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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Postdoctoral Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research

2022-2023

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Member, Network on Markets, Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group,
Becker Friedman Institute, University of Chicago

2021-

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, University of Minnesota

2016-2022

B.S., Economics *with Honors*, B.A., Mathematics, University of Washington

2011-2015

MAJOR FIELDS OF CONCENTRATION

Macroeconomics, Labor, and Public Economics

PUBLICATIONS

“On the Coexistence of Cryptocurrency and Fiat Money”

Review of Economic Dynamics, Forthcoming

“Home Production and Leisure During the Covid-19 Recession” (with Oksana Leukhina)

The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics, Special Issue: The Macroeconomic Implications of the Covid-19 Pandemic, Volume 22, Issue 1, 2022, pp. 269-306

“Association of food expenditure with life expectancy in the United States, 2001-2014” (with Qingxiao Li, Susanna C. Larsson, Shuai Yuan, and Qiqiang He)

Nutrition, Volumes 91–92, November–December 2021, 111310

FEDERAL RESERVE PUBLICATIONS

“Home Production Activity during the COVID-19 Shutdown” (with Oksana Leukhina)

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis The Regional Economist, Volume 28, Third Quarter, 2020

SHORT PAPERS IN FEDERAL RESERVE BLOGS

“COVID-19 and the Great Recession: Market Hours and Home Production across American Households”
(with Oksana Leukhina and Devin Werner)

St. Louis Fed On the Economy Blog, July 14, 2020

WORKING PAPERS

“Why Are Older Men Working More? The Role of Social Security”

“Welfare Programs and the Time Allocation, Savings, and Child Quality of Single-Mother Families”

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Labor Supply and Saving Behavior of Older Individuals Across Time and Space” (with Selahattin Imrohoroglu)

“Social Security Spousal Benefits, Husband Types, and the Labor Market Decisions of Married Women”

“Why Is Agricultural Productivity So Low in Poor Countries? The Case of India” (with Oksana Leukhina and Md Mahbubur Rahman)

“On Human Capital Accumulation of Husbands and Wives, with Private Information” (with Oksana Leukhina and Vijay Krishna)

HONORS AND AWARDS

NBER Post-Doctoral Fellowship	2022
MRDRC Funding Award, The HRS Summer Workshop, University of Michigan	2022
Best Ph.D. Paper Presentation Award, 29th Colloquium on Pensions and Retirement Research	2021
Graduate Research Program Partnership Fellowship, University of Minnesota	2020
College of Liberal Art Summer Graduate Fellowship, University of Minnesota	2019
Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota	2018
Dissertation Awards, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota	2018
Department Fellowship, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota	2016 - 2017
Graduate Fellowship, Department of Economics, University of Rochester	2015 - 2016
Honors Program, Department of Economics, University of Washington	2013 - 2015
Economics Undergraduate Board and Tutors of Merit, University of Washington	2013 - 2015
Annual Dean’s List, University of Washington, Seattle, Washington	2012 - 2015
Certificate of Outstanding Academic Achievement in Honor, University of Washington	2011 - 2015

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

<i>Instructor</i> , Department of Economics, University of Minnesota	2019 - 2022
Taught <i>Money and Banking</i> , <i>Industrial Organization</i> , and <i>Principles of Microeconomics</i>	
<i>Writing Assistant</i> , Department of Economics, University of Minnesota	2021
Supervised student projects for <i>International Trade</i> and <i>Economic Development</i>	
<i>Teaching Assistant</i> , Department of Economics, University of Minnesota	2017 - 2019
Led recitation sections for <i>Principles of Microeconomics</i> , <i>Principles of Econometrics</i> , <i>Introduction to Econometrics</i> , and <i>Intermediate Microeconomics</i>	
<i>Teaching Assistant</i> , Department of Economics, University of Washington	2014 - 2015
Held office hours and graded for <i>Advanced Macroeconomics</i> and <i>Advanced Microeconomics</i>	
<i>English Language Learner Center Economics Tutor</i> , Department of Economics, University of Washington. Led tutoring sessions for undergraduate level economics courses	2013 - 2014

