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Academic Appointments

University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign,
Assistant Professor of Economics, July 2017 to present

Other Affiliations

Research Affiliate at the Inclusive Economy Lab at Urban Labs of the University of Chicago
Special Sworn Status with the US Census Bureau

Education

Ph.D., Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2017
B.A. in Ethics, Politics, and Economics, *cum laude* with distinction in the major, Yale College, 2008

Past Positions

Research Assistant at The Hamilton Project, Brookings Institution, 2010- 2011
Project Associate at Innovations for Poverty Action, 2008-2010.

Fields of Interest

Labor Economics, Public Finance, Applied Econometrics

Fellowships, Honors, and Awards

Excellence in Teaching a Field Course: Illinois Economics Graduate Student Organization (2022-2023)
Excellence in Refereeing Awards: AER (2018), AER-Insights (2020, 2021)
UIUC List of Teachers Ranked as Excellent by their Students, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2020, Fall 2022, Fall 2023
Lincoln Institute for Land Policy Dissertation Fellowship, 2015-2016
MIT Graduate Student Fellowship, 2011-2013
Wrexham-Heinz Prize for the Best Senior Thesis in the Social Sciences, Yale College, 2008

Research Grants

Russell Sage Foundation for "Allegheny County Job Seekers Study" (w/ Bryan Stuart) : \$50,000

National Institutes of Health for "Experimental Evidence on the Impact of Parent Income on Child Health and Well-Being" (w/ Sarah Miller, Elizabeth Rhodes, and Eva Vivalt) \$2,494,318

National Science Foundation for "The Impact of Sustained Unconditional Cash Transfers on Labor Market Outcomes" (w/ Marianne Bertrand, Sarah Miller, Elizabeth Rhodes, and Eva Vivalt): \$549,136

Spencer Foundation's Large Research Grants on Education Program for "The Effects of Unconditional Cash Transfers on Educational Outcomes" (w/ Sarah Miller, Elizabeth Rhodes, and Eva Vivalt): \$374,947

Urban Institute WorkRise Grant for "Addressing Racial Inequalities in Apprenticeships: Understanding Disparities to Improve Opportunities for Black and Latinx Workers" (w/ Marianne Bertrand and Guglielmo Briscese): \$262,403

UIUC Campus Review Board for "The Geography of Jobs", 2020 (with Eliza Forsythe): \$21,637

Abdul Latif Jamil Poverty-Action Lab North American for "The Impact of Unconditional Cash Transfers on Consumption in the United States", 2020 (with David Brockman, Sarah Miller, Elizabeth Rhodes, and Eva Vivalt): \$250,155

Russell Sage Foundation for "The Impact of COVID-19 on Low-Income Individuals and Families", 2020 (with David Brockman, Sarah Miller, Elizabeth Rhodes, and Eva Vivalt): \$50,000

Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation for "An Experiment to Explore the Impact of Customized Job Recommendations", 2020 (with Bryan Stuart): \$142,176

Abdul Latif Jamil Poverty-Action Lab North American (J-PAL NA): Work of the Future Grant for "Experimental Evidence on a Low-Cost Job Search Tool", 2018 (with Bryan Stuart): \$49,359

University of Illinois, Research Initiative in Labor Markets Research Grant, 2018 (with Bryan Stuart): \$27,000

Abdul Latif Jamil Poverty Action Lab North America (J-PAL NA) Travel Grant, 2017-2018 (with Elizabeth Setren): \$5,000

Washington Center for Equitable Growth Doctoral Grant, 2016-2017: \$15,000

Publications

"The Local Economic and Welfare Consequences of Hydraulic Fracturing" with Janet Currie, Michael Greenstone, and Chris Knittel, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* October 2019, Vol 11., No. 4, pp 105-155

"The Impact of COVID-19 on small business outcomes and expectations" with Marianne Bertrand, Zoe Cullen, Edward Glaeser, Michael Luca, and Christopher Stanton, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences* June 2020, Vol 117, Issue 30.

"Measuring the Labor Market at the Onset of the COVID-19 Crisis: Evidence from Traditional and Non-Traditional Data" (with Marianne Bertrand, Feng Li, Jesse Rothstein, and Matt Unrath). *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity* (Summer 2020)

Working Papers

"Deleting a Signal: Evidence from Pre-Employment Credit Checks" with Scott Nelson, June 2022
(*Accepted, Review of Economics and Statistics*)

"The Targeting and Impact of Paycheck Protection Program Loans to Small Businesses" with Zoe Cullen, Edward Glaeser, Michael Luca, Chris Stanton, and Adi Sunderam, May 2021
(*Revise and Resubmit, Review of Economics and Statistics*)

"Black Suburbanization and the Evolution of Racial Inequality Since 1970" with Evan Mast, November 2022
(*Submitted*)

"The rise of remote work: Evidence from Business and Worker Surveys over the COVID-19 Pandemic" with Zoe Cullen, Edward Glaeser, Michael Luca, and Christopher Stanton, December 2022
(*Submitted*)

