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**Current position**

University of Essex, Department of Economics  
Lecturer, July 2020 - present

**Education**

PhD, Economics, Brown University, 2020  
MA, Economics, Brown University, 2015  
BA, Economics, Haverford College, 2011

**Peer-reviewed publications**

“The Broad Decline in Health and Human Capital of Americans Born after 1947”  
*Forthcoming at American Economic Review: Insights*

“Increased Mortality of White Americans and a Decline in the Health of Cohorts Born after WWII”  
*Forthcoming at the Journal of Human Resources*

“The Paper Trail of Knowledge Spillovers: Evidence from Patent Interferences” (with Ina Ganguli and Jeffrey Lin) *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*. 12(2): 278-302, April 2020

**Working papers**

“Patent Text and Long-Run Innovation Dynamics: The Critical Role of Model Selection” with Ina Ganguli, Jeffrey Lin, and Vitaly Meursault  
September 2024

“Local Average Cohort Effects”  
October 2024

“Stunted Adolescence: The Anomalous Growth Pattern of Americans Born in the 1960s”  
October 2024

**Research grants**

“Why did health and human capital decline for Americans born after 1947, and was there a similar decline in the United Kingdom and Canada?” BA/Leverhulme Small Research Grant, PI, £9,928

**Teaching Experience:**

University of Essex:  
Undergraduate Health Economics, 2021-2024  
PhD Applied Research Methods (Causal Inference), 2021-2024

Brown University:  
Labor and Population (PhD-level Empirical Methods and Causal Inference)  
teaching fellow for Professor Kenneth Chay, 2018  
1st Year PhD Macroeconomics

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teaching fellow for Professor Neil Mehrotra and Professor Gauti Eggertson, 2016  
teaching fellow for Professor Oded Galor and Professor Peter Howitt, 2015

### **Presentations**

- 2024 Scottish Economic Society Annual Meeting, Essen Health Economics Seminar, RWI - Leibniz Institute for Economic Research, European Economic Association Annual Meeting (cancelled)
- 2023 European Economic Association Annual Meeting
- 2022 Human Mortality Database Symposium
- 2021 NBER Summer Institute (Aging session and Health session), European Economic Association Annual Meeting, European Association of Labor Economics Annual Conference
- 2020 University of Essex, Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research, Lehigh University, TRENDS meeting (at University of Michigan, sponsored by National Institute on Aging), Max Planck/NBER Workshop on Ageing and Health (planned but cancelled due to Covid)
- 2019 Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Human Mortality Database Symposium (Max Planck Institute for Demographic Research), Population Health Science Research Workshop (University of Pennsylvania)
- 2018 Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Population Health Science Research Workshop (Boston University)

### **Honors, Scholarships, and Fellowships:**

- 2019-2020, Demography Trainee of NIH T32 Training Grant
- 2017-2019, NBER Predoctoral Fellow, Economics of an Aging Labor Force
- 2016-2017, Demography Trainee of NIH T32 Training Grant
- 2017, 3rd Year Paper Prize, Brown Economics
- 2016, Graduate Teaching Award, Brown Economics
- 2016, Distinction, 2nd Year Field Exam, Brown Economics

### **Referee service**

*Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS), Journal of Urban Economics, European Economic Review, Journal of Economic Inequality, Rapid Reviews: COVID-19*

### **Previous Employment:**

- 2016 Research Assistant for Professor David N. Weil
- 2015-2016 Research Assistant for Professor Stelios Michalopoulos
- 2012-2014 Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, Research Assistant for Jeffrey Lin

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