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Current Positions

Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Georgia, August 2017-present.

Economist, U.S. Census Bureau (Excepted Service Appointment), August 2018–present.

Fellow, Labor Dynamics Institute, Cornell University, 2012–present.

Past Positions

Visiting Assoc. Professor, Dept. of Economics, Univ. of California, Berkeley, August 2017–July 2018.

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Georgia, August 2010-July 2017.

Economist, Center for Economic Studies, U.S. Census Bureau, 2008–2010.

Education

Ph.D. Economics, Cornell University, 2010.

M.Phil. Economics, University of Sydney, 2004.

M.A. Economics, University of Missouri, St. Louis, 2003.

B.A. Mathematics and Philosophy (dual major), Indiana University, 1998.

Research

Publications

Abowd, John M., Ian M. Schmutte, Lars Vilhuber, and William Sexton (2020) "Why the Economics Profession Must Actively Participate in the Privacy Protection Debate," *American Economic Association Papers and Proceedings*, vol. 109. pp. 397–402.

Abowd, John M. and Ian M. Schmutte (2019) "An Economic Analysis of Privacy Protection and Statistical Accuracy as Social Choices," *American Economic Review*, vol. 109, pp. 171–202.

Abowd, John M., Kevin McKinney, and **Ian M. Schmutte** (2019) "Modeling Endogenous Mobility in Earnings Determination," *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*, vol. 37(3), pp. 405-418.

Abowd, John M., Francis Kramarz, Sébastian Pérez-Duarte, and **Ian M. Schmutte** (2018) "Sorting Between and Within Industries: A Testable Model of Assortative Matching," *Annals of Economics and Statistics*, no. 129, pp. 1–32.

Cornwell, Christopher, Jason Rivera, and **Ian M. Schmutte** (2017) "Wage Discrimination when Identity is Subjective: Evidence from Changes in Employer-Reported Race," *Journal of Human Resources*, vol. 52(3), pp. 719–755.

Schmutte, Ian M. (2016) "Labor Markets With Endogenous Job Referral Networks: Theory and Empirical Evidence," *Labour Economics*, vol. 42, pp. 30–42.

Schmutte, Ian M. (2016) "How Do Social Networks Affect Labor Markets," IZA World of Labor, 304.

Gittings, R. Kaj and **Ian M. Schmutte** (2016) "Getting Handcuffs on an Octopus: Minimum Wages, Employment, and Turnover," *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, vol. 69, no. 5, pp. 1133–1170.

Schmutte, Ian M. (2016) "Differentially Private Release of Data on Wages and Job Mobility," *Statistical Journal of the IAOS*, vol. 32, no. 1, pp. 81–92.

Abowd, John M. and Ian M. Schmutte (2015) "Economic Analysis and Statistical Disclosure Limitation," *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity* vol.50, no. 1, pp. 221-267.

Schmutte, Ian M. (2015) "Job Referral Networks and the Determination of Earnings in Local Labor Markets," *Journal of Labor Economics* vol. 33, no. 1, pp. 1–32.

Schmutte, Ian M. (2014) "Free to Move? A Network Approach to the Analysis of Job Mobility," *Labour Economics* Vol.29 (August) pp. 49–61.

Working Papers

Abowd, John M., Ian M. Schmutte and Lars Vilhuber, "Disclosure Limitation and Confidentiality Protection in Linked Data," Center for Economic Studies, U.S. Census Bureau, Working Papers 18-07, 2018.

Cornwell, Christopher, Ian M. Schmutte and Daniela Scur. "Building a Productive Workforce: The Role of Structured Management Practices." CEP Discussion Paper No. 1644, August 2019. *Revisions requested*

Lavetti, Kurt and Ian M. Schmutte. "Estimating Compensating Wage Differentials with Endogenous Job Mobility."

Lavetti, Kurt and Ian M. Schmutte. "Gender Differences in Earnings and Sorting on Occupational Safety."

Abowd, John M., Ian M. Schmutte, Lars Vilhuber and William Sexton "Suboptimal Provision of Statistical Accuracy When It Is a Public Good."

Bennedsen, Morten, Birthe Larsen, Ian M. Schmutte and Daniela Scur "Preserving Job Matches During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Firm-Level Evidence on the Role of Government Aid."

Lastrapes, William D., Ian M. Schmutte, and Thor Watson "Home Equity Lending, Credit Constraints and Small Business in the United States."

Schmutte, Ian M. and Meghan Skira "The Response of Firms to Maternity Leave and Sickness Absence."

Work in Progress

"Differentially Private Information Design" (with Nathan Yoder).

"Hours Constraints, Wages, and Sorting by Gender" (with Claudio Labanca and Dario Pozzoli).

"Formal Privacy for Economic Data with Application to the Innovation Measurement Initiative" (with Joseph Staudt).

Technical Reports

Abowd, John M. et al. "The Modernization of Statistical Disclosure Limitation at the U.S. Census Bureau," (link), 2020.

