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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics | Behavioral Economics | Environmental Economics | Urban Economics

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Applied Economics – University of Minnesota	Present
M.S. in International and Development Economics – University of San Francisco	2020
B.S. in Economics – Saint Louis University	2018
B.S. in International Business – Saint Louis University	2018
Visiting Student	
Saint Louis University – Madrid	2017 – 2018
Bond University	2016
Spring Hill College – Bologna	2016

PRE-DOCTORAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Minnesota <i>Research Assistant Department of Applied Economics</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Supervised by Dr. Chengyan Yue — Neuroeconomics	Aug. 2023 – Present Saint Paul, MN
University of Michigan <i>Research Area Specialist Associate Population Studies Center</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Supervised by Dr. Dean Yang and Dr. Tanya Rosenblat — Development Economics	Jun. 2020 – Aug. 2022 Ann Arbor, MI
University of San Francisco <i>Research Assistant Economics Department</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Supervised by Dr. Jesse Anttila-Hughes — Environmental Economics	Feb. 2019 – Aug. 2020 San Francisco, CA
BRAC Uganda <i>Research Intern Independent Evaluation and Research Center</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Supervised by Dr. Munshi Sulaiman and Danish Us Salam — Development Economics	May 2019 – Aug. 2019 Kampala, Uganda
University of San Francisco <i>Business Intelligence Analyst Intern Office of Research and Analytics</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Supervised by Calypso Fugit — Demography	Jul. 2018 – Jan. 2019 San Francisco, CA
Saint Louis University – Madrid <i>Research Assistant Business and Economics Department</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Supervised by Dr. Paolo Saono and Dr. Laura Muro — Business and Gender Economics	Jan. 2018 – May 2018 Madrid, Spain
Saint Louis University <i>Research Assistant Economics Department</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">Supervised by Dr. Hailong Qian — Urban Economics	Jan. 2017 – May 2017 Saint Louis, MO

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Instructor

————— Applied Economics Math Review Doctoral University of Minnesota 2023

Teaching Assistant

APEC 3003	Intro. to Applied Econometrics	Bachelors	University of Minnesota	2023
ECON 620	Graduate Econometrics	Masters	University of San Francisco	2020
ECON 427	Applied Econometrics Capstone	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020
ECON 312	Intermediate Macroeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020
ECON 111	Principles of Microeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020
ECON 615	Mathematics for Economists	Masters	University of San Francisco	2019
ECON 112	Principles of Macroeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2019

Guest Lectures

APEC 3003	Intro. to Applied Econometrics	Bachelors	University of Minnesota	2023
ECON 312	Intermediate Macroeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020
ECON 615	Mathematics for Economists	Masters	University of San Francisco	2019

Tutor

MATH 106	Business Statistics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
MATH 104	Algebra & Trigonometry	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
ECON 372	Development Economics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
ECON 312	Intermediate Macroeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
ECON 112	Principles of Macroeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
BSM 302	Marketing Principles	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
SOC 150	Introduction to Sociology	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019

PUBLICATIONS

2. *Does Board Gender Diversity and Remuneration Impact Earnings Quality? An Empirical Analysis of Spanish Firms*, joint with Paolo Saono, Laura Muro, and Pablo San Martin (Forthcoming at **Gender in Management: An International Journal**)
1. *Cruising Through School: General Equilibrium Effects of Cruise Ship Arrivals on Employment and Education*. **The American Economist**. 2022, 67(1), 5 – 23.

WORKING PAPERS

2. *The Impact of Early Childhood Development Interventions on Children's Health in Developing Countries: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis of Randomized Controlled Trials*, joint with Pallavi Prabhakar and Ayo Ellis (Revise and Resubmit at Journal of Development Effectiveness)
1. *Market Access and Quality Upgrading: Evidence from Four Field Experiments. A Replication Study of Bold et al.* (*American Economic Review*, 2022), joint with Karim Nchare and Pu Sun (Under Review at Journal of Comments and Replications in Economics)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

5. *'The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands' (Proverbs 30:27): Locust Swarms and Economic Damages*, joint with Mustafa Zahid
4. *The Economic Value of Protected Areas in Conservation*, joint with Matthew Braaskma
3. *American Tornadoes: Tornado Shocks on U.S. Metropolises*, joint with Jesse Anttila-Hughes
2. *Sex and Sexual Orientation in Economics Preferences*, joint with Alessandra Cassar
1. *Emotional Cues: Evidence from Unexpected Gains and Losses*, joint with Qingxiao Li

PERMANENT WORKING PAPERS

2. *Stata Tip: Consistency and Communication in Team Dofiles*, joint with James Allen IV and Hang Yu. **SSRN Working Paper Series**. 2021, (3965114).

1. *Contrasting Incentives for Earnings Management: Board Activity and Board Remuneration in Spanish Firms*, joint with Paolo Saono, Laura Muro, and Mauricio Jara-Bertin. **ResearchGate Working Paper Series**. 2019 (2.2.11103.00163).

