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ACADEMIC POSITIONS	University of Chicago <i>Postdoctoral Fellow, Harris School of Public Policy & Mansueto Institute</i>	08/2024 – 07/2025
	Loyola Marymount University <i>Assistant Professor, Department of Economics</i>	08/2025 –
EDUCATION	Harvard University <i>Ph.D. Public Policy</i>	2024
	University of Toronto <i>M.A. Economics</i>	2016
	<i>B.A. Economics</i>	2014
RESEARCH AREAS	Urban and Real Estate Economics, Public Economics, Applied Microeconomics.	
WORKING PAPERS	Quantifying the Welfare Impacts of Gentrification on Incumbent Renters (<i>with Ashvin Gandhi & Valentine Gilbert</i>)	
	Suburban Housing and Urban Affordability: Evidence from Residential Vacancy Chains (<i>with Valentine Gilbert</i>)	
PUBLICATIONS	Behavioral barriers transitioning to college <i>Labour Economics</i> , 2017, 47. (<i>with Philip Oreopoulos</i>)	
	Applying behavioural economics to public policy in Canada <i>Canadian Journal of Economics</i> , 2017, 50. (<i>with Philip Oreopoulos</i>).	
SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS	Schools or Suitcases? Optimal Urban Policy and Economic Opportunity in Greater Boston	
	Barriers to Racial Residential Integration (<i>with Valentine Gilbert</i>)	
OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	New York University Visiting Researcher, Furman Center	06/2022 - 07/2022
	University of Toronto Research Assistant to Philip Oreopoulos	2016–2017
	Research Assistant to Kory Kroft	2014–2015
FELLOWSHIPS, RESEARCH AWARDS & GRANTS	Junior Scholar, American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association	AY 2024–2025
	Best Junior Paper Submitted for the 2024 AREUEA National Conference	2024
	Best Paper on Housing by a Doctoral Student, Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies	2024

	Research Grant, Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy	2023
	Adam Smith Fellowship (Declined), Mercatus Center	2023
	Research Grant (×2), Malcolm Weiner Center for Social Policy	2022, 2023
	Graduate Admission Scholarship, University of Toronto	AY 2015–2016
	Louis Savlov Scholarship, University of Toronto	AY 2013–2014
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Harvard University PhD Micro Theory II (HKS), Head Teaching Fellow PhD Micro Theory I (HKS), Head Teaching Fellow Intermediate Micro Theory: Advanced, Head Teaching Fellow	Spring 2020, 2021, 2022, 2024 Fall 2021 Fall 2019, 2020
	University of Toronto Principles of Economics, Teaching Assistant Economic Thought after 1870, Teaching Assistant	AY 2015–2016 Spring 2016
TEACHING DISTINCTIONS	Derek Bok Certification of Distinction in Teaching (×3), Harvard University	Spring 2021, AY 2021–2022
INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCES <i>Scheduled</i>	2025: Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies. 2024: AREUEA National Conference, UEA European Conference, UCLA Ziman Center for Real Estate Conference on Low-Income Housing Supply and Housing Affordability, Loyola Marymount University, University of Cincinnati Finance, Texas A&M. 2023 and earlier: UEA Summer School, NYU Furman Center, Harvard Kennedy School Economics and Social Policy.	
PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & SERVICE	<i>Referee:</i> Quarterly Journal of Economics (×4), Journal of Urban Economics (×2), Journal of Behavioral Public Administration. <i>Discussant:</i> 2025: AREUEA-ASSA Annual Conference (×3) 2024: AREUEA National Conference, UEA European Conference	
SKILLS	Julia, R, STATA, L ^A T _E X.	
PERSONAL	UK and Canadian Citizen US Census Bureau Special Sworn Status	