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AFFILIATIONS AND EMPLOYMENT

2019-	Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Oklahoma
2022-	Research Fellow, Population Wellbeing Initiative, University of Texas at Austin
2022	

Research Affiliate, Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford 2022-

Research Consultant, Independent Evaluation Office, International Monetary Fund 2017

EDUCATION

2019 Ph.D., Economics, University of Texas at Austin

Dissertation: "Essays on Macroeconomic Development Policy"

2014 B.A., Mathematical Economics, Temple University

PUBLISHED & FORTHCOMING WORKS

Are IMF Rescue Packages Effective? A Synthetic Control Analysis of Macroeconomic Crises. Accepted. Journal of Monetary Economics.

Monetizing the Externalities of Animal Agriculture: Insights from an Inclusive Welfare Function (with Jonathan McFadden). Accepted. Social Choice and Welfare.

Population Issues in Welfare Economics, Ethics, and Policy Evaluation (with Dean Spears and Mark Budolfson), Accepted. Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Economics and Finance.

Revenue recycling turns tradeoffs into synergies between climate action and Sustainable Development Goals (with Climate Futures Initiative Team). 2021. Nature Climate Change.

Utilitarian benchmarks for emissions and pledges yield equity, climate, and development advantages (with Mark Budolfson, David Anthoff, Francis Dennig, Frank Errickson, Dean Spears, and Navroz Dubash), 2021. Nature Climate Change.

Assessing IMF Involvement in Fragile States (with Charles Collyns and Shinji Takagi), 2021. Chapter in Macroeconomic Policy in Fragile States (eds. Ralph Chami, Raphael Espinoza, Peter Montiel), Oxford University Press.

Animal-based foods have high climate and social costs (with Frank Errickson and Jonathan McFadden), 2021. Nature Food.

What Should We Agree on about the Repugnant Conclusion? (consensus statement with 20+ coauthors), 2021. *Utilitas*.

WORKING PAPERS

Optimal Population Sizes: Evidence from a Malthusian Semi-Endogenous Growth Model (with Maya Eden)

Heritable fertility is not sufficient to prevent long-run population decline (Research Note with Population Wellbeing Initiative Team) [Revise and Resubmit, Demography]

Foreign Aid and Forecast Errors (with Anjali Priya)

In Progress

Total National Welfare

Major League Baseball Attendance & the Willingness to Pay for a Cooler Day (with Melissa LoPalo and Sean O'Connor)

POLICY WRITINGS

Quantifying India's Climate Vulnerability (with Melissa LoPalo, Dean Spears and Mark Budolfson), 2019. *India Policy Forum Vol 15* (eds. Shekhar Shah, Barry Bosworth, Karthik Muralidharan).

"The IMF and Fragile States: Assessing Macroeconomic Outcomes," 2018. Background research paper (BP 01/05) for *The IMF and Fragile States: Evaluation Report 2018*, Independent Evaluation Office, IMF.

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Conference Presentations and Seminars (* Coauthor Presented)

Livestock, Environment and People (LEAP)*, Oxford Martin School; Welfare Economics and Economic Policy Seminar Series; Global Priorities Workshop, University of Oxford; Early Career Conference Programme, Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford
Population, Climate Change, and Social Welfare Economics, University of Texas at Austin; Early Career Conference Programme, Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford
Centre for Advanced Financial Research and Learning (CAFRAL), Reserve Bank of India; University of Oklahoma; University of South Florida; University of Maine; OU Arts and Sciences Research Discussion Series
India Policy Forum (New Delhi); Macroeconomic Policy in Fragile States, University of

Oxford; Texas A&M University; University of Texas at Austin **Refereeing**

Review of Economics and Statistics (3x); Journal of Monetary Economics; Social Choice and Welfare (3x); International Economics; Nature Scientific Reports

PhD Committees

Sean O'Connor (Chair; 2021)

Zhengang Xu (2021)

Saini Das (2021)

Brent Norwood (2021)

Amir Tayebi (2021)

Tejas Ghirnikar (Expected 2022 graduation)

Salimeh Abedini Birang (Expected 2022 graduation)

Anthony Mayberry (Expected 2022 graduation)

TEACHING

Principles of Macroeconomics (Honors) F 2019; Sp 2020; F 2020; Sp 2021; F 2021

Principles of Macroeconomics (Large Lecture) F 2020; Sp 2021; F 2021

Environmental Economics Sp 2020; F 2021

Independent Readings F 2020

The Mathematics of Money Summer 2016, 2017

(Johns Hopkins Center for Talented Youth, Hong Kong)

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

2021-2022	Longview Philanthropy (Two course releases)
2021	Big XII Faculty Fellowship
2021	Global Priorities Fellow, Forethought Foundation for Global Priorities Research

Junior Faculty Fellowship, University of Oklahoma Research Council

2020 Junior Faculty Fellowship, University of Oklahoma Research Council