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Employment

Naval Postgraduate School
Assistant Professor, 2020-

Education

Ph.D. University of California, Berkeley, 2020
Economics

B.A. University of California, Santa Barbara, 2010
Economics

Teaching

2020- Introduction to probability and statistics, Naval Postgraduate School
2020- Multivariate data analysis (Applied econometrics), Naval Postgraduate School
2018 Program evaluation, UC Berkeley Goldman School of Public Policy
2013-2014 Game theory and psychology, Harvard and MIT

Working Papers

[“What happens in vagueness”](#) (w/ Peter DeScioli, Kyle Thomas, and Steven Pinker) Revise and resubmit, *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*
[“Racial inequality in the U.S. unemployment insurance system”](#) (w/ Daphné Skandalis and Ioana Marinescu). *NBER Working paper No. 30252*
[“Air pollution and birth weight: Evidence from extremely polluted places”](#)
[“Job search and unemployment insurance: New evidence from one million audits”](#)

Publications and Accepted Papers

[“Rubbing Shoulders: Class Segregation in Daily Activities”](#) (w/ Nathan Wilmers). Accepted, *Journal of Public Economics*
[“Family formation and crime”](#) (w/ Evan K. Rose) *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 2024.
[“A new racial disparity in traffic fatalities”](#) (w/ Aaron Chalfin and Aartik Sarma). *JAMA Surgery*. 2024.
[“Economic Outcomes of Strikers in an Era of Weak Unions”](#) (w/ Nathan Wilmers). *Journal of Labor Economics*. 2024.
[“Wage stagnation and the rise of merit pay”](#) (w/ Nathan Wilmers). *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*. 2023.
[“Activity-adjusted crime rates show that public safety worsened in 2020”](#) (w/ Aaron Chalfin) *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*. 2022.

[“Kill or die: Moral judgment alters linguistic coding of causality”](#) (w/ Julian De Freitas, Peter DeScioli, Jason Nemirow, and Steven Pinker) *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition*. 2017.

[“Equity or equality? Moral judgments follow the money”](#) (w/ Peter DeScioli, Robert Kurzban, Alex Shaw, and Michael Bang Petersen) *Proceedings of the Royal Society B*. 2014.

[“How universal is the Big Five? Testing the five-factor model of personality variation among forager–farmers in the Bolivian Amazon”](#) (w/ Michael Gurven, Chris von Rueden, Hillard Kaplan, and Marino Lero Vie) *Journal of personality and social psychology*. 2013.

Work in Progress

People, Places, and Moves: Place Effects in the US Military (w/ Jennifer Heissel & Evan K. Rose)

How common are compelling event studies?

Air pollution and health: What do we know?

Impacts of Congestion Pricing in New York City (w/ Jesse Rothstein and Reed Walker). [OSF repository](#) with pre-analysis plan.

Helping out the outsourced: A pre-registered evaluation of the New Jersey temporary worker bill of rights (w/ Jesse Rothstein). [OSF repository](#) with pre-analysis plan.

Honors & Awards

2022 Upjohn Institute Early Career Research Award (w/ Daphné Skandalis)

2014 University Fellowship, UC Berkeley

2014 Bok Prize for Teaching Excellence, Harvard University

Reviewer

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review, Economics Bulletin, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics

Citizenship

United States