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Employment & Affiliations

Current

Senior Fellow and Research Advisor, Washington Center for Equitable Growth (2024–present)
Faculty Affiliate, Lab for Economic Opportunities, University of Notre Dame (2024–present)

Previous

Visiting Scholar, Opportunity and Inclusive Growth Institute, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis (2022–2023)
Senior Economist, White House Council of Economic Advisers (2021–2022)
Economist, U.S. Census Bureau (2016–2024)
Center for Economic Studies (2018–2024)
Center for Administrative Records Research and Applications (2016–2018)
Staff Economist, White House Council of Economic Advisers (2013–2014)

Education

University of Notre Dame

Ph.D., Economics, 2016.
M.A., Economics, 2013.

Northwestern University

B.A., Economics and Mathematics, 2010.

Publications

- “The Effect of Emergency Financial Assistance on Mobility, SNAP Receipt, and Presence of Dependents” (with Daniel Hungerman, David Phillips, James Sullivan, and David Wasser), *AEA Papers and Proceedings*, forthcoming
- “Who Values Human Capitalists’ Human Capital? The Earnings and Labor Supply of U.S. Physicians” (with Joshua Gottlieb, Maria Polyakova, Hugh Shiplett, and Victoria Udalova), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, forthcoming
- “Granular Income Inequality and Mobility using IDDA: Exploring Patterns across Race and Ethnicity” (with Illenin Kondo, Natalie Gubbay, Brandon Hawkins, John Voorheis, and Abigail Wozniak) in *Race, Ethnicity and Economic Statistics for the 21st Century*, ed. Randall Akee, Lawrence Katz, and Mark Loewenstein, forthcoming
- “Did Timing Matter? Life Cycle Differences in Effects of Exposure to the Great Recession,” *Journal of Labor Economics* 40(3), July 2022, 703–735.
- “Labor Market Concentration, Earnings, and Inequality,” *Journal of Human Resources* 57(S), April 2022, S251–S283
- “Beyond the Classroom: The Implications of School Vouchers for Church Finances,” *Review of Economics and Statistics* 101(4), October 2019, 588–601 (with Daniel Hungerman and Jay Frymark)
- “Political Campaigns and Church Contributions,” *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization* 155, November 2018, 403–426 (with Daniel Hungerman, Tim Weninger, and Chung Eun Yoon)
- “Where Does Voucher Funding Go? How Large-Scale Subsidy Programs Affect Private-School Revenue, Enrollment, and Prices,” *Journal of Public Economics* 136, April 2016, 62–85 (with Daniel Hungerman)

Working Papers	<p>“The Effect of Emergency Financial Assistance on Employment and Earnings” (with Daniel Hungerman, David Phillips, and James Sullivan)</p> <p>“Re-examining Regional Income Convergence: A Distributional Approach” (with John Voorheis)</p> <p>“Easing for Whom? Central Bank Asset Purchases and Household Inequality” (with Robert Lester and Ronald Mau)</p> <p>“Income and the Take-Up of Means Tested Programs” (with Amanda Eng)</p> <p>“The Distributional Effects of Minimum Wages: Evidence from Linked Survey and Administrative Data” (with John Voorheis)</p> <p>“Labor Market Effects of the Affordable Care Act: Evidence from a Tax Notch” (with Kavan Kucko and Benjamin Solow; revisions requested, <i>American Economic Journal: Economic Policy</i>)</p> <p>“Undone by the Market? The Effects of School Vouchers on Educational Inputs”</p> <p>“The Effects of ‘Right to Work’ Laws on Wages: Evidence from the Taft-Hartley Act of 1947”</p>
In Progress	<p>A shock by any other name? Reconsidering the impacts of local demand shocks (with Sean Bassler, David Wasser, and Abigail Wozniak)</p> <p>Unemployment insurance generosity and the wages of new hires (with David Wasser)</p> <p>Hospital mergers and the distribution of earnings (with Jonathan Kowarski, Ellie Prager, David Wasser, and Wes Yin)</p> <p>Long-term effects of Medicaid (with Zoey Chopra, Atul Gupta, Amanda Kowalski, Ithai Lurie, Rebecca McKibben, and David Wasser)</p> <p>Long-term effects of exposure to the Great Recession (with David Wasser and Danny Yagan)</p> <p>The rise of healthcare jobs (with Josh Gottlieb, Neale Mahoney, and Victoria Udalova)</p>
Other Projects & Reports	<p>Income Distributions and Dynamics in America: Version 1.0 [Dataset], 2023 (with Il-lenin Kondo, Brandon Hawkins, John Voorheis, Andrew Goodman-Bacon, Natalie Gubbay, and Abigail Wozniak)</p> <p>“Understanding Unemployment Insurance Claims and Other Labor Market Data During the COVID-19 Pandemic,” April 2020</p> <p>“Nonemployer Statistics by Demographics (NES-D): Exploring Longitudinal Consistency and Sub-national Estimates (with Adela Luque, Michaela Dillon, Julia Manzella, James Noon, and Victoria Udalova), December 2019</p> <p>“Nonemployer Statistics by Demographics (NES-D): Using Administrative and Census Records Data in Business Statistics” (with Adela Luque, Renuka Bhaskar, James Noon, and Victoria Udalova), January 2019</p>
Presentations	<p>2025: Upjohn Institute, North Carolina State University (scheduled)</p> <p>2024: Washington Area Labor Economics Symposium, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Cleveland Fed</p> <p>2023: NBER Public Economics Program Meeting, Washington Area Labor Economics Symposium, University of Notre Dame, Minneapolis Fed, Washington DC Urban Economics Day</p> <p>2021: ASSA</p> <p>2020 (<i>canceled due to COVID-19</i>): Washington Area Labor Economics Symposium, Junior Health Economics Summit, EALE/SOLE/AASLE World Conference, <i>Society of Government Economists</i>, <i>NBER Public Economics Program Meeting</i>, <i>University of Mississippi</i>, Southern Economic Association</p> <p>2019: ASSA, Miami University, Richmond Fed, BLS-Census workshop, NBER Summer Institute (Labor Studies)</p>