"Moving Costs and Worker Adjustment to Changes in Labor Demand: Evidence from Longitudinal Census Data" with Kevin Rinz, October 2018

Non-Academic Papers

"Search and Matching in Modern Labor Markets: A Landscape Report" with Bryan A. Stuart, July 2022
(*Urban Institute Work Rise Research Report*)

Work in Progress

"Imperfect Information in the Labor Market" (w/ Bryan A. Stuart)

"The Causal Effect of Unconditional Cash Transfers" (w/ David Broockman, Sarah Miller, Elizabeth Rhodes, and Eva Vivalt)

"A Social Recession: Evidence from Time-Use Diaries of Low-Income Adults" (w/ David Broockman, Sarah Miller, Elizabeth Rhodes, and Eva Vivalt)

"Race and Occupation in America: 1950 to 2020" (w/ Kerwin Charles)

"Addressing Racial Inequalities in Apprenticeships" (w/ Marianne Bertrand and Bryan Stuart)

"Hiring Efficiency and Equity in the Low-Wage Labor Market" (w/ Marianne Bertrand, Jesse Rothstein, and Fern Ramoutar)

Professional Activities

Presentations (includes scheduled)

2022: ASSA, SOLE, Mid-Midwest Applied Micro Conference at Purdue

2021: WEAI International Meeting, LERA, AEI, WEAI, NBER Summer Institute (Public), United States Military Academy (West Point)

2020: University of Chicago: Demography Seminar, Atlanta Federal Reserve

2019: University of Illinois at Chicago, Society of Labor Economists, Summer Institute on Theoretical Economics (SITE) at Stanford University

2018: Michigan State University, University of California Berkeley-Haas

2017: Columbia University-SIPA, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign, University of Maryland, University of California-Santa Cruz, Urban Institute, Office of Tax Analysis, Congressional Budget Office, Abt Associates

2016: US Census Bureau, University of California, Berkeley: Energy Camp, MIT Labor Lunch

2014: NBER Summer Institute (Real Estate)

Discussions

"Dynamic Effects of Co-Racial Hiring" by C. Miller and I. Schmutte, *ASSA Annual Meeting*, January 2023.

"Know Thyself Access to Own Credit Report and the Retail Mortgage Market" by A. Kumar, *Midwest Finance Association Conference*, March 2022.

"Working Remotely? Selection, Treatment, and the Market for Remote Work" by N. Emanuel and E. Harrington. *AREUEA/ASSA Annual Meeting*, January 2022.

"Did the Payment Protection Program Help Small Businesses? Evidence from Commercial Mortgage-backed Securities" by S. Agrawal, B. Ambrose, L. Lopez, and X. Xiao. *American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association*, May 2021.

"The Signaling Role of Parental Leave" by L. To. *Western Economic Association International*, March 2021.

"Tax Refund Uncertainty: Evidence and Welfare Implications, by S. Caldwell, S. Nelson, and D. Waldinger, and "Welfare Cuts and Well-Being: Evidence from Indiana in the Great Recession", by D. Wu. *Washington Center for Equitable Growth*, December 2020.

Referee Service

American Economic Review, American Economic Review: Insights, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Applied Econometrics, American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, American Economic Journal: Policy Economics, Economic Inquiry, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Economic Development Quarterly, Journal of Financial Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Urban Economics, Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Labour Economics, Management Science, National Tax Journal, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Financial Studies

Conference Service

Society of Labor Economists 2021 Conference Program Committee

Grant Referee Service

Abdul-Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab, Smith Richardson Foundation, Russell Sage Foundation, UIUC Campus Review Board

Departmental Service

- Departmental Advisory Board (2020-2023)
- Hiring Committee (2017/18, 2021/22)
- Resek Conference Co-organizer (2019, 2023)

Teaching

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

- Econ 590 (M2): Applied Econometrics: Topics in Program Evaluation and Policy Analysis, Fall 2017, Fall 2018, Fall 2019, Fall 2020, Fall 2021
- Econ 590 (L2): Graduate Labor Economics, Fall 2018, Fall 2020, Fall 2022
- Econ 199: 4 Lectures on Labor Market Discrimination for Team Taught Course on "Racial and Ethnic Disparities in Economic Opportunities and Outcomes", Spring 2020
- Econ 490 (A3): Applied Econometrics: Making Policy Decisions Using Descriptive and Predictive Analytics, Spring 2019
- Econ 490: Applied Econometrics: Program Evaluation and Policy Analysis, Fall 2017

MIT

- Teaching Assistant for 14.472, Public Economics II, Prof. Amy Finkelstein, Spring 2017
- Teaching Assistant for 14.41, Public Economics, Prof. Robin McKnight, Spring 2017
- Teaching Assistant for 14.01 Introduction to Microeconomics, Prof. Jeffrey Harris, Spring 2016
- Teaching Assistant for 14.01 Introduction to Microeconomics, Prof. Jonathan Gruber, Fall 2014

Other Information

Citizenship: United States