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EDUCATION

Ph.D in Economics

Stanford University
2015 - 2020

M.A in Economics

Stanford University
2015 - 2017

B.S in Mathematics & Economics

University of Washington
2011 - 2015

AWARDS

Microsoft Azure Research Grant

Stanford Center for Computational
Social Sciences Fellowship

Stanford Center for Global Poverty
and Development Fellowship

Stanford University - Outstanding
Teaching Assistant Award

University of Washington Dean's
Medal

Awarded to the top graduate in the College
of Social Sciences

University of Washington
Outstanding Paper Award

Awarded to the best Economics
undergraduate thesis

EXPERIENCE

Lightspark - Los Angeles, CA, USA

Head of Data Science | June 2022 - PRESENT

- Led data science at Lightspark as the first, founding data scientist – from designing Lightspark's data architecture, to leading decision and business intelligence, to building productionized applications and features.

Giving What We Can

Advisory Board | March 2024 - PRESENT

- Advisory board member for Giving What We Can (GWWC), a non-profit focused on increasing world-wide charitable giving.

Meta - London, UK

Senior Research Scientist | July 2021 - June 2022
Research Scientist | June 2020 - July 2021

- Senior Cryptoeconomist and Lead Data Scientist for the Diem Association.
- Created Diem's Compliance Transaction Monitoring program, which automatically monitored the Diem Blockchain for financial crimes and illicit activity.

Facebook - Menlo Park, CA, USA

Core Data Science Intern | June 2019 - September 2019

- Wrote a research paper on running and interpreting experiments at scale, via meta-analysis and Empirical Bayesian statistics.

PUBLICATIONS

Barahona, Nano, Joshua Kim, Cristobal Otero, Sebastian Otero (2023). "[Single-Threshold Food Labeling Policies](#)." Working paper.

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

Cunningham, Tom & Joshua Kim (2020). "[Interpreting Experiments with Multiple Outcomes](#)." Working paper.

Carlson, Kyle, Joshua Kim, Annamaria Lusardi, and Colin Camerer (2015). "[Bankruptcy Rates among NFL Players with Short-Lived Income Spikes](#)." *American Economic Review*, 105(5): 381-84