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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

Ph.D in Economics, <i>University of California, Los Angeles</i>	2019 - present (expected June 2025)
<u>Advisors:</u> John Asker, Martin Hackmann	
M.A. in Economics, <i>University of California, Los Angeles</i>	2021
M.P.A. in Public and Economic Policy, <i>London School of Economics</i>	2014
B.A., <i>University of Southern California</i>	2012

RESEARCH FIELDS

Industrial Organization, Applied Microeconomics

WORKING PAPERS

How Do Hospitals Respond to Input Regulation? Evidence from the California Nurse Staffing Mandate, *Revise & Resubmit, Journal of Health Economics*, May 2023

AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

• UCLA Graduate Division Graduate Research Mentorship Program	2022 - 2023
• UCLA Graduate Division Graduate Summer Research Mentorship Program	2022
• UCLA Department of Economics Lewis L. Clarke Graduate Fellowship	2021
• UCLA Graduate Division Graduate Dean's Scholar Award	2019 - 2021
• UCLA Department of Economics Top TA Award, Pandemic Teaching Award	2020 - 2021
• UCLA Department of Economics Fellowship	2019 - 2020
• InterMedia and Gates Foundation Data Challenge Grand Prize	2014
• USC Presidential Merit Scholarship	2008 - 2012
• USC Summer Undergraduate Research Fund, University Research Associates Program	2010

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- Graduate Research Assistant for Prof. Wesley Yin 2022 - present
- Graduate Research Assistant for Prof. Till von Wachter 2021 - 2022
- Consultant for Poverty and Equity Global Practice, Nigeria, *World Bank* 2020 - 2021
- Consultant for Jobs and Skills Global Practice, Liberia, *World Bank* 2019
- Consultant for Africa Gender Innovation Lab, Nigeria and Ethiopia, *World Bank* 2018 - 2019
- Senior Analyst, Antitrust and Competition, *Compass Lexecon* 2016 - 2018
- Analyst, Antitrust and Competition, *Compass Lexecon* 2014 - 2016

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Teaching Assistant for Intermediate Microeconomic Theory (ECON 101) Fall 2020
* Department of Economics – Pandemic Teaching Award (Fall 2020)
- Teaching Assistant for Organization of Firms (ECON 106I) Winter 2021
* Department of Economics – Top TA Award (2020 - 2021)

PRIOR POLICY PUBLICATIONS

Ethiopia Gender Diagnostic Report: Priorities for Promoting Equity, with Niklas Buehren, et al., 2019, World Bank.

Data-Driven Decision Making in Fragile Contexts: Evidence from Sudan, with Naomi Crowther and Ella Spencer, 2017, Eds. Alexander Hamilton and Craig Hammer, World Bank.

Inequalities in Public Services in Sudan: Using a Perceptions-Informed View to Drive Policy in Education, Health, and Water Provision, with Naomi Crowther, Keisuke Okamura, David Rinnert, and Ella Spencer, 2014, U.K. Department for International Development.

Tailored Finance and Organic Growth: A Livelihoods Approach to Financial Inclusion in India, with Rossi Abi-Rafeh, Joshua Bernstein, and Ella Spencer, 2014, InterMedia and Gates Foundation Open Data Analysis Challenge Grand Prize.

SKILLS

Software: Stata, R, Python, Microsoft Office Suite, L^AT_EX

Languages: English (native), Tamil (fluent), Spanish (basic)