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Employment

Economist, Federal Trade Commission 2023–

Education

Ph.D., Economics, University of California, Davis 2023
Visiting Ph.D. student, University of Copenhagen 2023
Master of Science, Economics, London School of Economics and Political Science 2016
Bachelor of Arts, Economics, Dartmouth College 2013

Research Fields

Primary Field: Development
Secondary Fields: Energy and Environment, Labor, Industrial Organization

Teaching Experience

Teaching Assistant, UC Davis 2020-2021
Energy Economics, undergraduate
Development Economics, undergraduate
Industrial Organization, undergraduate

Working Papers

Shotaro Nakamura and Rizki Siregar *Distributional and Productivity Implications of Regulating Casual Labor: Evidence from Ridesharing in Indonesia.*

Shotaro Nakamura, Syed Ali Hasanain and Adeel Tariq. *Spillovers under Information and Search Frictions: Experimental Evidence from an Online Platform in Pakistan.*

Isra Imtiaz, Shotaro Nakamura, Sanval Nasim, and Arman Rezaee. *Belief Formation, Signal Quality, and Information Sources: Experimental Evidence on Air Quality from Pakistan.*

Ongoing Projects

Collin Weigel and Shotaro Nakamura *Transaction costs in adapting to air pollution: Experimental evidence from California* (Funded and in design phase).

Grants

Shotaro Nakamura (PI), Matthew Gibson, Fatiq Nadeem, Sanval Nasim, and Arman Rezaee (Co-PIs). *Belief Formation, Signal Quality, and Information Sources: Experimental Evidence on Air Quality from Pakistan*, 2022. International Growth Centre (IGC) PAK-22039. GBP 20,000.

Sanval Nasim (PI), Matthew Gibson, Shotaro Nakamura, and Arman Rezaee (Co-PIs). *Belief Formation, Signal Quality, and Information Sources: Experimental Evidence on Air Quality from Pakistan*, 2021. International Growth Centre (IGC) PAK-21105. GBP 15,000.

Girija Bahety, Castro Gichuki, and Shotaro Nakamura *Do Community Currencies Induce “Social”*

Transactions and Enterprise Development?, 2021. Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries (PEDL). GBP 4,000.

Travel and Research Grants, Department of Economics, UC Davis,

2018, 2021, 2022

Presentations

2023 (including scheduled): International Growth Centre, EEA-ESEM Barcelona 2023, Universitas Indonesia, National Team for the Acceleration of Poverty Reduction (TNP2K), Nordic Conference in Development Economics (NCDE), University of Copenhagen, JADE/CEPR/TIME/CIRJE Development Economics Conference, Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), J-PAL MENA, Institut Mines-Télécom, Federal Trade Commission

2022: Yale Research Initiative on Innovation and Scale (Y-RISE) Conference, North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), Conference on Digital Experimentation, Tokyo Labor Economics Workshop, Conference on Applied Development Economic at the Lahore School of Economics, Advances with Field Experiments

Refereeing

Journal of Environmental Economics and Management

Additional Research Experiences

Research Assistant, Prof. Arman Rezaee, UC Davis	2018-2019
Research Assistant, Profs. Erich Muehlegger and David Rapson, UC Davis	2018-2019
Research Assistant (full-time pre-doc), Prof. Nava Ashraf, HBS and LSE	2014-2015, 2016-2017
Research Analyst, Harvard Graduate School of Education	2013-2014
Research Assistant, Profs. Bruce Sacerdote and Sandip Sukhtankar, Dartmouth College	2010-2013

Awards and Honors

Bilinski Educational Foundation Dissertation Writing Fellowship, UC Davis	2022-2023
Dean's Distinguished Graduate Fellowship, UC Davis	2017-2022
Dean's Summer Graduate Fellowship, UC Davis	2020
Departmental Honors, Economics, Dartmouth College	2013

Software and Languages

Stata, R, \LaTeX , SQL
English (fluent) Japanese (native)
French (intermediate), Portuguese (intermediate)

References

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