

# Eric J. Koepcke

## Curriculum Vitae

### Contact Info

---

EMAIL: eric\_koepcke@berkeley.edu  
PHONE: (612) 708-4125  
WEBSITE: <https://ekoepcke.github.io/>

### Education

---

2017–2023	<b>University of California, Berkeley</b> Doctor of Philosophy in Economics
2011–2015	<b>University of Wisconsin-Madison</b> Bachelor of Science; graduated with Distinction <b>Majors:</b> Economics (with Honors) Mathematics <b>Minor:</b> Computer Science

### Work in Progress

---

- “Can Hourly Workers Predict Their Short-Term Liquidity Needs? Evidence from an Earned Wage Access Fintech Experiment” (with Luisa Cefala and Nicholas Swanson) (Draft available upon request)
- “Decomposing Mis-Prediction: Incorrect Beliefs, Mistakes, and Mistaken Learning”
- “How Do Beliefs Affect Commitment Take-Up? Evidence from a Lab Experiment” (with Woojin Kim)

### Publications/Working Papers

---

- “The US Tax Preference for Retirement Savings” (with Gary Burtless). In: R. Holzmann and J. Piggott, editors, *The Taxation of Pensions*, MIT Press, 2018.
- “An Evaluation of the CPI Indexes for Prescription Drugs” (with Ernie Berndt, John Bieler, Barry Bosworth, and Michael Kleinrock). NBER Working Paper 24210.

## Provided Research Assistance On

---

- Allcott, Hunt, Joshua Kim, Dmitry Taubinsky, and Jonathan Zinman. 2022. “Are High-Interest Loans Predatory? Theory and Evidence from Payday Lending.” *Review of Economic Studies*, 89(3): 1041-1084.
- Bosworth, Barry P., Gary Burtless, and Kan Zhang. 2016. “Later Retirement, Inequality in Old Age, and the Growing Gap in Longevity Between Rich and Poor.” Brookings Institution, Washington, DC.
- Burtless, Gary. 2016. “Labor Force Dynamics in the Great Recession and Its Aftermath: Implications for Older Workers.” CRR WP 2016-1. Center for Retirement Research at Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA.

## Honors and Grants

---

2020	J-PAL North America, Work of the Future Initiative, Proposal Development Grant
2020	UC Berkeley Opportunity Lab, Labor Science Initiative, Graduate Research Award
2019	Center for Effective Global Action, Psychology and Economics of Poverty Grant
2019	Center for Effective Global Action, Development Economics Challenge Grant
2018-2023	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
2017-2023	Departmental Fellowship, UC Berkeley
2015	Lorraine A. & W. Dwight Stone Scholarship in Economics
2014	Irma Newman Foundation Scholarship Award in Mathematics
2014	Lorraine A. & W. Dwight Stone Scholarship in Economics
2013	Everett Smith Scholarship in Economics

## Teaching Experience

---

- |      |   |
|------|---|
| 2019 | • GSI/TA for undergraduate Intermediate Macroeconomics, UC Berkeley |
| 2018 | • GSI/TA for undergraduate Game Theory, UC Berkeley                 |

## Referee

---

*American Economic Review*