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RESEARCH FIELDS	Labor economics, public economics	
REFERENCES	Brian A. Jacob Ford School of Public Policy and Department of Economics University of Michigan bajacob@umich.edu	Basit Zafar Department of Economics University of Michigan basitak@gmail.com
EDUCATION	University of Michigan , Ann Arbor, MI USA <i>Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy & Department of Economics</i> Ph.D. Student, Public Policy & Economics (expected graduation date: May 2027) M.A., Economics, May 2023	
	Boston University , Boston, Massachusetts USA <i>Department of Economics and Department of Sociology</i> B.A. (<i>summa cum laude</i> w/ departmental honors), Economics & Sociology, May 2018	
HONORS AND AWARDS	Eckstein Prize for Interdisciplinary Research and Policy Analysis, 2024 Outstanding 3rd Year Paper Award, Michigan Department of Economics, 2024 (for “ <i>Distributional Consequences of Supply Expansions in Homeownership Market</i> ”) Highest Distinction, Microeconomics and Macroeconomics PhD Preliminary Exams, 2021 Presidential Scholarship, Boston University, 2014-2018	
FUNDING AND FELLOWSHIPS	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (NSF GRFP) Institute of Education Sciences (IES) Pre-Doctoral Fellowship Sarri Family Fellowship for Research on Educational Attainment of Children in Low Income Families, Michigan Institute for Social Research (ISR) - \$6,000 Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies, 2024 - \$2,500 Graduate Student Research Grant, Michigan Rackham Graduate School, 2024 and 2025 - \$4,500 Graduate Research Grant, Michigan Department of Economics, 2023 and 2024 - \$12,000	
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	University of Michigan , Ann Arbor, MI USA <i>Research Assistant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Basit Zafar (2024-2025)• Brian A. Jacob (2022-2025)• Sara Heller & Ashley Craig (2022) Johns Hopkins University , Baltimore, MD USA <i>Research Assistant</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• PI: Lauren Hersch Nicholas	2022-2025 2018-2021

Research Intern

- Office of Economic Empowerment

PAPERS IN
PROGRESS

- “When Opportunity Moves to You: Housing Deregulation and the Distribution of Child Outcomes”
(FSRDC Project #3114)
- “Do Faculty Affect Their Students’ Political Beliefs?” (with Joaquín Endara, Anneliese Paulson)
- “School Reporting Cultures” (with E. Jason Baron, Joseph J. Doyle, Jr., Maria D. Fitzpatrick, Brian A. Jacob, Joseph Ryan)
- “Peer Socioeconomic Mismatch and Student Expectations and Achievement’ (with Nikhil Rao)

PUBLICATIONS

- Baum, M. Y., & Jacob, B. A. (2024). Racial differences in parent response to COVID schooling policies. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 121(3), e2307308120. (NBER WP #31765).
- Brockman, S. L., Camo-Biogradlja, J., Ratledge, A., O'Donoghue, R., Baum, M. Y., & Jacob, B. (2023). Forging a path to college persistence: An experimental evaluation of the Detroit Promise Path program. *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, 01623737241230474.
- Nicholas, L. H., Halpern, S. D., Weir, D. R., Baum, M. Y., Nolan, M., Gallo, J., & Langa, K. M. (2023). Decision Making for Patients With Severe Dementia Versus Normal Cognition Near the End of Life. *Innovation in Aging*, 7(7), igad081.
- Baum, M. Y., Gallo, J. J., Nolan, M. T., Langa, K. M., Halpern, S. D., Macis, M., & Nicholas, L. H. (2021). Does it matter who decides? Outcomes of surrogate decision-making for community-dwelling, cognitively impaired older adults near the end of life. *Journal of pain and symptom management*, 62(6), 1126-1134.
- Matta, S., Hsu, J. W., Iwashyna, T. J., Baum, M. Y., Langa, K. M., & Nicholas, L. H. (2021). Identifying cohabiting couples in administrative data: evidence from Medicare address data. *Health Services and Outcomes Research Methodology*, 21, 238-247.
- Nicholas, L. H., & Baum, M. Y. (2020). Wills, public policy, and financial well-being among surviving spouses. *The Journal of the Economics of Ageing*, 16100211.

Nicholas, L. H., Done, N., & Baum, M. (2020). Lifetime job demands and later life disability. *The Journal of the Economics of Ageing*, 17100184.

PRESENTATIONS

- 2026: AEA/ASSA Annual Meeting (*scheduled*)
- 2025: APPAM Annual Conference, NTA Annual Meeting, Michigan Public Finance Lunch Seminar (PFFLS), Michigan Causal Inference in Education Research Seminar (CIERS), Institute for Humane Studies Summer Graduate Conference
- 2024: AREUEA Annual Conference, Congressional Budget Office, Michigan CIERS, Michigan H2D2 student seminar, Michigan Labor Lunch
- 2023: Michigan CIERS, AEFP Annual Conference

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE

- Referee Service: *The Economic Journal, Journal of Public Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics*

Michigan Education Policy Initiative: Causal Inference in Education Research Seminar (CIERS)
Coordinator (2025-26)

Michigan PhD Program in Public Policy & Economics: Admissions Committee (2023)

Michigan Graduate Economics Society: Social Chair (2023)

TEACHING
EXPERIENCE

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI USA
Economics of Education

Winter 2024

- Upper-level undergraduate research writing course
- Average student evaluation: 4.9 / 5.0

Intermediate Introduction to Statistics and Econometrics I

Fall 2023

- Upper-level undergraduate course in econometrics
- Average student evaluation: 4.8 / 5.0

The Commodore John Rodgers Elementary School, Baltimore, MD USA

K-3 reading tutor

2020-2021

- AmeriCorps Literacy Lab

Mifflin High School, Columbus, OH USA

English and Math teacher, tutor, and mentor

2013-2014

- AmeriCorps City Year

SOFTWARE

Stata, R, Python, Matlab, GIS

CITIZENSHIP

United States of America, United Kingdom

OTHER

Special Sworn Status (US Census Bureau)