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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

California Policy Lab UCLA, Post-Doctoral Scholar *July 2020-present*
UCLA California Center For Population Research, Affiliate *July 2021-present*

EDUCATION

Harvard University, PhD in Economics *May 2020*
Dissertation: “Essays on Income Inequality”
Committee: Nathaniel Hendren, Raj Chetty, Lawrence Katz, and Elie Tamer
Brown University, ScB in Computer Science and Economics *May 2013*

PUBLICATIONS

“Team-Specific Capital and Innovation” (with Xavier Jaravel and Neviana Petkova). 2018. *American Economic Review*, 108(4-5):1034-73.

“Who Becomes an Inventor in America? The Importance of Exposure to Innovation” (with Raj Chetty, Xavier Jaravel, Neviana Petkova, and John van Reenen). *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Volume 134, Issue 2, May 2019, Pages 6477-13.

“Do Tax Cuts Produce More Einsteins? The Impacts of Financial Incentives vs. Exposure to Innovation on the Supply of Inventors” (with Raj Chetty, Xavier Jaravel, Neviana Petkova, and John van Reenen), *Journal of the European Economic Association* Volume 17 (3): 651-77, 2019.

“Estimating the Cumulative Impact of the Pandemic on Workers Using Administrative Unemployment Insurance Data” (with TJ Hedin, Peter Mannino, Roozbeh Moghadam, Carl Romer, Geoffrey Schnorr, and Till von Wachter), *American Economic Association: Papers & Proceedings*. 112(May):2022.

“Disparities in Access to Unemployment Insurance During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Lessons from U.S. and California Claims Data” (with TJ Hedin, Peter Mannino, Roozbeh Moghadam, Geoffrey Schnorr, and Till von Wachter), *RSF: The Russell Sage Foundation Journal of the Social Sciences*. May 2023, 9 (3) 78-109.

“UI Benefit Generosity, Labor Supply, and Job Outcomes from 2002-2020: Evidence from California UI records” (with Geoff Schnorr, TJ Hedin, and Till von Wachter). Conditionally Accepted, *Journal of Labor Economics*

WORKING PAPERS

“The Long-Term Impacts of Mentors: Evidence from Experimental and Administrative Data” (with Neviana Petkova)

“Job Amenities and Earnings Inequality”

“Pricing Neighborhood Amenities: A Proxy Based Approach” (with Sophie Calder-Wang and Shusheng Zhong)

SELECTED OTHER POLICY WRITING

“Early evidence on federal government income supports for U.S. individuals, workers, and families during the COVID-19 pandemic.” The Recovery Reports: Socioeconomic Impacts of COVID Relief. Washington Center for Equitable Growth, December 2022.

“Disparities in Access to Unemployment Insurance During the COVID-19 Pandemic: Lessons from U.S. and California Claims Data” (with Thomas J. Hedin, Roozbeh Moghadam, Geoffrey Schnorr, and Till von Wachter), report to the US Department of Labor issued February 2022.

“Analysis of Unemployment Insurance Claims in California During the COVID-19 Pandemic” (with Thomas J. Hedin, Roozbeh Moghadam, Geoffrey Schnorr, and Till von Wachter) (*Ongoing Series, Last Updated 2022*)

SELECTED GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

Laura & John Arnold Foundation	2022
Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation (Co-PI)	2022
US Dept. of Labor Summer Data Equity Challenge	2021
Washington Center for Equitable Growth Doctoral Grant	2018
Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation Knowledge Challenge	2018
Weatherhead Initiative on Gender Inequality Fellowship	2017
NBER Health & Aging Economics Fellow	2016
Inequality & Social Policy Fellow at Malcolm Weiner Center for Social Policy	2015

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Volunteer high-school equivalency tutor, MCI - Framingham	2016-2018
Senior Thesis Mentor, Harvard, Weatherhead Center for International Studies	Summer 2018
Graduate Labor Economics, Harvard, TF for Prof. Roland Fryer - Certificate of Distinction in Teaching from Bok Center	Fall 2017
Undergrad. Intro. Econometrics, Harvard, TF for Dr. Gregory Bruich - Certificate of Distinction in Teaching from Bok Center	Spring 2017
Development Economics, Brown, TA for Prof. Andrew Foster	Spring 2013
Database Management Systems, Brown, TA for Prof. Stan Zdonik	Spring 2012

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee: <i>AEJ: Applied</i> , <i>AEJ: Policy</i> , <i>AER: Insights</i> , <i>Econometrica</i> , <i>Journal of Human Resources</i> , <i>Journal of Political Economy</i> , <i>Quarterly Journal of Economics</i> , <i>Review of Economic Studies</i>	
Member, CA Policy Lab Race Equity Working Group	2020-present
Volunteer Mentor, CA Policy Lab Undergraduate Summer Institute	2020
Organizer, Harvard Economics Peer Mentoring Program	2016-2018
Chair, Diversity & Inclusion Committee, Harvard Graduate Economics Association	2019-2020