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EDUCATION

Stanford University

PhD in Economics

2022 –

Primary Fields: Industrial Organization, Political Economy

Secondary Field: Applied Econometrics

Harvard College

A.B in Applied Mathematics

2018 – 2022

Specialization in Economics

PUBLISHED PAPERS

Interacting Policies in Containing a Disease

With Arun Chandrasekhar, Matthew O. Jackson, and Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham

Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences

May 2021

WORKING PAPERS

Non-Robustness of Diffusion Estimates on Networks With Measurement Error

With Arun Chandrasekhar, Tyler McCormick, Paul Goldsmith-Pinkham and Jerry Wei

*Revise and Resubmit at **Econometrica***

IN PROGRESS

The Political Content of College Courses

With Jacob Light and Gideon Moore

TEACHING

Teaching Assistant, Stanford Department of Economics

Graduate Industrial Organization, for Ali Yurukoglu, Matthew Gentzkow, and Hunt Allcott

2025

Teaching Assistant, Harvard Extension School

Real Analysis, Convexity, and Optimization

2021

Teaching Assistant for Prof. Elie Tamer

Quantitative Methods in Economics

2020

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant for Prof. Matthew Gentzkow

2023-2024

The Algorithm Assisted Redistricting Methodology (ALARM) Project

Project Member

2021-2022

Research Assistant for Prof. David Yang

2021

World Data Lab

Research Analyst

2021

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND PRESENTATIONS

Refereeing:

AER: Insights

Conference Presentations:

Machine Learning in Economics Summer Conference (Chicago Booth, Summer 2025)

SKILLS

Programming Languages: R, Python, Julia, Stata, and Matlab

Languages: English – Native, Spanish – Intermediate