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Education

Ph.D. Public Policy, New York University, 2019

M.P.P Public Policy, University of Chicago, 2009

B.A. Urban Studies, College of Wooster, 2007

Academic Positions

University of Notre Dame, Department of Economics, 2019-present

Wilson Family LEO Assistant Professor

Harvard University, Department of Economics, Spring 2022

Visiting Appointment

Appointments and Affiliations

Research Faculty, Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities (LEO), University of Notre Dame, 2019-present

Faculty Fellow, Fitzgerald Institute for Real Estate, University of Notre Dame, 2019-present

Member, Human Capital and Economic Opportunity (HCEO), Inequality: MIP Network, 2019-present

Research

Peer Reviewed Publications

How Do Changes In Housing Voucher Design Affect Rent and Neighborhood Quality (with Peter Ganong), 2018, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, 10(2): 62–89.

Eviction and Poverty in American Cities (with J.E. Humphries, N. Madar, D. Reed, D. Tannenbaum and W. van Dijk), 2024, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 139(1), 57–120

Working Papers

The Long-Run Effects of Residential Racial Desegregation Programs: Evidence from *Gautreaux* (with Eric Chyn and Danielle Sandler) *R&R at Quarterly Journal of Economics*

"Right-to-Counsel in Eviction Court and Rental Housing Markets: Quasi-Experimental Evidence from New York" (with S. Nelson, S. Kestelman, J.E. Humpries, W. van Dijk, and D. Waldinger)

The Effects of Eviction on Children: Evidence from Chicago and New York (with D. Dutz, J.E. Humpries, N. Madar, D. Tannenbaum and W. van Dijk), 2023.

"The Effects of Emergency Rental Assistance During the Pandemic: Evidence from Lotteries in Four Cities" (with Anthony Defusco, Ben Keys, John Eric Humpries, David Phillips, Vincent Reina, Patrick Turner and Winnie van Dijk)

Unrefereed Publications

Bolstering the Housing Safety Net: The Promise of Automatic Stabilizers (with Ingrid Gould Ellen and Ben Keys) The Hamilton Project, April 2021

Reforming Housing Assistance (with Ingrid Gould Ellen and Jens Ludwig), 2019, *The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science* vol. 686, 1: pp. 250-285

Allocation Problems in Low-Income Housing, *More Equal by Design: Economic design responses to inequality* eds. Scott Duke Kominers and Alexander Teytelboym, Oxford University Press.

Low-Income Housing Policy (with Ingrid Gould Ellen and Jens Ludwig), 2016, , *Economics of Means-Tested Transfer Programs in the United States, Volume II*, ed. Robert Moffitt, University of Chicago Press.

Work In-Progress

"In-Kind Transfers and Early Child Development: Evidence from a Housing Assistance Lottery" (with Chloe Gibbs)

"Public Provision v. in-Kind Vouchers: Evidence from a Housing Assistance Lottery"

"Waiting Time as a Screening Device: Evidence from an Affordable Housing Lottery" (with Dan Waldinger and Winnie van Dijk)

"Unemployment Insurance and Housing Instability" (with Ethan Jenkins)

Grants

National Science Foundation (NSF) Research Grant: SES-2018266, \$394,366 - PI (with Eric Chyn)

J-PAL North America, \$50,000 - Co-PI (with David Phillips)

J-PAL North America, \$50,000 - Co-PI (with Patrick Turner and Melissa Kearney)

J-PAL North America, \$50,000 - Co-PI (with David Phillips and Vincent Reina)

Prior Employment

U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development (HUD), 2009-2013

Analyst, Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Development, PD&R

Professional Service

Refereeing

American Economic Review: Insights; American Economic Journal: Economic Policy; International Economic Review; Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Quarterly Journal of Economics

Selected Media Coverage

The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Economist

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