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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Colorado Denver, 2025–present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Michigan, 2025
M.A. in Economics, University of Colorado Denver, 2017
M.S. in Finance and Risk Management, University of Colorado Denver, 2017
B.A. in Economics/Mathematics, Western Washington University, 2015

PUBLICATIONS

Gender Differences in Political Career Progression with Ryan Brown, Hani Mansour, and Stephen D. O’Connell, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 230: 106806, 2025.

Voting and Political Participation in the Aftermath of the HIV/AIDS Epidemic with Hani Mansour, *Journal of Human Resources*, 59(6): 1769-1794, 2024.

JUE Insight: Condominium Development Does Not Lead to Gentrification with Leah P. Boustan, Robert A. Margo, Matthew M. Miller, and Justin P. Steil, *Journal of Urban Economics*, 133: 103524, 2023.

WORKING PAPERS

The Direct and Intergenerational Effects of Criminal History-Based Safety Net Bans in the U.S. with Michael Mueller-Smith, Kevin Schnepel, and Caroline Walker, *Revise and Resubmit at Journal of Political Economy*.

Parental Job Loss and Geographic Mobility with Andrew Joung.

Multitasking, Incentives, and Police Officer Behavior

Measuring Discrimination using Natural Experiments with Nikhil Rao.

Agency Incentives and Disparate Revenue Collection: Evidence from Chicago Parking Tickets with Elizabeth Luh and Benjamin Pyle.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Examining Interventions to Improve the Outcomes of Justice-Involved Individuals with Nikhil Rao, *FSRDC Project #2957*.

Great Recession Exposure and Criminal Justice Involvement: Evidence from Linked Administrative Data with Andrew Joung, *FSRDC Project #2854*.

Discrimination and Permissible Considerations in Bail Decisions

HONORS, AWARDS, AND GRANTS

Arnold Ventures Grant (x2), 2025-2029
John E. Parker Memorial Prize in Labor Economics and Human Resources, 2025
Outstanding Third Year Paper Award, 2022
Department of Economics Summer Research Award, 2020, 2021
Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship Fund Predoctoral Fellow, 2019 – 2020
University of Colorado Denver CLAS Outstanding M.A. Graduate Student, 2017
Settlemyer Family Scholarship, 2013
Western Washington University College of Business and Economics Distinguished Scholar, 2012
Western Washington University President's Scholar, 2012

PRESENTATIONS

2025: Texas Economics of Crime Workshop (TxECW), Virtual Crime Economics Seminar (ViCE), University of Colorado Denver, University of Michigan, Cowles Foundation (Yale) - Labor and Public, University of Texas at San Antonio

2024: NBER Children & Families Spring Meeting, Institute for Research on Poverty Summer Workshop (Wisconsin), UW-UM-MSU-UWO Labo(u)r Day, American Law and Economics Association Annual Meeting, Western Economic Association Annual Meeting

2023: Transatlantic Workshop on the Economics of Crime, Midwestern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Kennesaw State University

2020: Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Colorado Denver, 2025–present
Department of Economics
Law and Economics

University of Michigan, 2020–2021
Department of Economics
Principles of Economics I

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Michigan, 2020 – 2025
Criminal Justice Administrative Records System
Graduate Student Research Assistant

Princeton University, 2017 – 2019
Industrial Relations Section
Research assistant for Leah Boustan, Will Dobbie, and Alan B. Krueger

REFeree SERVICE

American Journal of Health Economics, American Law and Economics Review, Review of Economics of the Household, Economic Analysis and Policy, Quarterly Journal of Economics

OTHER

Citizenship: U.S.

United States Census Bureau, Special Sworn Status, 2020 – Present

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