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Academic Positions and Affiliations

2023-Pres Assistant Professor, UT Austin LBJ School of Public Affairs
2022-Pres Research Affiliate, Children's Data Network

Education

2023 Ph.D in Economics; University of California San Diego
2019 M.A. in Economics; University of California San Diego
2014 B.A. in Environmental Studies and Law, Letters & Society; University of Chicago

Publications

"Anticipation and Environmental Regulation" (with Matt Zaragoza-Watkins), *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management* 89 (2018): 255-277.

Working Papers

"Income and Child Maltreatment: Evidence from a Discontinuity in Tax Benefits"

"Algorithms, Humans, and Racial Disparities in the Child Protection System: Evidence from the Allegheny Family Screening Tool" (with Emily Putnam-Hornstein and Rhema Vaithianathan)

"The Effect of Smoking on Mental Health: Evidence from a Randomized Trial" (with Katherine Meckel)

Work in Progress

"Child Maltreatment Investigations and Family Well-being" (with Lindsey Lacey and David Simon)

Teaching Experience

At UT Austin

Research Design and Methods Spring 2024
Economics, Discrimination and Policy Fall 2023

As instructor of record at UC San Diego

Economics of Discrimination Fall 2021, Spring 2022
Principles of Microeconomics Summer 2021

Fellowships and Awards

2021-2022 UCSD Economics Clive Granger Research Fellowship Award
2021-2022 UCSD Economics Associate-Instructor Teaching Award
2021-2022 UCSD Institute for Practical Ethics Data Analytic Fellowship

Conference Presentations and Invited Seminars

- 2024 American Economic Association Annual Meeting; Atlanta Workshop on Public Policy and Child Well-being; University of Missouri
- 2023 University of Connecticut; University of Victoria; University of Alaska Anchorage; Brandeis University; University of Virginia Frank Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy; University of Texas at Austin Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs; University of Notre Dame; University of Pittsburgh; NBER Children's Spring Meeting; National Tax Association 116th Annual Conference on Taxation
- 2022 National Tax Association 115th Annual Conference on Taxation (accepted talk); Allegheny County Department of Human Services; Children's Data Network, University of Southern California; California Department of Health and Human Services; James Madison University; Stony Brook University
- 2021 Children's Data Network, University of Southern California
- 2020 Southern Economics Association 92nd Annual Meeting

Referee

Demography; Journal of Human Resources; Journal of Policy Analysis and Management; Quarterly Journal of Economics