POLICY BRIEFS

3. *An Evaluation of the PEPFAR-Funded Força A Comunidade E Crianças (FCC) Program in Mozambique*, joint with Dean Yang, James Allen IV, Arlete Mahumane, James Riddell IV, and Hang Yu. **USAID Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Markets, Risk, & Resilience**. 2022.
2. *Combining Financial Incentives and Teaching to Improve COVID-19 Knowledge: A Policy Brief*, joint with James Allen IV, Patricia Freitag, Faustino Lessitala, Arlete Mahumane, Laston Manja, James Riddell IV, Tanya Rosenblat, Kwasi Tabiri, Dean Yang, and Hang Yu. **University of Michigan**. 2022.
1. *Correcting Misperceptions about Support for Social Distancing to Combat COVID-19: A Policy Brief*, joint with James Allen IV, Patricia Freitag, Faustino Lessitala, Arlete Mahumane, Laston Manja, James Riddell IV, Tanya Rosenblat, Kwasi Tabiri, Dean Yang, and Hang Yu. **University of Michigan**. 2022.

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Applied Social Science Associations (ASSA) Annual Meeting	2024, 2021
Upper Mississippi River Basin Ecosystem Services Project (UMRBESP) Workshop	2023
Nordic Conference in Development Economics (NCDE)	2023°
CFANS Research Symposium, University of Minnesota	2023
Annual Michigan University-Wide Sustainability & Environment (MUSE) Conference	2022, 2021
Annual International Conference on Sustainable Development (ICSD)	2021
Annual Creative Art and Research Day (CARD) Conference	2020
◦ Presented by Co-author	

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

Applied Economics Student Seminar Series, University of Minnesota	2023
Community Development Branch, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland	2022
Seminar Organizer	
Applied Economics Student Seminar Series, University of Minnesota	2023 – 2024

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Administrative:	G Suite Git LaTeX Microsoft Office Suite Prezi
Financial:	Bloomberg Marketing Concepts (BMC) Thompson Reuters' Eikon
Languages:	Italian (Conversant) Latin (Proficient) Portuguese (Beginner) Spanish (Beginner)
Statistical:	ArcGIS Earth Engine MatLab Python R Stata SQL Tableau
Survey Design:	ODK SurveyCTO Qualtrics
Survey Implementation:	In-Person Household Visits Phone Call Surveys Digital Survey Forms

RECOGNITIONS

Research Awards

2022	10th Michael Szenberg Prize for the Best Article Published in The American Economist
2021	Irving Fisher Graduate Research Paper Prize – Omicron Delta Epsilon
2020	Jacques Artus Award, Outstanding Thesis – University of San Francisco

Fellowships & Scholarships

2022	Graduate Fellowship – Applied Economics, University of Minnesota
2019	Merit Based Scholarship – University of San Francisco
2016	Boeing Bold Scholarship – Saint Louis University
	Sax International Business Scholarship – Saint Louis University
2014	Merit Based Scholarship – Saint Louis University

Miscellaneous

2018	Motley Fool College Competition Winner
2009	Eagle Scout

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND AFFILIATIONS

Reviewer Services

Journals	Gender in Management: An International Journal (1)	
Conferences	Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE) Summer Conference	2023
Grants	Council of Graduate Students (COGS), University of Minnesota	2023

Affiliations

2023	American Economic Association (AEA)
	Agricultural & Applied Economics Associations (AAEA)
	Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE)
2019	Omicron Delta Epsilon (ODE)
2018	Saint Louis University – Madrid Microfinance (<i>Past Treasurer</i>)
2016	Global Brigades Microfinance
2015	Amnesty International (<i>Past Saint Louis University President</i>)

Committee Membership

External	Digital Marketing Advisory Council – University of South Florida, College of Business	2022
	Alumni Committee – University of San Francisco, Economics Department	2022, 2021, 2021
Internal	DEI Committee – University of Minnesota, ISRDI	2023
	Pre-Doc Hiring Committee – University of Michigan, Institute for Social Research	2021
	Service Leadership Advisory Board – Saint Louis University	2018, 2017, 2016, 2015

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

2023	PhD Course on Environmental Economics – BREAD – IGC
	PhD Course on Firms and Development – BREAD – IGC
2021	World Bank Group's Manage Successful Impact Evaluation Surveys Course – World Bank
	Accessing and Analyzing Census Data Using R – SSDAN Network
2018	Minor in Italian Studies – Saint Louis University
	Minor in Service Leadership – Saint Louis University
2016	Bloomberg Marketing Concepts – Bloomberg LP

MENTORING

Research Assistance

Ivan Manhique	Research Assistant	—————→	University of Essex
Kwasi Tabiri	Research Assistant	—————→	McGill University
Erik Tiersten-Nyman	Research Assistant	—————→	Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
Laston Manja	Research Assistant	—————→	University of Michigan
Arika Kayastha	Research Assistant	—————→	International Monetary Fund
Dedrick McCord	Research Intern	—————→	Atlanta Public School System
Sidi Cheng	Research Intern	—————→	Virginia Commonwealth University
Chenhao Yu	Research Assistant	—————→	University of Chicago