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Current Position

Tufts University, Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, 2009 – current.

Previous Positions

Institute for the Study of Labor, Research Associate (2006-2009), Bonn, Germany.

Affiliations

Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA), Research Fellow.

Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development, Kennedy School of Government, Cambridge, MA, Research Fellow.

Education

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, A.M., 2003, Ph.D. in Political Economy, 2006.

Yale University, Degree in International and Development Economics, A.M, 1996.

Dartmouth College, B.A, 1994.

Publications

“Errors in Self-Reported Wages: The Role of Previous Earnings Volatility and Individual Characteristics.” *Forthcoming in Journal of Development Economics*.

“Determinants of Trafficking in Women and Children: Cross-National Evidence, Theory and Policy Implications.” (with A. Basu, A. Bedi, and N. Chau) *Forthcoming in Frontiers of Economics and Globalization, Volume 8, Migration and Culture, by Ira Gang and Gil Epstein*.

“Parent’s Incomes and Children’s Outcomes: A Quasi-Experiment with Casinos on American Indian Reservations,” (with J. Costello, W. Copeland, G. Keeler and A. Angold), *American Economics Journal: Applied Economics, Volume 2, No. 1, January 2010, pp. 86-115*.

“Who Leaves? Deciphering Immigrant Self-Selection from a Developing Country,” *Economic Development and Cultural Change, October 2009*.

“Combating Trafficking in Women and Children: A Review of International and National Legislation, Coordination Failures, and Perverse Economic Incentives,” (with Arnab Basu, Arjun Bedi and Nancy Chau), *Journal of Human Rights and Civil Society, Issue 2, Fall 2009, pp. 1-24.*

“Checkerboards and Coase: Transactions Costs and Efficiency in Land Markets,” *Journal of Law and Economics, 2009, vol. 52.*

Other Publications

‘Counting Experience’ Among the Least Counted: The Role of Cultural and Community Engagement on Educational Outcomes for American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Students.” (with Tarajeau Yazzie) *Forthcoming in American Indian Culture and Research Journal.*

Research in Labor Economics. “Child Labor” Vol. 30, edited with Eric Edmonds and Konstantinos Tatsiramos, Emerald Publishing, forthcoming.

Institute for the Study of Labor Prize Book. “David Card and Alan Krueger” edited with Klaus Zimmermann, Oxford University Press, forthcoming.

Working Papers

“Constitutional Change and Economic Growth on American Indian Reservations” (with Miriam Jorgensen and Uwe Sunde).

“Does More Money Make You Fat? The Effects of Quasi- Experimental Income Transfers on Adolescent and Young Adult Obesity.” (with Emilia Simeonova, Adrian Angold, E. Jane Costello and William Copeland).

“Skin Tone’s Decreasing Importance on Employment: Evidence from a Longitudinal Dataset, 1985-2000.” (with Mutlu Yuksel) revise and re-submit to *Industrial and Labor Relations Review.*

“The Persistence of Self-Employment Across Borders: New Evidence on Legal Immigrants to the US.” (with D. Jaeger and K. Tatsiramos).

Research in Progress

“Survey on Remittances in India: Accuracy in Self-Reporting” (with Devesh Kapur)

“Human Capital Investment and Employment Decisions in the Rainforest” (with Drew Beauchamp)

“Furlough Fridays and Youth Activities” (with Sally Kwak and Timothy Halliday)

“Uniform Commercial Code Adoption on American Indian Reservations” (with Richard Todd and Sue Woodruff)

“Cash Transfers and School Achievement: Evidence from the Choctaw Nation” (with Emilia Simeonova)

“Forced Assimilation and Labor Market Outcomes”

Grants and Awards

Bernstein Faculty Fellow, 2010-2011. Award of \$5,000 for research.

Faculty Research Awards Committee, Tufts University, \$4,940 for project on “Self-Employment of American Indians”, Fall 2009.

Spencer Foundation, “The Effect of School Quality on Students’ Long-Run Outcomes,” \$40,000 for survey implementation, 2009-2010.

Humboldt Foundation, “Illegal and Illicit Migration” joint with Hilmar Schneider, Melanie Khamis, Nancy Chau and Arnab Basu, 50,000 Euros for research and workshop, June 2009.

Consulting Activity

Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis – Consultant on data collection and analysis for research on American Indian reservations and uniform commercial codes. 2010-2012.

African Economics Research Consortium (AERC) - External Examiner for the Labor Economics Course for the AERC Masters Program in Nairobi, Kenya. Fall 2007, 2008, 2010.

Teaching and Research Fields

Primary fields: Development Economics, Labor Economics

Teaching Experience

Fall 2009, 2010 Basic Econometrics, Tufts University

Spring 2010, 2011

Fall 2007, 2006 Graduate Advisor for AERC doctoral students while in Bonn, Germany

Spring, 2004 & 2003 Economic Development in East Asia, Harvard University, teaching fellow for Professor Dwight Perkins

Summer, 2003 Economic Development in India and East Asia, Harvard University Summer School

Fall, 2002 Globalization and World History, Harvard University, teaching fellow for Professor Jeffrey Williamson

August 2003 & 2002 Introduction to Microeconomics, Kennedy School of Government, lecturer for incoming MPP and MPA students

Research Experience and Other Employment

2004-2005 Research Assistant for Professor Devesh Kapur, Harvard University

2001-2002 Research Associate, Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development, Harvard University Kennedy School of Government

1997-2000 Economic Development Specialist, Office of Hawaiian Affairs, Honolulu, Hawai`i

Invited Presentations

2011 American Economics Association Presentation, Denver, Colorado; Dalhousie University, Nova Scotia, Canada.

2010 Clark University Economics Seminar, Myron Weiner Seminar Series on International Migration, University of California – Riverside; Montana State University Workshop on Property Rights in North American Indian Economies; NEUDC 2010 – MIT.

