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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EMPLOYMENT

2020 – Assistant Professor of Economics, Dartmouth College
2019 – 2020 Postdoctoral Research Fellow, NYU Furman Center

AFFILIATIONS

2020 – Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research

EDUCATION

2019 Ph.D. Economics, Princeton University
2015 M.A. Economics, Princeton University
2011 B.A. Economics (with Honors), Hamilton College

RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS

Primary Public economics, labor economics
Secondary Poverty and inequality, crime, discrimination, urban economics

PUBLICATIONS

“A Few Bad Apples? Racial Bias in Policing” (with Felipe Goncalves).
American Economic Review 111(5): 1406-41, May 2021.

“More COPS, Less Crime,” *Journal of Public Economics* 172: 174-200, April 2019.

WORKING PAPERS

“Should the Punishment Fit the Crime? Deterrence and Retribution in Law Enforcement” (with Felipe Goncalves). *Submitted*.

“Fines and Financial Wellbeing.”

FELLOWSHIPS, AWARDS, AND HONORS

2020 Excellence in Reviewing Award, *AEJ: Applied* and *AEJ: Policy*
2018 – 2019 Charlotte Elizabeth Procter Honorific Fellowship
2017 – 2018 Fellowship of Woodrow Wilson Scholars
2013 – 2018 Princeton University Graduate Fellowship
2013 – 2015 Industrial Relations Section Graduate Fellowship
2011 Omicron Delta Epsilon Taussig Undergraduate Article Award
2011 Senior Prize in Economics, Hamilton College
2011 Soper Thesis Prize, Hamilton College
2010 Arthur Levitt Public Affairs Center Fellowship, Hamilton College
2009 – 2010 Academic All-NESCAC Team

RESEARCH GRANTS

2022 Rockefeller Center Faculty Research Grant (PI)
2020 – 2021 U.S. Department of Justice #2019-CK-WX-K028 (PI)
2020 – 2023 U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development #H21696 (Co-PI)

INVITED TALKS AND PRESENTATIONS

2021 – 2022 Case Western, UBC, SEA (presenter; discussant), SDSU, Opportunity Insights[†]
2020 – 2021 APPAM (presenter; discussant), Michigan Law (MJLR Symposium)
2019 – 2020 Vassar, UC-Berkeley.[‡]
2018 – 2019 Princeton, Georgetown McCourt, Rochester, Chicago Booth, Boston University,
Dartmouth, NYU Furman Center, Centre for Economic Performance.
2017 – 2018 NBER Summer Institute*, Transatlantic Workshop on the Economics of Crime*,
ASSA/Econometric Society.
2016 – 2017 Hamilton College.
*coauthor presentation; [†]scheduled; [‡]cancelled due to COVID-19.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Refereeing *Quarterly Journal of Economics, American Economic Review, Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economic Studies, AER: Insights, AEJ: Applied Economics, AEJ: Economic Policy, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Law and Economics, Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization, American Law and Economics Review, Journal of Politics.*

Service Co-organizer, Dartmouth Applied Microeconomics Seminar (2020–)
Organizer, Dartmouth Internal Junior Lunch Seminar (2021–)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Dartmouth College

2020 – ECON 28, Public Finance and Public Policy
2021 – ECON 20, Econometrics

Guest Lectures

Summer 2020 Economics of Crime, Bogota Summer School in Economics
Spring 2021 Economics of Discrimination, Ramaz Upper School Economics Club

Princeton University (as TA or Tutor)

2017 ECON 343, Economic Inequality, TA
2016 WWS 507, Quantitative Analysis (MPA), Tutor
2016 WWS Junior Summer Institute, Tutor

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE EXPERIENCE

2015 – 2016 Research Assistant for Prof. Janet Currie (Princeton)
2015 Research Assistant for Prof. Ilyana Kuziemko (Princeton)
2012 – 2013 Research Assistant, Industrial Relations Section (Princeton)
2011 – 2012 Research Assistant for Prof. John Donohue (Stanford Law School)

OTHER ACTIVITIES

2015 – 2016 Graduate Student Advisor, Princeton Development Lab
2014 – 2016 Social Chair, Princeton Graduate Economics Club
2013 Princeton Club Lacrosse
2008 – 2011 Delta Upsilon International Fraternity (Chapter President, 2010)
2007 – 2010 Hamilton College Varsity Football
2009 – 2010 Volunteer Football Coach, Bedford (NH) High School

SKILLS

Computing: Stata, R, SQL, L^AT_EX.

Last updated: March 19, 2022