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**DESIRED RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS:**

**PRIMARY**

Development Economics  
Public Economics

**SECONDARY**

Applied Microeconomics

**FIELDS OF CONCENTRATION:**

Development Economics, Public Economics

**DISSERTATION TITLE:** “Essays on Field Experiments in Development Economics”

Expected Date of Completion:

May 2017

Principal Advisor:

Professor Edward Miguel

Other References:

Professors Fred Finan, Danny Yagan and Paul Niehaus (UCSD)

**PRE-DOCTORAL STUDIES:**

Stanford University

**DEGREE**

BA

**DATE**

2009

**FIELD**

Economics

**PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:**

**RESEARCH:**

Graduate Student Researcher, Department of Economics, UC Berkeley (2012-2013, 2017)

Professor Edward Miguel

Research Associate / Assistant Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of New York (2009-2011)

Money and Payments Studies Function, Research Group

Summer Analyst, Cornerstone Research (2008)

**TEACHING:**

Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, UC Berkeley (Spring 2014)

Graduate Development Economics

**PUBLICATIONS:**

“Repo Runs: Evidence from the Tri-Party Repo Market”,

With Adam Copeland and Antoine Martin, *Journal of Finance*, vol. 69(6), 2014.

**PAPERS:**

Informal Taxation and Cash Transfers: Experimental Evidence from Kenya (Job Market Paper)

Household Welfare Effects of Cash Transfers: Evidence from a Large-Scale RCT in Kenya (in preparation)

With Johannes Haushofer, Edward Miguel and Paul Niehaus

**RESEARCH AND GRANTS:**

2017 How Cash Transfers Shape Citizen-State Interactions (with Kate Orkin), JPAL GI (~\$50,000)

2014 - 2016 General Equilibrium Effects of Cash Transfers in Kenya (with Johannes Haushofer, Edward Miguel and Paul Niehaus), DFID/PEDL (~\$350,000), IGC (~\$380,000), Anonymous donor (~\$445,000)

2015 Decentralization and Rural Electrification in Kenya (with Ken Lee), AidData (~\$70,000)

**FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS:**

2012-2017 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship

2014 George Break Prize (Best performance in public finance field courses), UC Berkeley

2009 Phi Beta Kappa

**OTHER INFORMATION:**

Affiliations: AidData Research Consortium

Languages: English (native), Spanish (intermediate), Swahili (basic)

Citizenship: USA