2009 Tufts University, Wellesley College, Hunter College, University of San Francisco, Society of Labor Economists, Boston, MA, Brown University, Race and Inequality Seminar, October 2009. Boston College, Applied Microeconomics Seminar, November 2009

2008 American Economics Association, Panel Presentation, “Innovations and Insights from the New Immigrant Survey”; 2008 Native American and Indigenous Studies Meeting, Panel "Examining Educational Attainment from Different Perspectives"; University of Oxford, Center for the Study of African Economies; University of Nottingham, Development Seminar; University of Bristol, Development Seminar; European Economics Association Meeting; European Association of Labor Economists, European Summer Symposium in Labor Economics Paper Presentation; UC Irvine Economics Department Seminar; UC Santa Cruz Economics Department Seminar; Bocconi University Economic Development Seminar; Rutgers University Labor Seminar; University College Dublin; Trinity College; World Bank Development Seminar; Center for Global Development Seminar

2007 2007 Native American and Indigenous Studies Meeting, Panel "Creating New Tools for Researchers : A Longitudinal Data Set for Indigenous Peoples in the US and the Determinants of their Educational Attainment: A Workshop";

- University of Hawaii, Economics Seminar
 University of Gottingen, Development Seminar
 Northeast Universities Development Conference, Harvard University
 European Economics Association Meeting Paper Presentation “Checkerboards and Coase” Budapest, Hungary
 Presented paper: “Errors in Earnings Reporting: The Role of Previous Earnings Volatility” at the Sixth Annual IZA / Society of Labor Economists Transatlantic Meetings, Ammersee, Germany
 Oklahoma University, Indigenous Studies Conference, presented on panel titled: “New Research Tools in Indigenous Studies”
 Discussant at IZA-World Bank Workshop: The Informal Economy and Informal Labor Markets in Developing, Transition and Emerging Economies, Bologna, Italy
- 2006 University of Hawaii, Economics Seminar
 Center for Research and Analysis of Migration, University College of London.
 Presented paper titled: “Who Leaves and Who Returns?”
- 2005 University of California, Riverside, Public Policy Initiative Seminar Series;
 Discussant at Second Migrant Ethnicity Meeting, IZA, Bonn, Germany; Western Economics Association International Conference, San Francisco, CA;
 Department of Business and Economics, University of Asturias, Spain
- 2003 Real Colegio Complutense, Harvard University, presented paper titled: “Impact of Cultural Tourism on Educational Choices of Indigenous Peoples: A Maori Example”

Honors, Scholarships, and Fellowships

- 2011-2012 Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation 2011 Career Enhancement Fellowship for Junior Faculty
- 2004-2005 Charles Eastman Dissertation Fellowship, Dartmouth College
- 2004 Social Science Research Council Mellon Mays Doctoral Fellow
 Social Science Research Council Mellon Pre-Doctoral Research Grant
- 2003-2005 1665 Native American Program Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, Harvard University
- 2002-2005 Doctoral Fellow, Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development
- 2002 Savitz Family Fund for Environmental Studies, Harvard University
- 2000-2005 Graduate Prize Fellowship, Harvard University
- 2000-2002 Kamehameha Schools Graduate School Fellowship

Interviews

“Parents’ Incomes and Children’s Outcomes” in Vox Talks at the Center for Economic Policy Research (CEPR) October 3, 2008. Audio at: <http://www.voxeu.eu/index.php?q=node/1260>

Editorial Experience

Guest Editor for special issue of Research in Labor Economics on Child Labor, 2010

Editorial Board, *Hulili: Multidisciplinary Research on Hawaiian Well-Being*

Referee Experience

Quarterly Journal of Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Development Economics, Labour Economics, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Industrial Relations, Berkeley Electronic Journals in Economic Analysis and Policy, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of African Economies, Research in Labor Economics, Small Business Economics.

Tufts University Committee Experience

Graduate Program Committee, Tufts University Economics Department, 2009-2010.
Northeastern Universities Economic Development Conference (NEUDC) Organizing Committee, Tufts University, Fall 2009.
Recruitment Search Committee for International Economics 2010-2011

Research Event Organization

Third IZA Child Labor Workshop, Mexico City, Mexico, June 2011

IZA/World Bank Fifth Annual Conference on Employment and Development, Mexico City, Mexico June 2011.

Northeastern Universities Economic Development Conference (NEUDC) at Tufts University, Fall 2009.

IZA/World Bank Fourth Annual Conference on Employment and Development, Bonn, Germany, May 2009.

Second IZA Child Labor Workshop, Bonn, Germany, May 2009

IZA / World Bank Third Annual Conference on Employment and Development, Rabat, Morocco, May 2008.

IZA / World Bank Second Annual Conference on Employment and Development, Bonn, Germany, June 2007.

IZA Child Labor Workshop, Bonn, Germany, June 2007.