

CONTACT

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RESEARCH FIELD

Macroeconomics

EDUCATION

<b>Doctor of Philosophy in Economics</b> University of Minnesota	2019
<b>Masters in Economics</b> Collegio Carlo Alberto	2012
<b>Bachelor of Arts in Economics</b> University of Chicago	2010

EMPLOYMENT

<b>Assistant Professor of Economics</b> William & Mary	2019 - present
<b>Research Assistant</b> Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis	2015 - 2019
<b>Research Assistant</b> Collegio Carlo Alberto, Italy	2012 - 2013
<b>Associate Economist</b> Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago	2010 - 2011

WORKING PAPERS

<b>Optimism About Graduation and College Financial Aid</b> (with G. Raveendranathan and M. Xu) <i>accepted at: AEJ: Macro</i>	<i>Conditionally</i>
<b>College Financial Aid Application Frictions</b> (with G. Raveendranathan)	

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLISHED AND ACCEPTED ARTICLES

<b>Childcare Subsidies and Child Skill Accumulation in One- and Two-Parent Families</b>	<i>AEJ:Macro 2023, 15(1): 475–516</i>
<b>Family Policies and Child Skill Accumulation</b> (with M. Tran-Xuan)	<i>Review of Economic Dynamics 2025, 56</i>

FEDERAL RESERVE BANK OF CLEVELAND ECONOMIC COMMENTARIES

<b>Student Debt Incidence: Recent Data and Conceptual Issues</b> (with J. Manes and T. Phelan)	2022
<b>The Evolution of Student Debt 2019–2022: Evidence from the Survey of Consumer Finances</b> (with T. Phelan)	2024

WORK IN PROGRESS

**The Role of Expectations in College Attendance and Success** (with P. McHenry)

TEACHING

<b>William &amp; Mary: Instructor and student research supervision</b>	<b>Semester and year</b>
<i>Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory (Econ 304, core major sequence)</i>	Fall 2019 - present
<i>Economics of Gender and Work (Econ 452, capstone course)</i>	Spring 2024, Fall 2024
<i>Economics of Gender and Work (Econ 400, advanced topics course)</i>	Spring 2022, Fall 2022, Fall 2023
<i>Independent Study (Econ 490, student research project)</i>	Summer 2022, Summer 2023, Spring 2024, Spring 2025
<i>Monroe Scholar Project (student research project)</i>	Summer 2021
<b>University of Minnesota: Teaching Assistant</b>	<b>Semester and year</b>
<i>Intermediate Microeconomic Theory, Comparative Economic Systems</i>	Fall 2014, Spring 2015

RESEARCH VISITS

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**2023** Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (Spring), Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (April).

PRESENTATIONS AT CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS (\*PLANNED)

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**2025** Seminars: University of Bonn.\*

**2024** Conferences: Southern Economics Association (Washington, D.C.), Society for Economic Dynamics (Barcelona, Spain), Midwest Economics Association, (Chicago, IL). Seminars: McMaster University.

**2023** Conferences: Midwest Economics Association (Cleveland, OH), Society for Economic Dynamics (Cartagena, Colombia), LA Macro (Greenville, SC), I-85 Macro Workshop (Richmond, VA), National Tax Association Annual Conference (Denver, CO), Southern Economics Association (New Orleans, LA). Seminars: Opportunity and Inclusive Growth Institute brown bag (Minneapolis, MN), Lafayette College, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond brown bag.

**2022** Conferences: LA Macro (Middleton, VT), Canadian Macroeconomic Study Group (Montreal). Seminars: Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

**2021** Conferences: Midwest Economics Association, SOLE Annual Conference, Society for Economic Dynamics (Minneapolis, MN), LA Macro, Southern Economic Association. Seminars: Minnesota Alumni Workshop.

**2020** Conferences: Barcelona Summer Forum. Seminars: Virginia Commonwealth University.

**2019** Conferences: Midwest Macro (Athens, GA), Society for Economic Dynamics (St. Louis, Missouri).

HONORS AND AWARDS

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**Summer Research Grant** (William & Mary) Summer 2020

**Distinguished Teaching Assistant** (Department of Economics, University of Minnesota) Fall 2014

**Bert and Susan Gross Fellowship** (Department of Economics, University of Minnesota) Fall 2013 - Spring 2014

SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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**Referee:** American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economic Dynamics, Journal of Human Capital, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Journal of Applied Economics, Industrial Relations.

**Podcast Appearance:** St. Louis Fed "Women in Economics" series (Fall 2021)

**Conference Organization:**

2021 MEA session (virtual): "Work and Home," co-organizer with R. Madera, presenter, chair.

2024 MEA session (Chicago, IL): "Investing in Children" organizer, presenter, chair.

2024 MEA session (Chicago, IL): "Subjective Beliefs in Macroeconomics," organizer, presenter, chair.

2024 Midwest Macroeconomic Association conference selection committee (Richmond, VA)

**Professional Association Board Member:** Virginia Association of Economists (Spring 2021 - present).

**William & Mary (Department and University):***Department:*

Major advising (2019-present)

Curriculum committee (2020-present)

Scholarship committee (2023-present)

Department website committee (2021)

Undergraduate research engagement/skills committee (2021-2022)

Scholar-in-residence committee (2022-2023)

Long-term planning committee (2023)

Online summer intro course ("Alt 101") pilot for Econ 452 (2024)

Hiring committee (2024-2025)

*University:*

Freshman advising (2019-present)

Undergraduate research committee (2021-present)

Career development committee (2024-present)

COMPUTER SKILLS, LANGUAGES, CITIZENSHIP

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**Computer Skills:** Fortran, Matlab, Stata, QGIS

**Languages:** English (native), Italian (fluent), Spanish (conversational), French (basic)

**Citizenship:** United States of America