fund Grant | 2018; 2020 |
| | National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship | 2017 - 2020 |
| | MIT Presidential Graduate Fellowship | 2015 - 2017 |
| | Harvard University Certificate of Distinction in Teaching | 2012 |
| | Phi Beta Kappa (Senior 48) | 2012 |
| | John Harvard Scholar | 2010 |
| | Detur Book Prize | 2010 |
| | Harvard Top Chef (with Anna Mapes Carter) | 2010 |
| Invited Presentations | London School of Economics, UC Santa Barbara, Virtual Seminar on Innovation and Economic Growth Max Planck Institute, UC Merced, UEA North America | 2024 - 2025 |
| | NBER Summer Institute (discussant), Conference on the Economics of Innovation in Memory of Zvi Griliches, Oxford Economic Analyses of Science Workshop, UC Berkeley Law, BU Questrom, NYU Stern, ASSA/Econometric Society Meetings, NBER Org Economics, Workshop on Entrepreneurial Finance and Innovation (discussant) | 2023 - 2024 |
| | NBER Summer Institute (discussant), NHH (discussant), UCL, Junior Innovation Economics Conference, HKU Business School, Berkeley/Stanford IO-Fest, Berkeley Haas (BPP) | 2022 - 2023 |
| | Stanford GSB (Finance), IIES Stockholm, Brookings, Duke Fuqua (Strategy), UC Merced, ASSA Meetings, Wisconsin Economics, Stanford Economics, Brown, NBER Summer Institute, University of Munich (LMU) | 2021 - 2022 |
| | BFI China, Peterson Institute for International Economics, Yale Economics, London School of Economics, UC Berkeley Haas (BPP; EAP), UC Berkeley Economics, Harvard Economics, Yale SOM (Economics), Duke Economics, UBC Sauder (Strategy & Business Economics), Princeton, Northwestern Economics, Chicago Booth (Microeconomics), Harvard Business School (EM; TOM), USC Economics, University of Utah Eccles (Strategy), NBER Productivity Seminar, Rutgers Institute for Quantitative Biomedicine, SUNY Albany | 2020 - 2021 |
| Professional Activities | Referee: <i>AEJ: Applied Economics</i> , <i>AER: Insights</i> , <i>American Economic Review</i> , <i>Econometrica</i> , <i>Journal of the European Economic Association</i> , <i>Journal of Political Economy</i> , <i>Nature Human Behavior</i> , <i>Quarterly Journal of Economics</i> , <i>Review of Economics and Statistics</i> , <i>Review of Economic Studies</i> | |
| Other Activities | MIT Cycling Team (<i>treasurer; recruitment chair</i>) Big Brothers Big Sisters of Massachusetts Bay Cabot House, Harvard University (<i>non-resident tutor</i>) Harvard Blackjack Team | 2018 - 2021 2017 - 2021 2014 - 2018 2011 - 2013 |
| Citizenship | United States | |

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