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EDUCATION

2015 Ph.D., Economics, University of California, San Diego
2010 M.A., Economics, University of California, San Diego
2008 B.A., Foreign Language and International Economics (French), University of Kentucky

EMPLOYMENT

Federal Reserve Board of Governors, Consumer & Community Research
Principal Economist, 2024 – present
Senior Economist, 2020 – 2024
Economist, 2019 – 2020
U.S. Department of the Treasury, Office of Economic Policy
Economist, 2015 – 2018
University of Maryland, Department of Economics
Adjunct Lecturer, Spring and Fall 2017

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Public economics, household finance, local public finance, rental housing

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

[The Role of Property Assessment Oversight in School Finance Inequality](#)

(with Alex Combs and John Foster)

Forthcoming, National Tax Journal 2026

[The Canary in the Coal Decline: Appalachian Household Finance and the Transition from Fossil Fuels](#)

(with Joshua Blonz and Brigitte Roth Tran)

Journal of Financial Economics 2025

[Targeted Relief: Geography and Timing of Emergency Rental Assistance Funds](#)

(with Theodore Figinski, Richard Sweeney, and Syndey Keenan)

National Tax Journal 2025

[Health Insurance and Hospital Supply: Evidence from 1950s Coal Country](#)

(with Theodore Figinski)

American Journal of Health Economics 2025

[Bringing Health Care to Appalachia: The Long Run Impact of a Rural Health Care System](#)

(with Theodore Figinski)

Economic Development Quarterly 2022

[Connecting Isolated Communities: Quantitative Evidence on the Adoption of Community Cellular Networks in the Philippines](#)

(Niall Keleher, Mary Claire Barela, Joshua Blumenstock, Cedric Festin, Matthew Podolsky, Arman Rezaee, Erin Troland, Kurtis Heimerl 2020)

Proceedings of the Eleventh International Conference on Information and Communication Technologies and Development

[Does Getting Health Insurance Affect Women's Fertility? Evidence from the United Mine Workers' Health Insurance](#)

(with Theodore Figinski)

American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings 2019

[Modest, Secure, and Informed: Successful Development in Conflict Zones](#)

(with Eli Berman, Joseph Felter, Jacob Shapiro)

American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings 2013

RESEARCH NOTES AND REPORTS

[The Hidden Costs of Disability](#)

(with Doug Webber and Zofsha Merchant)

FEDS Notes 2025

[Did the Pandemic Change Who Became Behind on Rent? Characteristics of Renters Behind on Rent Before and After the Pandemic Onset](#)

(with Zofsha Merchant)

FEDS Notes 2023

[Improving Housing Payment Projections during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)

(with Jeff Larrimore)

FEDS Notes 2020

[Balancing Research and Policy Work in Government Jobs](#)

Committee on the Status of Women in Economics News, 2020 Issue III

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (including planned)

2025: ZEW Public Finance Conference

Freddie Mac Rural Research Symposium

2024: National Tax Association Annual Meeting

Lincoln Institute of Land Policy Urban Economics and Public Finance Conference

Washington DC Urban Economics Day

2023: National Tax Association Spring Symposium

Summer Institute on Computational Social Science, Howard University/Mathematica

UC San Diego Development and Applied Economics Conference

International Institute of Public Finance Annual Congress

Syracuse-Chicago Webinar Series on Property Tax Administration and Design

- 2022: NBER and MIT Sloan Conference on Distributional Consequences of New Energy Technologies
Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting
- 2021: American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference
Southern Regional Science Association Conference
- 2020: NBER Summer Institute, Development of the American Economy
- 2019: National Tax Association Annual Meeting
FRB Chicago W.E. Upjohn Institute and the Michigan Citizens Research Council Rural Economic Development Conference
Federal Reserve Board System Committee on Regional Economics Conference
Consumer Finance Round Robin (CFPB, FRB Philadelphia, FRB)
American Economic Association Annual Meeting
- 2018: UC San Diego Development Economics Conference
7th GREThA International Conference on Economic Development
- 2017: U.S. Treasury Office of Tax Analysis Research Conference
Political Economy of Development: Western Political Science Association Mini-Conference
- 2016: 6th GREThA International Conference on Economic Development
- 2015: Herbert York Global Security Dissertation Fellowship Symposium
- 2014: National Tax Association Annual Conference
Northeast Universities Development Consortium Conference
Empirical Studies of Conflict Annual Meeting

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Visiting Scholar

INSEAD Stone Centre for the Study of Wealth Inequality, Spring 2025

Conference and Seminar Organization

Program Subcommittee on Housing, Community Development, and Urban Policy, APPAM Annual Fall Research Conference 2025

Program Committee on State and Local/Education, 117th NTA Annual Conference on Taxation 2024

Steering Committee, Financial Literacy Seminar Series, Federal Reserve Board and the George Washington University School of Business, 2019 – 2023

Mentoring

Mentor, American Economic Association Summer Program, 2025

Mentor, Research in Color Foundation, 2022 – 2023

Project Advisor, Howard University and Federal Reserve Board R Programming and Applied Statistics Course, Fall 2020, Spring 2021, Fall 2024

Leader, UCSD Women in Economics Mentoring Group, 2013 – 2014

REFEREE SERVICE

Journal of Housing Economics, National Tax Journal, Public Budgeting and Finance, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Public Finance Review, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Conflict Resolution, Journal of Peace Research, Conflict Management and Peace Science

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

2021 Federal Reserve Board Division of Consumer and Community Affairs Director Award
2014-2015 Herbert F. York Global Security Dissertation Fellowship
2011 Graduate Student Research Fellowship (UC San Diego)
2010 Graduate Student Research Fellowship (UC San Diego)
2009 First Runner Up, Midwest Economics Association Undergraduate Research Competition
2008 James W. Martin Award for Outstanding Senior in Economics (University of Kentucky)
2023 Price is Right Champion, Division of Consumer and Community Affairs Holiday Party

GRANTS

\$50,000 Development Impact Lab (DIL)
\$25,000 UC San Diego Policy Design and Evaluation Lab (PDEL)

TEACHING POSITIONS

2017 Adjunct Lecturer - University of Maryland, Department of Economics

2009-2011, 2015 Teaching Assistant: Upper Division Microeconomics, Public Policy
University of California, San Diego – Undergraduate Economics Program