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EDUCATION

Harvard University <i>PhD in Economics (in progress)</i> Fields: Labor and Political Economy	Cambridge, MA 2019-
Columbia University <i>BA in Computer Science and Economics (Double Major)</i>	New York, NY 2013-2017

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Facebook, Core Data Science Team <i>Contractor</i>	Cambridge, MA 2017-2019, 2020-
Harvard University, Department of Economics <i>Graduate Research Assistant, Prof. Raj Chetty</i>	Cambridge, MA 2021-
Harvard University, Department of Economics <i>Graduate Research Assistant, Prof. Gabriel Kreindler</i>	Cambridge, MA 2020
New York University, Stern School of Business <i>Junior Research Scientist, Profs. Theresa Kuchler & Johannes Stroebe</i>	New York, NY 2017-2019
Yale University, Department of Economics <i>Research Assistant, Prof. Costas Arkolakis</i>	New Haven, CT 2016-2017
Columbia University, Department of Economics <i>Research Assistant, Prof. Donald Davis & Sun Kyung Lee</i>	New York, NY 2015

PUBLICATIONS

[Peer Effects in Product Adoption](#)

Forthcoming at *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*
with Michael Bailey, Theresa Kuchler, Johannes Stroebe, Arlene Wong
Press: [VoxEU](#), [LSE Business Review](#), [World Economic Forum](#)

[Social Connectedness in Europe](#)

([data](#)) ([code](#)) ([appendix](#))

Social Informatics 2020
with Michael Bailey, Theresa Kuchler, Dominic Russel, Bogdan State, Johannes Stroebe
Press: [Facebook Research](#)

WORKING PAPERS

Social Capital in the United States I: Measurement and Associations with Economic Mobility

Accepted at *Nature*
with Raj Chetty, Matthew O. Jackson, Johannes Stroebe, Theresa Kuchler, Nathaniel Hendren, Robert Fluegge, Sara Gong, Federico Gonzalez, Armelle Grondin, Matthew Jacob, Martin Koenen, Eduardo Laguna-Muggenburg, Florian Mudekerez, Tom Rutter, Nicolaj Thor, Wilbur Townsend, Ruby Zhang, Mike Bailey, Pablo Barberá, Monica Bhole, Nils Wernerfelt, and the Meta Core Data Science Team

Social Capital in the United States II: Exposure, Friending Bias, and the Determinants of Economic Connectedness

Accepted at *Nature*
with Raj Chetty, Matthew O. Jackson, Johannes Stroebe, Theresa Kuchler, Nathaniel Hendren, Robert Fluegge, Sara Gong, Federico Gonzalez, Armelle Grondin, Matthew Jacob, Martin Koenen, Eduardo Laguna-Muggenburg, Florian Mudekerez, Tom Rutter, Nicolaj Thor, Wilbur Townsend, Ruby Zhang, Mike Bailey, Pablo Barberá, Monica Bhole, Nils Wernerfelt, and the Meta Core Data Science Team

Social Networks Shape Beliefs and Behavior: Evidence from Social Distancing during the COVID-19 Pandemic

Revise & Resubmit at *Journal of Political Economy Microeconomics*

with Michael Bailey, Martin Koenen, Theresa Kuchler, Dominic Russel, Johannes Stroebel

Press: [NBER Digest](#)

The Social Integration of International Migrants: Evidence from the Networks of Syrians in Germany

with Michael Bailey, Martin Koenen, Theresa Kuchler, Dominic Russel, Johannes Stroebel

TALKS (INCLUDING SCHEDULED)

2022 | Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics

2021 | Networks 2021, Southern Economic Association

2020 | Facebook Computational Social Science Seminar

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee for the Economic Journal, the Journal of Urban Economics, and the Quarterly Journal of Economics

OTHER

Opportunity Insights PhD Affiliate, 2x NCAA Team Fencing Champion