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EMPLOYMENT

2018-	Assistant Professor, Harvard Business School
2018-19	Research Consultant, Microsoft Research Labs New England
2016-18	Chief Economist, South East Asian Bank ¹
2006-09	Mt. Sinai Humanities and Medicine Program / RAND (M.D./Ph.D. program)

ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS

2021-	NBER Research Affiliate, Labor Studies

2020- Associate Editor at the Journal of Political Economy

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, Stanford University, 2016

B.A. in Economics, Yale University, 2006

PUBLICATIONS (Peer Reviewed)

Equilibrium Effects of Pay Transparency (with Bobak Pakzad-Hurson) Econometrica 2023 Vol. 91 (3), pp. 765–802 (Lead Article)

The Old Boy's Club: Schmoozing and the Gender Gap (with Ricardo Perez-Truglia), American Economic Review 2023 Vol. 113 (7), pp. 1703-1740 (Lead Article)

Increasing Demand for Workers with a Criminal Background (with Will Dobbie and Mitch Hoffman) Quarterly Journal of Economics 2023 Vol. 138 (1), pp. 103–150

The Salary Taboo: Privacy Norms and the Diffusion of Information (with Ricardo Perez-Truglia) Journal of Public Economics Vol. 222, 104890

How Much Does Your Boss Make? The Effects of Salary Comparisons (with Ricardo Perez-Truglia) Journal of Political Economy (2022) Vol. 130 (3), pp. 766–822

¹ The identity of this bank has been concealed to honor research collaboration terms.

Business Reopening Decisions and Demand Forecasts During the COVID-19 Pandemic. (with Dylan, Balla-Elliott, Edward L. Glaeser, Michael Luca, and Christopher Stanton) Journal of Policy Analysis and Management (2021) 41, no. 1

Outsourcing Tasks Online: Matching Supply and Demand on Internet Platforms (with Chiara Farronato), Management Science (2021) 67, no.7 (Featured article)

The Impact of COVID-19 on Small Business Outcomes and Expectations (with Alex Bartik, Marianne Bertrand, Edward L. Glaeser, Michael Luca, and Christopher Stanton), Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences 117, no. 30 (July 28, 2020)

WORKING PAPERS

What's My Employee Worth? The Effects of Salary Benchmarking (with Shengwu Li and Ricardo Perez-Truglia) NBER Working Paper Series, No. 30570, October 2022. Under revision at the Review of Economic Studies

Is Pay Transparency Good? Invited publication for Journal of Economic Perspectives (editors Heidi Williams, Erik Hurst, Nina Pavcnik)

The Targeting and Impact of Paycheck Protection Program Loans to Small Businesses. (with Alex Bartik, Zoë B. Cullen, Edward L. Glaeser, Michael Luca, Christopher Stanton, and Adi Sunderam) Harvard Business School Working Paper, No. 21-021, August 2020, Under revision at the Review of Economics and Statistics

The Rise of Remote work (with Alex Bartik, Edward L. Glaeser, Michael Luca, and Christopher Stanton. Harvard Business School Working Paper, No. 20-138, June 2020.

PUBLICATIONS (Non-Peer Reviewed)

The Spreadsheet (with Alex MacKay) Harvard Business School Case 723-366, Aug 2022.

ADP: Private Data for the Social Good (with Michael Luca, and Amy Klopenstein) Harvard Business School Case 922-042, company sign-off and final numbers pending. September 2022.

A Close Shave at Squire (with Bussgang, Jeffrey J., William R. Kerr, Benjamin N. Roth, Michael Norris) Harvard Business School Case 821-073, July 2021.

How Has COVID-19 Affected Health Insurance Offered by Small Businesses in the U.S.? Early Evidence from a Survey (with Dafny, Leemore S., Yin Wei Soon, Christopher T. Stanton) New England Journal of Medicine (August 14, 2020).

MEDIA COVERAGE

Research featured in 100+ articles from outlets such as The New York Times, Wall Street Journal, The Atlantic, The New York Times Magazine, NPR, The Economist, Harvard Business Review, Forbes, Bloomberg, etc.

SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS AND AWARDS

2023	NSF Award (\$368,490) "Information Frictions, Pay, and Pay Equity" (with Perez-Truglia)
2021	Excellence in Refereeing Award, AER: Insights
2019	Exemplary Applied Modeling Paper EC'19
2015-16	CCSRE Fellow (Stanford University)
2013-14	E2A Research Challenge, UC Berkeley CEGA
2005-08	Humanities in Medicine Program, Mount Sinai, New York
2006	Rhodes Finalist
2005-06	Phi Beta Kappa

SPEAKING INVITATIONS

- 2023-2024 (invited) Stanford (Economics, Joint Applied Micro), University of San Diego, Duke Economics, LSE, UCL, Queen Mary, FSI, Oxford, Purdue, University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy, Keynote 6th IDSC IZA Conference, 2024 "Lectures on the Economics of Organizations and Human Resources" German Economic Association
- 2022-2023 (scheduled) NBER Summer Institute Labor Studies, MIT (Econ), Berkeley (Econ), Michigan (Econ), Columbia (Business School), Behavioral Economics Design Initiative, Georgetown (Business School), Cornell (Econ), University of Chicago (Booth Business School), Chicago-Berkeley Behavioral Economics Workshop, Boston College, MIT IDE, AEA, Yale (Econ), Yale SOM, DIW Berlin, IZA
- 2021-2022 Berkeley (Econ), Michigan (Econ), Columbia (Econ), Harvard (Econ & Law), Boston University (Econ), Northwestern (Kellogg), Carnegie Mellon (Heinz College and Tepper School), University of Pittsburgh (Econ), Texas A&M (Meer Workshop), Uber, Erasmus University (Micro Seminar Series), Bocconi University (AXA Research Lab), Università Cattolica
- 2020-2021 MIT IDE, Tufts, Copenhagen, American Enterprise Institute, Cornell Finance, Cornell Economics, Georgetown, World Bank, University of Zurich, Bergen FAIR Institute, Advanced Field Experiments, Baylor, NBER Labor (Spring), Society of Labor Economics, Yale Cowles Conference on Labor and Public Economics, NBER Summer Institute (Personnel)
- 2019-2020 MIT Sloan IWER, INSEAD, Columbia Business School, San Diego ECBE, Advanced Field Experiments Conference, Field Days Conference, EAYE Workshop Paris School of Economics, ASSA Meetings, Tel Aviv University, Ben Gurion University, NSL-E Workshop Princeton, NBER Organizations, SOLE
- 2018-2019 Harvard (Econ), Dartmouth (Econ), MIT (Business School), NBER Labor Studies Fall, Berkley Haas (Oliver Williamson Seminar), UCLA (Business School), Brown (Econ), Einaudi Institute, Advanced Field Experiments Conference, ASSA Meetings, Kansas University

PEER REVIEW ACTIVITIES

Econometrica, American Economic Review, Journal of Political Economy, Review of

Economic Studies, Quarterly Journal of Economics, AEJ: Applied Economics, Economic Journal, Journal of European Economic Association, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Economica, European Economic Review, Management Science

PROGRAM COMMITTIES

Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics (SIOE), Econometric Society (2023), NBER Summer Institute (2022) Labor Studies, The Econometric Society, Mechanism Design For Social Good (MS4G), Equity and Access in Algorithms, Mechanisms and Optimization (EAAMO), Society for Institutional and Organizational Economics (SIOE), National Association of Business Economics (NABE), Ridge Workshop on Public Economics

TEACHING

HBS M.B.A course: The Entrepreneurial Manager

HBS M.B.A course: Negotiations

HBS Executive Education class: Launching New Ventures

HBS / Economics Ph.D. class: Theoretical and Empirical Perspectives on Entrepreneurship

ADVISING

Brit Sharoni (Harvard Econ PhD candidate), Wilbur Townsend (Harvard Econ PhD candidate) Julia Gilman (MIT Econ PhD Candidate) Jenna Anders (Harvard Econ PhD candidate), Katherine Fang (Yale Law Student, joint PhD Yale SOM candidate), Dylan Balla-Elliott (University of Chicago PhD candidate), Anh Nguyen (UCLA Anderson PhD Candidate)