2018: U.S. Military Academy, NBER Public Economics Program Meeting, Census-IRS Income Measurement Workshop, Society of Government Economists, Society of Labor Economists, Urban Institute, NBER Summer Institute (CRIW), Sundance Conference on Monopsony in Labor Markets, Colby College, APPAM, Bureau of Labor Statistics

2017: BLS-Census workshop, Society of Government Economists, Western Economic Association, APPAM

2012–2016: Joint Committee on Taxation, U.S. Census Bureau, Midwest Economics Association (2x)

Policy Writing

[Briefing Book](#), a newsletter about economic policy, September 2023–present

[The U.S. labor market keeps beating projections](#), November 2024

[Changing earnings requirements for Unemployment Insurance could improve access and better support U.S. workers](#), October 2024

[The upcoming U.S. election’s most important policy effects are under the radar](#), September 2024

[New labor market data suggest that U.S. wage growth may be cooling too much](#), August 2024

[What is going on with wage growth in the United States?](#), May 2024

[The long shadow of the 2001 recession](#), August 2023

[Blocking the Low Road and Paving the High Road: Management Practices to Improve Productivity](#) (with Heather Boushey), April 2022

[Supporting Labor Supply in the American Jobs Plan and the American Families Plan](#) (with Heather Boushey and Lisa Barrow), May 2021

[The Economic Benefits of Extending Permanent Legal Status to Unauthorized Immigrants](#) (with Cecilia Rouse, Lisa Barrow, and Evan Soltas), September 2021

[Why Local Labor Market Concentration Is Lower Than It Used to Be, Even As National Concentration Increases](#), January 2019

[How large-scale subsidy programs affect private school revenue, enrolment, and prices](#) (with Daniel Hungerman), May 2016

Organized Sessions

2021: ASSA (through LERA) – Why and how do labor markets differ?

2018: APPAM – Distributional and Long-Term Effects of Minimum Wages

Grants & Awards

Census Bureau Bronze Medal Award, 2021

Washington Center for Equitable Growth Academic Grant (co-PI, with Abigail Wozniak), 2017

Professional Activities

Member, American Economic Association

Reviewer for *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*; *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*; *American Economic Review*; *Contemporary Economic Policy*; *Economic Inquiry*; *ILR Review*; *Journal of Human Resources*; *Journal of Labor Economics*; *Journal of Labor Research*; *Journal of Public Economics*; *Journal of the European Economic Association*; *Labour Economics*; *Metroeconomica*; *Regional Science and Urban Economics*; *Regulation & Governance*; *Research in Labor Economics*; *Review of Economic Studies*; *Review of Economics and Statistics*; *Southern Economic Journal*; *Yale Journal of Health Policy, Law, and Ethics*; MIT Press; National Science Foundation; Roosevelt Institute; Washington Center for Equitable Growth

Miscellany

Favorably adjudicated for Top Secret security clearance, February 2022

Special Sworn Status, U.S. Census Bureau

References

Available upon request