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Education

PhD. Economics, University of California, Davis, 2016

M.S. Economics, University of California, Davis, 2011

B.A., Economics w/ Honors and Computer Science, Claremont McKenna College, 2008

Academic Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Occidental College 2018- Present

Assistant Professor, Department of Finance, University of Utah, 2016 - 2018

Research

Publications

Foreign Peer Effects and STEM Major Choice

With Massimo Anelli and Kevin Shih, Journal of Labor Economics, Vol 41-2, 2023

Academic Achievement Across the Day: Evidence from Randomized Class Schedules

With Teny M. Shapiro, Economics of Education Review, 67, 158-170, 2018.

Working Papers

Towards an Optimal Schedule

With A. Holford

Social Networks in Higher Education: Estimating Spillovers With Experimental Variation

The Causal Effects of Social Networks on Long Term Performance With S. Carrell

In Progress

Returns to Education in Subprime Credit Markets *With C. Fracassi & M. Jansen*

Social Network Imputation

Teaching

Current

Econ 272 Applied Econometrics (S19, F19, S20, F21)

Econ 305 - Game Theory (F18, S19)

Econ 306 - Advanced Econometrics (S20, F21)

Previous

Finan 7821 - Ph.D Econometrics 1; Finan 7826 - Ph.D Econometrics 2; QAMO 3030 - Business Econometrics 1; Introductory Microeconomics (Associate Instructor), 2014; Quantitative Data Analysis - Intro to SQL (Guest Lecturer)

Teaching Assistant: Economics of Education, Intermediate Microeconomics, Economic History, Game Theory, Introductory Macroeconomics, 2010-2014

Professional Activities

Affiliations and Service

Conference Committee, Liberal Arts Labor and Public Economics Conference, 2021

Review Committee, Center for Poverty Research Small Grants Proposals, 2015

UC Davis Center for Poverty Researcher, 2014

Irvine Network on Interventions in Development, 2012-2013

UCD Graduate Student Representative, 2011-2013

UCD Student Judicial Affairs Volunteer, 2015

Referee

American Economic Review, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Labor Economics, Economic Inquiry, Economics of Education Review, Journal of Economic Education, Journal of the European Economic Association, Labour Economics, Regional Science and Urban Economics

Awards, Grants and Fellowships

Occidental Faculty Enrichment Grant, 2019-2020

UC Davis Department of Economics Ray Beaumont Memorial Award, 2015

National Academy of Education/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship Finalist, 2014

UC Davis Graduate Travel Grant, 2013

Research Assistant

Scott Carrell, 2013-2016

UCD Center for Poverty Research, 2014

Hilary Hoynes & Marianne Bitler, 2012-2013

Invited Talks and Conferences

(2020) Occidental Economics Brown bag talks, WEAI Annual Conference (canceled) (2018) MiSoC Workshop on the Economics of Higher Education - University of Essex; WEAI Annual Conference; (2017) SOLE Annual Meeting; BYU Department of Economics Seminar; AEFPP Annual Meeting; (2016) UC Irvine INID Advisory Board Meeting (Poster); (2015) University of Connecticut Econometrics Seminar, Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness, All California Labor Conference (Poster), UC Davis Applied Microeconomics Brownbag Series; (2014) UC Davis IFHA Restricted Data Seminar, UC Irvine INID Advisory Board Meeting (Poster), UC Davis Applied Microeconomics Brownbag Series; (2013) All California Labor Conference (Poster), UC Davis Applied Microeconomics Brownbag Series