Abowd, John M., Ian M. Schmutte, William Sexton, and Lars Vilhuber, "Introductory Readings in Formal Privacy for Economists," (link), 2019.

Vilhuber, Lars and Ian M. Schmutte, "Proceedings from the 2017 Cornell-Census-NSF-Sloan Workshop on Practical Privacy," Labor Dynamics Institute, Cornell University, Document 43, 2017.

Vilhuber, Lars, Saki Kinney, and **Ian M. Schmutte**, "Proceedings from the Synthetic LBD International Seminar," Labor Dynamics Institute, Cornell University, Document 44, 2017.

Vilhuber, Lars and Ian M. Schmutte, "Proceedings from the 2016 NSF-Sloan Workshop on Practical Privacy," Labor Dynamics Institute, Cornell University, Document 33, 2017.

Awards and Grants

Labour Economics Excellence in Reviewing Certificate, "given to the top 10 reviewers in 2018".

Kamerschen-Hampton Award "for outstanding research in economics," Department of Economics, UGA, 2019

NCRN-MN: Cornell Census-NSF Research Node: Integrated Research (Subaward 64184-10689), 2016

Swift Award "for outstanding undergraduate tenure-track teaching in economics," Department of Economics, UGA, 2016

Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Grant G–2015–13903 (PI), \$535,970, 2015–2018, "The Economics of Socially-Efficient Privacy and Confidentiality Management for Statistical Agencies" co-PIs John M. Abowd (Cornell) and Lars Vilhuber (Cornell).

Summer at Census Scholar, June 8–12, 2015.

Fulbright Postgraduate Scholarship to Australia, 2003–2004.

Professional Activities and Service

Editorial Service

Editorial Board, Data in Brief, 2019—present

Editorial Board, Journal of Privacy and Confidentiality, 2020—present

Guest Editor, *Journal of Econometrics* special issue on "Models of Linked Employer-Employee Data", 2020

Referee Service

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review, Contemporary Economic Policy, Economics, Economics Bulletin, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economics of Education Review, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economics Letters, Empirical Economics, European Economic Review, Industrial and Labor Relations Review, International Economic Review, IZA Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Economics and Management Strategy, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Labor Research, Journal of Macroeconomics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Privacy and Confidentiality, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, Journal of Urban Economics, Labour Economics, Management Science, Manchester School, National Science Foundation, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Science Advances. Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Southern Economic Journal, Quarterly Journal of Economics

University Service

Graduate Coordinator, Department of Economics, University of Georgia, 2020-present.

Undergraduate Programs Committee, 2018–2020.

Board Member, Atlanta Census Research Data Center, 2011-present.

Departmental Recruiting Committee, 2011-2012; 2016-2017; 2017-2018; 2019-2020.

Presentations (since 2016)

NBER Summer Institute Methods Lecture: "Differential Privacy for Economists," July 17, 2020.

AASLE Meetings, Singapore, December 12-14, 2019.

Monash University, December 9, 2019.

Purdue University, November 5, 2019.

University of Montreal, October 6, 2019.

Auburn University, September 19, 2019.

Society of Labor Economists, Arlington, VA, May 3–4, 2019.

"Data Privacy: From Foundations to Applications," Simons Institute, UC Berkeley, March 4–8, 2019.

Empirical Management Conference, Harvard Business School, Cambridge, MA, December 14, 2018.

Southern Economic Association 88th Annual Meetings, Washington, D.C., November 17-19, 2018.

Society of Labor Economists, Toronto, ON, 2018.

University of California, Irvine, November 14, 2017.

CSU-East Bay, October 31, 2017.

UC Berkeley Labor Lunch, October 6, 2017.

Federal Statistical System RDC Conference, UCLA, September 14, 2017.

University of Kentucky, April 3, 2017.

University of Maryland, College Park, March 16, 2017.

LERA Winter Meeting, Chicago, January 6–8, 2017.

Empirical Management Conference, MIT, Cambridge, MA, December 7–8, 2016.

Southern Economic Association 86th Annual Meetings, Washington, D.C., November 19-21, 2016.

Invited vistor to the "Data Linkage and Anonymisation" program at the Isaac Newton Institute for Mathematical Sciences, Cambridge University, October 2016.

"Privacy: Recent Developments at the Interface between Economics and Computer Science", Cambridge University, October 28, 2016.

NYU Applied Microeconomics Seminar, September 26, 2016.

28th Annual Conference of the European Association of Labour Economists, Ghent, Belgium, September 15–17, 2016.

Western Economic Association International 91st Annual Conference, Portland, Oregon, June 29–July 3, 2016.

NSF-Census Research Network Spring 2016 Meeting, U.S. Census Bureau, May 10, 2016.

Society of Labor Economists Twenty-first Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, May 6–7, 2016.

Social Identity and Social Interactions in Economics, Quebec City, April 29–30, 2016.

Teaching

University of Georgia, Economics of Networks (Undergraduate)

University of Georgia, Labor Economics (Undergraduate)

University of Georgia, Labor Economics I (Graduate)

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