

# ROBERT EVAN SANDERS

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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

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- 2022**     *Visiting Scholar*, University of Texas at Austin, McCombs School of Business<sup>1</sup>
- 2018 -**     *Assistant Professor*, University of California, San Diego, Rady School of Management

## EDUCATION

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- 2018**     **University of Chicago, Booth School of Business**  
Ph.D. Business Administration (Track: Quantitative Marketing and Economics)
- 2012**     **University of Pennsylvania, Wharton School of Business**  
B.Sc. Economics (with distinction)

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLISHED AND ACCEPTED PAPERS

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### Accepted/Published

1. **Uninformed choices in perishables**  
with Karsten Hansen and Kanishka Misra  
Forthcoming in *Marketing Science*
  - Recipient of Becker Friedman Institute – Industrial Organization Initiative Award
2. **Dynamic pricing and organic waste bans: A study of grocery retailers' incentives to reduce food waste**  
Forthcoming in *Marketing Science*  
Media mentions: [NBC San Diego](#); [PBS San Diego](#); [Eater](#); [Civil Eats](#); [RetailWire](#); [Times of San Diego](#); [UCSD press release](#)
  - Winner, 2017 MSI Alden G. Clayton Doctoral Dissertation Proposal Competition
3. **Consumer misinformation and the brand premium: A private label blind taste test**  
with Bart Bronnenberg and Jean-Pierre Dubé  
*Marketing Science*, 39(2):382-406, 2020
  - Finalist, Robert D. Buzzell MSI Best Paper Award 2021
  - Finalist, MSI 2018 – 2020 Research Priorities Working Paper Competition

### Under Review/Revision

4. **Inventory information frictions explain price rigidity in perishable groceries**  
with Naveed Chehraz and Ioannis Stamatopoulos  
Major revision at *Marketing Science*
5. **Organic waste bans have failed to divert waste away from landfills in the United States—except in Massachusetts**  
with Ioannis Stamatopoulos and Fiorentia Zoi Anglou

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<sup>1</sup>During this time, I was still an employee of the University of California and was not receiving payment from the University of Texas at Austin.

5. **On the endogeneity of U.S. retail prices: Insights from a large-scale field experiment**  
with Rob Bray and Ioannis Stamatopoulos
6. **Learning to reduce retail food waste: Evidence from a large Japanese grocery retail chain**  
with Kaniska Misra and Kohei Hayashida
7. **Testing consumer misunderstanding of expiration date labels with state and federal regulatory shocks**  
with Ioannis Stamatopoulos and Fiorentia Zoi Anglou
  - **MSI Grant # 4001868 (\$5,000)**

## INVITED PRESENTATIONS

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**2023** Stanford's Marketing for Environmental Sustainability Conference

**2023** The University of Virginia

**2023** The University of Hong Kong

**2023** University of California, Berkeley

**2023** Quantitative Marketing and Economics

**2023** Summer Institute for Competitive Strategy

**2023** INFORMS Marketing Science

**2022** Wharton Consortium For Operational Excellence in Retailing

**2022** Stanford University

**2021** INFORMS Annual Conference

**2021** Harvard Consortium For Operational Excellence in Retailing

**2020** Virtual Quant Marketing Seminar

**2019** INFORMS: International Conference

**2019** University of Texas at Austin

**2018** AMA, Marketing Science Institute

**2018** INFORMS Revenue Management and Pricing Conference

**2018** INFORMS Marketing Science Conference

**2017** University of California, San Diego

**2017** Washington University in St. Louis

**2017** University of Michigan

**2017** London Business School

**2017** Northwestern University

## **SERVICE**

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### **Policy work and government service**

**2023** – Washington State Department of Ecology  
Serve on advisory committee supervising  
roll-out of organic-waste management law (House Bill 1799)

### **Conference organization**

**2021** INFORMS Annual Conference  
Session organizer: Empirical Research in Revenue Management

**2018** INFORMS Marketing Science Conference  
Session organizer: Dynamic pricing and Revenue Management

## 2018 – Ad Hoc Reviewer

- Marketing Science
- Journal of Marketing Research
- Management Science
- Quantitative Marketing and Economics
- Production and Operations Management
- Food Policy
- Journal of Operations Management
- Annals of Operations Research

## Advising

## Placement

Hale Erkan (as committee member, 2023)

Arizona State University

Fiori Anglou (as co-advisor; expected to graduate 2025)

Kohei Hayashida (as committee member; expected to graduate 2025)

Seung Hyun Kim (as committee member, expected to graduate 2023)