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Employment

2023 –   Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Notre Dame

Affiliations

Faculty, Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities (LEO)

Research Affiliate, Children's Data Network (CDN)

Education

2023   Ph.D. Economics, Princeton University

2016   B.A. Economics, B.A. Computer Science, Cornell University
Honors in Economics and Distinction in Computer Science

Working Papers

"The Impact of Algorithmic Tools on Child Protection: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial" with Marie-Pascale Grimon

"Safe from Harm? Peers and Criminal Capital Formation in Congregate Foster Care" with Sarah Font
Revise and Resubmit, Journal of Human Resources

"More Money, Fewer Problems? The Effect of Foster Care Payments on Children's Quality of Care" with Anna Chorniy

"Gatherings, Giving, and Life Trajectories: Evidence from Student Missions Conferences"

Work in Progress

"Racial Disparities and Decision Tools in Child Protection" with Emily Putnam-Hornstein

"Child Protective Services Contact, Parental Behavior, and Infant Health" with Emily Putnam-Hornstein

Invited Talks and Presentations

2023   Econometric Society (USA), UC San Diego, UC Santa Barbara, University of Delaware,
University of Notre Dame, UT Austin (LBJ), University of Virginia (Batten)
2022   APPAM, ASREC, Econometric Society (Europe)*
2021   AEA Annual Conference, NeurIPS WHMD* (top three of 47 submissions), University of Sydney*
2020   APPAM, ASHEcon Emerging Scholars, MIT Data to AI Lab[†], University of Queensland[†]
       *co-author ; [†]panelist

Fellowships, Grants, and Past Affiliations

2020 – 2023   Graduate Student Fellow, Griswold Center for Economic Policy Studies (GCEPS)
2019 – 2023   Princeton Center for Health and Wellbeing Grant:
                   "The Effect of Algorithmic Tools on Child Protection Decisions and Child Wellbeing"
2019   National Data Archive on Child Abuse and Neglect (NDACAN) Summer Research
                   Institute Participant (one third of applicants selected)
2017 – 2022   Louis A. Simpson *60 Graduate Fellowship, Princeton University
2016   Departmental Award for Excellence in Coursework, Economics, Cornell University
2016   Phi Beta Kappa
2015 – 2016   Honors Program in Economics, Cornell University

Teaching Experience

Primary Instructor

Fall 2023   Data Analytics and Impact Evaluation

Assistant Instructor

2020-2023 *(x3)*   Introduction to Microeconomics

2019   Advanced Econometrics for Policymakers (MPA)

2018-2020 *(x2)*   Junior Research Advising

Professional Activities

Refereeing

American Economic Review, *AEJ: Applied Economics*

Committee Membership

2019-2020   Co-President, Graduate Economics Council, Princeton University
2016-2019   Cohort Representative to Faculty, Graduate Economics Council, Princeton University
2014-2016   Economics Honor Society, Cornell University

Skills

Programming: Stata, Python, MATLAB, R, Java, C, ArcGIS, LaTeX

Personal

Citizenship: United States

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