# **Drew Johnston**

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## **EDUCATION**

Harvard University Cambridge, MA PhD in Economics (in Progress) 2019-

Fields: Labor and Political Economy

**Columbia University** New York, NY 2013-2017

BA in Computer Science and Economics (Double Major)

Tracks: Intelligent Systems

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Facebook, Core Data Science Team Cambridge, MA Contractor 2017-2019, 2020-

Harvard University, Department of Economics Cambridge, MA

Research Assistant, Prof. Gabriel Kreindler 2020

New York University, Stern School of Business New York, NY Junior Research Scientist, Profs. Theresa Kuchler & Johannes Stroebel 2017-2019

Yale University, Department of Economics New Haven, CT Research Assistant, Prof. Costas Arkolakis 2016-2017

Columbia University, Department of Economics New York, NY Research Assistant, Prof. Donald Davis & Sun Kyoung Lee 2015

# PUBLICATIONS AND WORKING PAPERS

#### "Social Connectedness in Europe"

(data) (code) (appendix)

Social Informatics 2020

Coauthors: Michael Bailey, Theresa Kuchler, Dominic Russel, Bogdan State, Johannes Stroebel

Press: Facebook Research

#### "Peer Effects in Product Adoption"

Revise & resubmit in American Economic Journal: Applied Economics

Coauthors: Michael Bailey, Theresa Kuchler, Johannes Stroebel, Arlene Wong

Press: VoxEU, LSE Business Review, World Economic Forum

"Social Networks Shape Beliefs and Behavior: Evidence from Social Distancing during the **COVID-19 Pandemic**" (working paper)

Coauthors: Michael Bailey, Martin Koenen, Theresa Kuchler, Dominic Russel, Johannes Stroebel

Press: NBER Digest

#### INVITED TALKS

Facebook Computational Social Science

2020

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Strong Knowledge:** Python, Cython, SQL/HQL, R, Stata

Intermediate Knowledge: Excel, MATLAB, Java, C

### **OTHER**

Opportunity Insights PhD Affiliate, 2x NCAA Team Fencing Champion