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Current Positions

University of California, Berkeley
Assistant Professor of Business Administration, Haas School of Business (EAP) 2020–
Assistant Professor of Economics, Department of Economics 2020–

Visiting Scholar, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco 2022–

Previous Positions

Post-doctoral Researcher, Microsoft Research New England 2019–2020
Senior Research Analyst, Federal Reserve Bank of New York 2012–2013

Education

Ph.D. (Economics), Massachusetts Institute of Technology 2013–2019
Essays on Imperfect Competition in the Labor Market

B.A. (Applied Mathematics, Economics), University of California, Berkeley 2008–2012
Greatest Distinction, Highest Honors in Economics

Working Papers

“Outside Options and Wages: Evidence from Coworker Networks” with Nikolaj Harmon
(Updated 2019)

“Gender Differences in Labor Supply: Experimental Evidence from the Gig Economy” with Emily Oehlsen
(Updated September 2021)

“Outside Options in the Labor Market” with Oren Danieli
(Updated January 2021)
Revise & Resubmit, **Review of Economic Studies**

“Tax Refund Uncertainty: Evidence and Welfare Implications” with Scott Nelson & Daniel Waldinger
(Updated January 2021) BFI Working Paper 2021-18
Revise & Resubmit, **American Economic Journal: Applied Economics**

Selected Work in Progress

“Monopsony Makes it Big: Firm Wage-Setting in Modern Labor Markets” with Arindrajit Dube & Suresh Naidu *in preparation for the Journal of Economic Literature*

Publications

“Uber versus Taxi: A Driver’s Eye View” (with Joshua Angrist & Jonathan Hall) 2021, **American Economic Journal: Applied Economics**

Book Chapters

“Wage and employment implications of U.S. labor market monopsony and possible policy solutions” with Suresh Naidu, *Equitable Growth Vision* 2020

Fellowships & Honors

Excellence in Refereeing Award, <i>AER: Insights</i>	2019, 2020
Barbara and Gerson Bakar Faculty Fellow, Haas School of Business	2020–2021
W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research Dissertation Award, First Prize	2019
Robert M. Solow Prize for Excellence in Research and Teaching	2019
<i>Review of Economic Studies</i> European Tour	2019
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship	2013–2018
MIT Department of Economics Fellowship	2013–2015
Economics Departmental Citation, UC Berkeley	2012
Earl Rolph Prize, UC Berkeley	2012
Phi Beta Kappa	2012
UC Berkeley Regents' and Chancellors' Scholar	2008–2012
UC Berkeley Alumni Association Leadership Award	2008–2012

Grants

UC Berkeley Economics Grant for Gender Research (with Ingrid Haegele)	2021–2022
UC Berkeley EGAL Research Grant	2020–2021
Institute for Research on Labor and Employment (IRLE) Grant	2020–2021
Russell Sage Foundation Presidential Grant (with Marco Tabellini)	2020–2021
NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant	2017–2019
Washington Center for Equitable Growth (WCEG) Doctoral Grant	2016–2017
Washington Center for Equitable Growth (WCEG) Doctoral Grant (with Scott Nelson & Daniel Waldinger)	2015–2016
George & Obie Schulz Fund Grants	2015, 2016

Teaching

MBA 200S: Data & Decisions	Fall 2020, 2021
Econ 250B: Labor Economics (second-year field course)	Fall 2020

Seminars and Conference Presentations

2021-2022	Texas A&M Labor and Public Conference, <i>Scheduled</i> : Arizona State University, NBER Japan Project Meeting (Discussant), AEA/ASSA Annual Meeting, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, Duke University, CIREQ Montreal Applied Economics Conference
2020-2021	Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics: Micro and Macro of Labor Markets, Mechanism Design for Social Good (MD4SG) Conference, University of Nevada-Reno, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, University of Oxford, Bilkent University, University of Chicago, University of Uppsala, Washington Center for Equitable Growth Grantee Conference (discussant), University of British Columbia, Harvard, University of Toronto-Rotman (Strategy), Northeast Labor Symposium for Early Career Economists (NLS-E Princeton), NBER Conference on Wage Dynamics in the 21st Century (panelist), University of Melbourne, NBER Summer Institute: Labor Studies (Discussant)

- 2019-2020 Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics: Micro and Macro of Labor Markets, Advances with Field Experiments Conference (at U Chicago), Brown University, University of Massachusetts-Amherst, University of Rochester, University of Gothenburg, Stockholm University, Workshop on the Future of Labor (at ESMT Berlin), National Tax Association Annual Meeting, New York University, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Central European University, University of Wisconsin-Madison, AEA/ASSA Annual Meeting, UC Berkeley, Haas School of Business, University College London, Columbia Junior Micro-Macro Labor Conference, Bargaining: Experiments, Empirics, and Theory Workshop (BEET), Search and Matching Congress, *Cancelled due to COVID-19*: Trans-Pacific Labor Conference (UC Berkeley IRLE), Erasmus University Rotterdam, CEMFI, University Carlos III, Northeast Labor Symposium for Early Career Economists (at Princeton), IIES Stockholm
- 2018-2019 MIT, UC Berkeley (Economics), Harvard Business School (EM), Stanford Graduate School of Business, Hoover Institution at Stanford University, University of Michigan, Columbia University (Economics & Business School), Microsoft Research New England, Harvard (Economics), University of Chicago Booth School of Business, UC Berkeley (Economics & Haas School of Business), Wharton (BEPP), Princeton University, Kellogg School of Management (Strategy), MIT Sloan (IT), University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, Review of Economic Studies Tour (London School of Economics, KU Leuven, Sciences Po), Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting, CESifo Gender in the Developed and Developing World Conference

Discussions

2021 Summer Institute (Labor Studies): “Monopsony and the Wage Effects of Migration” by Michael Amior and Alan Manning

Professional Service

Referee: American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review, American Economic Review: Insights, Econometrica, Economic Journal, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics

Grant Reviewer: National Science Foundation

Program Committees: MD4SG (2020), EEAMO (2021), Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting (2022)

Other

Citizenship: USA

Date of Birth: July 1990

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