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EDUCATION

PhD, Agricultural and Resource Economics

August 2018 - Present

University of California, Berkeley, Berkeley, CA

Fields: Development Economics, Economic Geography, Trade, Environmental Economics

Designated Emphasis: Development Engineering

Advisor: Marco Gonzalez-Navarro

MS, Agricultural and Resource Economics

August 2018 - May 2020

University of California, Berkeley; Berkeley, CA

Major Field: Development Economics, Minor Field: International Economics

BS, Economics August 2012 – May 2016

Tulane University; New Orleans, LA

Overall GPA: 3.932

Minors (Minor GPA): Mathematics (4.000), Portuguese (3.957)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

"Marketing and Technology Adoption and Diffusion" (with Amir Heiman, David Zilberman), Applied Economics: Perspectives & Policy 42(1) (2020)

Works in Progress

"Climate Change and Conflict with Adaptation Through Trade"

"Unlocking the Chinese Miracle with Historical Satellites" (with Oliver Kim)

"How Larger are the Environmental Benefits of Sustainable Agriculture? Evidence from Mexico" (with Bram Govaerts)

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

STEG PhD Research Grant (w/ Oliver Kim, 14,989 GBP)	2022
Fisher Center PhD Research Grant (w/ Oliver Kim, \$15,000)	2022
Clausen Center PhD Research Grant (w/ Oliver Kim, \$5,000)	2022
Emergent Ventures (w/ Oliver Kim, \$20,000)	2022
CEGA Development Challenge Grant (w/ Oliver Kim, \$14,000)	2021
InFEWS NSF Fellowship Funding ($$34,000 + 1$ year tuition & fees)	2020
Federal Language and Area Studies Fellowship (Brazil; \$10,000)	2014

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

"Incorporating High-Frequency Weather Data into Consumption Expenditure Predictions" (with Anders Christensen and Simón Ramírez Amaya), NeurIPS ML4D Proceedings forthcoming

"Energy Prices, the Financial Crisis, and their Implications for Land Policies in California" (with JunJie Wu, Steven Sexton, David Zilberman), ARE Update 22(6) (2019)

Work Experience

Economist Intern at Amazon

RA at BITSS

RA for Elisabeth Sadoulet

RA for David Zilberman

RA for Edward Miguel

January 2020 – August 2020, January 2022 – May 2022

January 2020 – August 2020

June 2019 – December 2019

May 2019 – August 2019

June 2022 - September 2022

November 2016 - July 2018 August 2016 - June 2017

RA for Sean Higgins ${\bf TEACHING~EXPERIENCE}$

Research Fellow (full time) For Daniel Kessler

TA for ARE 210: PhD Probability and Statistics Fall 2021, 2022
TA for ARE 213: PhD Applied Econometrics and Causal Inference Fall 2021, 2022

Awards and Honors

InFEWS Fellowship	2019
Summa Cum Laude Graduation Honors	2016
Tulane Undergraduate Mathematical Economics Award	2016
Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society	2016

PRESENTATIONS AND WORKSHOPS

The Workshop on Environmental Economics and Data Science (Oct. 2022), Machine Learning in Economics Summer Institute (Aug. 2022), CEGA Global Workshop (Mar. 2022), NeurIPS ML4D (Dec. 2021), AERE Summer Conference (Jun. 2021), CGIAR SPIA Webinar Series (May 2021), Pacific Conference for Development Economics (Mar. 2021), OSWEET (Feb. 2021), Young Economist Symposium (Aug. 2020), Giannini Foundation of Agricultural and Resource Economics Student Conference (Apr. 2020)

Professional Affiliations

Association of Environmental and Resource Economists

${\bf Service}$

Giannini Agricultural and Resource Economics Student Conference Co-Organizer	2022
Berkeley Economists for Equity High School Outreach Committee	2021-2022
UC Berkeley ARE Faculty Search Committee Student Representative	2021-2022
UC Berkeley ARE PhD Admissions Committee	2020-2021
UC Berkeley ARE Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Undergraduate Outreach Subcommittee	2020-Present
InFEWS Student Council	2020-2022

Refereeing

Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Development Economics

${\rm Skills}$

Python, R, Google Earth Engine, QGIS, Stata, SQL/POSTGRES, \LaTeX