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**Employment**

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| 2021-Present | Postdoctoral Scholar, Development Innovation Lab<br>Becker Friedman Institute for Economics at The University of Chicago |
| 2022-Present | Postdoctoral Fellow (visiting), Evidence for Policy Design<br>Harvard Kennedy School                                     |
| 2010-13      | Analyst (Associate Analyst, 2010-11), Abt Associates Inc.  |

**Education**

Ph.D. Public Policy, The University of Chicago, 2021

M.P.P. with honors, The University of Chicago, 2015

B.Sc. Economics and Physics, The University of Michigan, 2009

**References**

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**Job Market Paper***“Optimal Monitoring and Bureaucrat Adjustments”*

Abstract This paper examines the behavior of bureaucrats, implementing India's public employment program, as their expectations of being audited change. Exploiting random assignment to audit timing, I find: the rate of deterrence (in financial misappropriation) is increasing in bureaucrats' expectations; bureaucrats evade detection by adjusting the timing and type of misappropriated expenditure. I interpret these findings with a model to analyze how information communicated about audit risk should be designed. With this, I solve for the optimal signal and analyze counterfactuals. Fully-informative signals would have persuaded bureaucrats to misappropriate USD35m less compared to uninformative signals.

**Working Papers**

*“Outreach and Invitations: Increasing COVID-19 Vaccination in Kenya”* (with Kevin Carney, Michael Kremer, Elisa Maffioli, and Leah Rosenzweig)

*“The Value of Concision”* (with Guthrie Gray-Lobe, Michael Kremer, Joost de Laat)

*“Hard to Read: The impact of advanced reading assignments on literacy”* (with Guthrie Gray-Lobe, Mridul Joshi, and Michael Kremer)

*“SMS Interventions Do Not Increase COVID-19 Vaccination Completion in Kenya”* (with Florence Aketch, Kevin Carney, Michael Kremer, Elisa Maffioli, James Otieno, and Leah Rosenzweig)

### Selected Works in Progress

*“Women Driving Women”* (with Pablo Peña)

*“Improving Local Tax Compliance in India”* (data collection completed; with Yusuf Neggers and Shreya Singh)

*“Scaling up Personalized Adaptive Learning in Andhra Pradesh”* (in the field; with Emily Cupito, Guthrie Gray-Lobe, and Michael Kremer)

*“Informal Relationships between Citizens and Bureaucrats, and Access to Public Resources”*

### Scholarships, Fellowships, and Research Grants

2023	J-PAL South Asia, Learning for All Initiative, co-Principal Investigator (\$195,215)
2021-22	Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation grant, co-Principal Investigator on a sub-award (\$560,000)
2019	Becker Friedman Institute Development Economics Initiative Research Grant, Principal Investigator (\$7,050)
2018	Economic and Development Institutions research grant, UKAID, co-Principal Investigator (£18,086)
2018	Tata Centre for Development research grant, co-Principal Investigator (\$50,274)
2017	Committee on South Asian Studies Pre-Dissertation Fellowship (\$4,800)
2015-2021	Harris School of Public Policy Ph.D. Fellowship
2013-2015	Harris School of Public Policy Dean’s Scholarship

### Teaching Experience

#### Instructor

2017	Math Camp Algebra (Master’s)
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#### Teaching Assistant

2019	Microeconomics I (PhD), Professor Francisco Espinosa
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2019	Analytical Politics for International Development (Master's), Professor Ethan Bueno de Mesquita
2019	Math Camp Calculus and Algebra
2016-18	Decisions and Organizations (Master's), Professors Wioletta Dziuda, Pablo Montagnes, Kara Ross Camarena
2017	Microeconomics II (Master's), Professor Konstantin Sonin
2016	Political Economy I (PhD), Professor Scott Ashworth
2016	Program Evaluation (Master's), Professor Ofer Malamud

## Publications

### Pre-doctoral

“Assessing the Costs and Effects of Antiretroviral Therapy Task Shifting From Physicians to Other Health Professionals in Ethiopia” (with Johns, B., Asfaw, E., Bekele, A., Minior, T., Kebede, A., & Palen, J.) *Journal of Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndromes*, 65(4), 2014.

“Lessons Learned from Stakeholder-Driven Sustainability Analysis of Six National HIV Programmes” (with Katz, I., Glandon, D., Kargbo, B., Ombam, R., Singh, S., Osika, J. S.) *Health Policy and Planning*, 29 (3), 379–387, 2014.

“Patient Satisfaction with Task Shifting of Antiretroviral Services in Ethiopia: Implications for Universal Health Coverage” (with Asfaw, E., Dominis, S., Palen, J. G. H., Bekele, A., Kebede, A., & Johns, B.) *Health Policy and Planning*, 29 (suppl 2), ii50–ii58, 2014.

## Additional Information

Citizenship USA

Skills LaTeX, R, Stata, Python