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Academic Positions

University of Minnesota, Carlson School of Management

Assistant Professor, Department of Work & Organizations

2023-Present

Member, Graduate Faculty, Applied Economics

Education

University of Michigan

Ph.D. in Economics

2023

M.A. in Economics

2017

University of Pittsburgh

B.S. in Economics and Mathematics with Honors

2015

B.A. in Philosophy with Honors

2015

Summa Cum Laude, University Scholar

Research Interests

Labor Economics, Economic History, Gender & Family Economics

Research

Working Papers

“Health Womanpower: The Role of Federal Policy in Women’s Entry into Medicine”

“How the 1963 Equal Pay Act and 1964 Civil Rights Act Shaped the U.S. Gender Gap in Pay”

(with Martha J. Bailey and Bryan A. Stuart)

Forthcoming at the *Quarterly Journal of Economics*

Works in Progress

“Addressing Racial Disparities in Medical Education and Science: The Role of the Civil Rights Movement”

(with Francesca Truffa and Ashley Wong)

“Medical Schools, Physician Maldistribution, and Mortality”

(with Tyler Radler)

“Low Dose or No Dose? Continuous Treatment Difference-in-Differences with Unknown Controls”

(with Elird Haxhiu)

Non-Peer-Reviewed Publications

“Changes in the US Gender Gap in Wages in the 1960s” (with Martha J. Bailey and Bryan A. Stuart) *AEA Papers and Proceedings* 111 (2021): 143-148

“COVID-19 and stay-at-home orders: Identifying event study designs with imperfect testing” (with Jaedo Choi, Elird Haxhiu, Nishaad Rao and Taeuk Seo) *COVID Economics* 76 (2021): 110-137

Teaching Experience

Instructor, University of Minnesota, Carlson School of Management

Race, Power, and Justice in Business

Spring 2024

Head Graduate Student Instructor, University of Michigan, Department of Economics
Principles of Microeconomics Fall 2018-Winter 2019

Graduate Student Instructor, University of Michigan, Department of Economics
Economics @ Work Fall 2019-Fall 2022
Intermediate Microeconomic Theory Spring 2020
Principles of Macroeconomics Spring 2018
Ethics in Economic Behavior Winter 2017
Principles of Microeconomics Fall 2016, Fall 2017

Graduate Student Consultant, University of Michigan, Department of Economics
Foundational Course Initiative (Principles of Microeconomics) Fall 2020-Winter 2021

Academic Service

University of Michigan Service

Graduate Economics Society First-Year Seminar Coordinator Fall 2016-Winter 2017
Coordinator for Health, History, Demography, and Development (H2D2) Fall 2018-Winter 2019
Seminar and Research Day

Referee for

Journal of Labor Economics

Honors and Awards

University of Michigan

Summer Research Award 2016 & 2017
Sasakawa Young Leaders Fellowship, Nippon Foundation 2015

University of Pittsburgh

M. M. Culver Memorial Award Excellence in Mathematics
McKay Award Excellence in Economics

Presentations

2024: Association for Education Finance and Policy (AEFP)

2023: Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis Opportunity and Inclusive Growth Institute

2022: University of Michigan Summer Seminar; Causal Inference in Education Research Seminar (CIERS);
University of Michigan Labor Seminar

2021: University of Michigan Labor Lunch Seminar; University of Michigan Human Capital, History, Demography, & Development (H2D2) Seminar

2019: University of Michigan Human Capital, History, Demography, & Development (H2D2) Seminar

*Scheduled

Personal

Computer Skills

Use regularly: Stata, LaTeX, Microsoft Office

Have experience with: Python, R