

# MAX GROSS

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Labor Economics • Economics of Education • Child Welfare  
Causal Inference Methodology • Public Policy

## POSITIONS

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### Mathematica

Researcher, Human Services 08/2020 – Present

### University of Michigan

Research Affiliate, Youth Policy Lab 05/2020 – Present

Research Affiliate, Education Policy Initiative 05/2020 – Present

Research Assistant, Brian Jacob 09/2016 – 08/2018

### University of Maryland

Research Assistant, Ethan Kaplan 09/2012 – 06/2014

### Power Auctions LLC

Intern, Quality Assurance 06/2014 – 08/2014

### United States Census Bureau

Intern, Economic Statistical Methods Division 06/2013 – 08/2013

### University of Washington

Undergraduate Researcher, Department of Mathematics 06/2012 – 08/2012

## EDUCATION

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**Ph.D. Economics** 2020

University of Michigan

Dissertation Chair: Dr. Brian Jacob

Dissertation: Advancing the Opportunities of Underserved Students:  
Lessons from Child Welfare, Education, and the Labor Market

**M.A. Economics** 2015

University of Michigan

**B.A. Economics** 2014

University of Maryland

With honors

**B.S. Mathematics** 2014

University of Maryland

With honors

## HONORS & AWARDS

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IES Training Fellowship in Causal Inference in Education Policy Research	09/2016 – 05/2020
Rackham Merit Fellowship, University of Michigan	09/2014 – 05/2020
Bobbe and Jon Bridge Award for Engaged Scholarship	01/2018
Department of Economics Summer Research Award, University of Michigan	2014, 2015
Sujon Guha Award for Best Senior Economics Thesis, University of Maryland	05/2014
Junior Fellow, Joint Program in Survey Methodology	06/2013 – 08/2013

## RESEARCH & WRITING

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### Peer-Reviewed Publications

Max Gross and E. Jason Baron. (2021). Temporary Stays and Persistent Gains: The Causal Effects of Foster Care. Forthcoming, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*. [[Link](#)]

Silvia Robles, Max Gross, and Robert W. Fairlie. (2021). The Effects of Course Shutouts on Community College Students: Evidence from Waitlist Cutoffs. Forthcoming, *Journal of Public Economics*. [[Link](#)]

Joseph P. Ryan, Brian A. Jacob, Max Gross, Andrew Moore, Brian E. Perron, and Sharlyn Ferguson. (2018). Early Exposure to Child Maltreatment and Educational Outcomes. *Child Maltreatment*, 23(4):365-375. [[Link](#)]

### Working Papers

Max Gross, Brian A. Jacob, and Kelly Lovett. (2019). The Effect of Summer Employment on the Educational Attainment of Under-Resourced Youth. [[Link](#)]

### Research in Progress

Anthony Bald, Joseph J. Doyle Jr., Max Gross, Brian A. Jacob. Economics of Child Protection.

E. Jason Baron, Max Gross, Brian A. Jacob, and Joseph P. Ryan. Child Maltreatment, High School Graduation, and Adult Arrests.

### Policy Briefs

Silvia Robles, Max Gross, and Robert W. Fairlie. (2021). Course closed: Using Waitlists to Study the Effects of Course Shutouts on Community College Students. *Wheelhouse: The Center for Community College Leadership and Research, University of California, Davis*. [[Link](#)]

Max Gross. (2020). Foster Care and Children's Wellbeing. *Youth Policy Lab and Child and Adolescent Data Lab, University of Michigan*. [[Link](#)]

Max Gross, Brian A. Jacob, and Kelly Lovett. (2018). Grow Detroit's Young Talent. *Youth Policy Lab, University of Michigan*. [[Link](#)]

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Principles of Microeconomics I</b> Teaching Assistant, University of Michigan	09/2015 – 08/2016
<b>Developmental Mathematics</b> Teaching Assistant, University of Maryland	09/2012 – 12/2012

## PRESENTATIONS

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<b>2021</b> University of Missouri, Department of Economics (scheduled)	Virtual
<b>2020</b> Association for Education Finance and Policy Annual Conference Association for Public Policy and Management Fall Research Conference	Virtual Virtual
<b>2019</b> Health, History, Demography, and Development (H2D2) Research Day Mathematica Abt Associates	Ann Arbor, MI Washington, DC Rockville, MD
<b>2018</b> Association for Public Policy and Management Fall Research Conference University of Michigan, Department of Statistics	Washington, DC Ann Arbor, MI
<b>2013</b> Joint Mathematics Meetings	San Diego, CA

## SERVICE

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<b>Avalon Housing</b> Volunteer, After School Youth Development Program	01/2017 – 06/2020
<b>Causal Inference in Education Research Seminar</b> Organizer	05/2018 – 09/2019
<b>Winning Futures Mentorship Program</b> Volunteer, Program Evaluation Consultant	10/2016 – 04/2017
<b>University of Michigan Graduate Economics Society</b> Social Chair	09/2015 – 08/2016
<b>America Reads America Counts</b> Volunteer, Early Literacy Program	09/2011 – 05/2014

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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**Referee:** American Economic Journal: Applied Economics

**Member:** Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Association for Education Finance and Policy

**Certification:** What Works Clearinghouse Certified Reviewer

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