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EDUCATION

Harvard University, Cambridge, MA *Fall 2019 – Present*
Ph.D. Candidate in Public Policy (Economics Track)
Fields: Public Economics (Primary) & Labor Economics (Secondary)

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL *June 2017*
B.A. in Economics, Mathematics, & Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences (triple major)
Cum Laude; Interdisciplinary Honors in Economics & Mathematical Methods in the Social Sciences

PUBLISHED PAPER

“Employed in a SNAP? The Impact of Work Requirements on Program Participation and Labor Supply” (with Colin Gray, Adam Leive, Elena Prager, and Mary Zaki)
American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, 2023, 15(1): 306-341.

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“SNAP Policies and Enrollment during the COVID-19 Pandemic”
“Stigma and Social Safety Net Program Participation” (with Alice Heath & Michael Holcomb)
“The Impacts of Online Grocery Shopping with SNAP”

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Microsoft Research New England, Cambridge, MA *Summer 2020*
Research Intern with Eleanor Dillon

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA *2017 – 19*
Frank Batten School of Leadership & Public Policy
Research Specialist Intermediate to Jennifer Doleac, Sally Hudson, and Adam Leive

Northwestern University, Evanston, IL *2014 – 17*
Two-Generation Educational Research Team
Research Assistant to Lindsay Chase-Lansdale and Teresa Sommer

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, MA *Spring 2023*
Quantitative Analysis and Empirical Methods II (Master of Public Policy course)
Teaching Fellow for Benjamin Schneer & Teddy Svoronos

Harvard Kennedy School, Cambridge, MA *Spring 2022*
Resources, Incentives, and Choices II: Analysis of Public Policy (Master of Public Policy course)
Teaching Fellow for Mark Shepard

University of Virginia, Charlottesville, VA *Fall 2018*
Advanced Topics in Impact Evaluation (Master of Public Policy course)
Teaching Assistant for Sally Hudson

POLICY WRITING

“SNAP work requirements don’t actually get more people working — but they do drastically limit the availability of food aid.” April 2023. *The Conversation*.

Public comment on the Food Nutrition Service’s Proposed Rule: “Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children: Online Ordering and Transactions and Food Delivery Revisions to Meet the Needs of a Modern, Data-Driven Program.” May 2023.

REFEREEING

The Quarterly Journal of Economics

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Agriculture & Applied Economics Association Annual Conference	July 2023
Western Economic Association International Annual Conference	July 2022

SELECTED FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

Stone PhD Scholar, James M. and Cathleen D. Stone Program in Wealth Distribution, Inequality & Social Policy, Harvard University	2021 – Present
National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship	2019 – Present
Stone Research Grant, James M. and Cathleen D. Stone Program in Wealth Distribution, Inequality & Social Policy, Harvard University	2023
Division of Social Sciences Fund (with Michael Holcomb), Harvard University	2022
Mind Brain Behavior Graduate Student Award (with Alice Heath), Harvard University	2021 – 22
Harvard Center for American Political Studies Graduate Seed Grant (with Alice Heath)	2021 – 22
Harvard Graduate Prize Fellowship	2019
Phi Beta Kappa (inducted as a junior)	2016
Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship	2016

MENTORSHIP

Northwestern University’s Womxn in Economics, Panel Speaker	Fall 2023
Harvard Undergraduates for Inclusion in Economics, Mentor	2022
MIT / Harvard Economics Application Assistance and Mentoring Program, Mentor	2021 – 22
Harvard Public Policy PhD Program, Peer Mentor	2020 – 22

LEADERSHIP & SERVICE

Harvard Kennedy PhD Student Association	2021 – 23
Student-Faculty Engagement & Social Committee Co-Chair	
Harvard TaxHelp, Volunteer Tax Preparer	2020
Harvard Econometrics Reading Group, Organizer	2020

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Mosaic Economic Project, Progressive Policy Institute, Member, 4th Cohort	2022
Cross-Harvard Study Group on the Future of Work, Student Team Member	Spring 2021
<i>In collaboration with the Massachusetts Healthcare Collaborative</i>	

SKILLS

Computer	Proficient in Stata, R, L ^A T _E X, Git/GitHub, Microsoft Office
	Experience with Python, HTML, BASH, ArcGIS, Matlab
Language	English (native), Spanish (fluent), Mandarin (basic)

Last Updated: November 2023