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## Education

2013–2019 Ph.D. Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California Berkeley  
2006–2010 Sc.B. Mathematics, Brown University

## Relevant Work Experience

### World Bank Group

2021–present Economist, Development Impact  
2019–2021 Young Professional, Development Impact

### Peace Corps Rwanda

2010–2012 Volunteer (Math Education)

## Fields of Interest

Development Economics, Agricultural Economics, Applied Econometrics

## Research in Progress

A few good masks: Evidence from mask manufacturing in Rwanda during the COVID-19 pandemic (with Kieran Byrne, Florence Kondylis, and Denis Mukama). 2025. Conditionally accepted, *Journal of Development Economics*.

Decentralizing agricultural demonstration to accelerate social learning (with Florence Kondylis, Mushfiq Mobarak, Maria Jones, and Dan Stein). 2024.

Cash transfer size and persistence (with Florence Kondylis). 2024.

Intertemporal choice bracketing and the measurement of time preferences (with Yonas Alem and Aprajit Mahajan). 2024.

Local average treatment effects for multiple treatments with multiple instruments. 2024.

Consumer surplus with incomplete markets: Applications to savings and microfinance. 2023.

## Publications

Does gender tagging public works increase women's participation? Experimental evidence from Haiti, Kenya, and Rwanda (with Tanay Balantrapu, Paul Christian, Lelys Dinarte-Diaz, Felipe Dunsch, Jonas Heirman, Dahyeonn Jeong, Erin Kelley, Florence Kondylis, and Gregory Lane). 2025. *AEA Papers and Proceedings* 115 pp. 318-323.

Factor Market Failures and the Adoption of Irrigation in Rwanda (with Maria Jones, Florence Kondylis, and Jeremy Magruder). 2022. *American Economic Review* 112(7) pp. 2316-2352.

## Other publications

Sectoral heterogeneity in the COVID-19 recovery: Evidence from Rwanda (with Kieran Byrne, Saahil Karpe, Florence Kondylis, Megan Lang). 2021. *Featured in Arezki, R., Djankov, S., and Panizza, U. "Shaping Africa's Post-Covid Recovery" (CEPR/VoxEU).*

## Other Information

Languages    English (Native), Kinyarwanda (Intermediate)  
Citizenship    United States

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