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## Education

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### Brandeis University

*PhD - International Economics and Finance*

**Boston, MA**

*2012–2016*

### Brandeis University

*M.S. International Economics and Finance*

**Boston, MA**

*2012*

### School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) at Johns Hopkins

*Graduate Diploma - International Relations and Economics*

**Bologna, Italy**

*2009–2010*

### University of California, Los Angeles

*B.S. Mathematics, with honors*

**Los Angeles, CA**

*2003–2007*

## Research

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Work in Progress.....

### Mortgage Contracts and Household Net Worth

*Solo-authored paper*

### Understanding the Debt Growth that Preceded the Great Recession: Empirical Issues

*With Christopher L. Foote and Paul S. Willen*

### Home Equity and Small Business Finance

*With Debarshi Nandy*

Working Papers.....

### Cross-Sectional Patterns of Mortgage Debt during the Housing Boom: Evidence and Implications

*With Christopher L. Foote and Paul S. Willen*

### Competition Among Retail Depository Institutions: The Market Power of Credit Unions.

*Solo-authored paper*

### Anchoring or Loss Aversion? Empirical Evidence from Art Auctions

*With Kathryn Graddy, Michael Moses, Jianping Mei, and Rachel Pownall*

## Experience

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Research.....

### Trade and Competitiveness Global Practice Group

*Short-term consultant*

**World Bank**

*2015–Present*

### Research Department

*Senior Research Assistant*

**Federal Reserve Bank of Boston**

*2014–Present*

### Advanced Research Center

*Intern, Global Active Equities Group*

**State Street Global Advisors**

*2012*

### Office of Economics

*Intern*

**US International Trade Commission**

*2011*

○ US-ASEAN trade relations research group

○ Research assistant to lead economist Michael Ferrantino

### Office of Economics

*Intern*

**US International Trade Commission**

*2010*

○ Chinese indigenous innovation research group

○ India-US trade research program

### Ideas and Economic Crises from Attlee to Blair(1945–2005)

*Research Assistant, Professor Matthias Mattjis*

**SAIS**

*2010*

Teaching.....	
<b>Intermediate Microeconomics (Undergraduate)</b>	<b>Brandeis University Summer School</b>
<i>Instructor</i>	<i>2012, 2014</i>
<b>Time Series Econometrics (Graduate)</b>	<b>Brandeis University</b>
<i>Teaching Assistant, Professor Davide Pettenuzzo</i>	<i>2014</i>
<b>Empirical Industrial Organization (Graduate)</b>	<b>Brandeis University</b>
<i>Teaching Assistant, Professor Ben Shiller</i>	<i>2013</i>
<b>Game Theory (Undergraduate)</b>	<b>Brandeis University</b>
<i>Teaching Assistant, Professor Adam Jaffe</i>	<i>2012</i>
<b>International Trade (Undergraduate)</b>	<b>Brandeis University</b>
<i>Teaching Assistant, Professor Rachel McCulloch</i>	<i>2010</i>

## Honors and Awards

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<b>Humane Studies Fellowship:</b>	<i>2014–2015</i>
<b>AFA Student Travel Award:</b>	<i>2014</i>
<b>Kauffman Dissertation Fellowship:</b>	<i>2013</i>
<b>Brandeis University Graduate Student Fellowship:</b>	<i>2012-2014</i>
<b>Daisy International Prize: 3rd place</b>	<i>2006</i>
<b>Best Columnist for the UCLA Daily Bruin:</b>	<i>2012</i>
<b>California Golden State Scholarship:</b>	<i>2003</i>
<b>California State Art Scholar:</b>	<i>2002</i>

## Languages

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English (native), German (intermediate), and a little bit of Italian, Chinese, Arabic, and Spanish

## Citizenship

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The US, UK, and Switzerland

## References

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### **Kathryn Graddy**

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### **Blake LeBaron**

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