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota, Summer 2018 and 2019
Minneapolis, Minnesota. Research Assistant to Prof. Fatih Guvenen

Research Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Washington, 2014
Seattle, Washington. Research Assistant to Prof. Oksana Leukhina

INVITED SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

2022: ASSA Annual Meeting (AEA Paper Session); City University of Hong Kong; University of Queensland; Georgetown University Qatar; Mississippi State University; University of Missouri; Binghamton University, State University of New York; Louisiana State University; Efferson Lecture at Louisiana State University; NBER conference, The Labor Market for Older Workers; BSE Summer Forum (canceled due to travel restriction); North America Summer Meetings of the Econometric Society; Western Economic Association International Annual Conference; Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory; Stanford University, SIEPR Working Longer and Retirement Conference (Scheduled); Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting (Scheduled).

2021: ASSA Annual Meeting (Poster Session); Annual Conference of the European Society for Population Economics; Heller-Hurwicz Economics Institute Alumni Conference; Asian Meeting of the Econometric Society; Western Economic Association International Annual Conference; China Meeting of the Econometric Society; Australian Meeting of the Econometric Society; Young Economist Symposium, Princeton Econ; Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta; Economics Graduate Student Conference, Washington University St. Louis; The 29th Colloquium on Pensions and Retirement Research, CEPAR and UNSW; European Winter Meetings of the Econometric Society; Jinan University IESR.

2020: Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management Annual Fall Research Conference; Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting; Macro Brownbag Seminar at the University of California Irvine.

2019: Summer Workshop on Money, Banking, Payments and Finance at the Bank of Canada; Midwest Economics Association Meeting.

INVITED ATTENDEE

NBER Summer Institute (SI) Aging, SI Economics of Social Security, SI Health Care

REFeree ACTIVITY

Review of Economic Dynamics ($\times 2$)

MEDIA COVERAGE

“COVID-19 Research and Information from HCEO Members.” Human Capital and Economic Opportunity Global Working Group, April 22, 2020. [Link](#)

“How have lost market hours from the partial economic shutdown affected Americans?” Lisa N. Huynh, Monthly Labor Review, Bureau of Labor Statistics, October 2020. [Link](#)

“Women In St. Louis Worry About Their Careers As They Step Back To Care For Their Families.” Corinne Ruff, St. Louis Public Radio, November 12, 2020. [Link](#)

“The Household Shift from Paid Work to Home Production.” St. Louis Fed On the Economy Blog, January 18, 2021. [Link](#)

“COVID-19’s Impact on U.S. Home Production.” St. Louis Fed On the Economy Blog, January 19, 2021. [Link](#)

“Can Cryptocurrency Coexist with Fiat Money?” Heller-Hurwicz Economic Institute, February 24, 2021. [Link](#)

“The COVID-19 Economy: How the Pandemic Defined 2020.” Annual Report 2020, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, April 7, 2021. [Link](#)

“Why Are Older Americans Working More?” Heller-Hurwicz Economic Institute, June 23, 2021. [Link](#)

“Listen to latest research: Financing retirement in the 2020s and beyond.” The Australian Research Council Centre of Excellence in Population Ageing Research, December 08, 2021. [Link](#)

“Accounting for Household Production in the National Accounts, An Update 1965–2020.” Benjamin Bridgman, Andrew Craig, and Danit Kanal, Survey of Current Business, Bureau of Economics Analysis, February 2022. [Link](#)

“Postdoctoral Fellowships Awarded for 2022–23 Academic Year.” National Bureau of Economic Research, The Reporter, Issue No.2, July 2022. [Link](#)

COMPUTER SKILLS

Stata, Gauss, C++, Matlab, Python, Fortran, R

LANGUAGES

English (Fluent), Chinese (Native)