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Education

Ph.D. Economics, UCLA, June 2012
B.A., Political Economy, UC Berkeley, 2004

Teaching and Research Fields:

Economics of Education, Behavioral Economics, Health

Employment:

Spring 2019	Visiting, Harvard University, Economics and Opportunity Insights
Spring 2019	Visiting Behavioral Insights Group faculty affiliate
Fall 2018	Visiting, University of Texas, Austin
2013-Present	Assistant Professor, Teachers College, Columbia University
2013-Present	Senior Research Associate, Community College Research Center
2012-2013	Associate Economist, RAND
2004-2005	New York City Teaching Fellow, Special Education Teacher

Affiliations:

2018-Present	J-PAL Co-Chair, Education Technology and Opportunity Initiative
2017-Present	Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab Affiliate
2017-Present	IZA Research Affiliate
2014-Present	Columbia Committee on the Economics of Education
2013-Present	CESifo Research Network Affiliate
2017-Present	GreatSchools, Advisor
2011-2013	Partnership for L.A. Schools, Family and Community Advisory Board

Honors, Awards and Fellowships:

2018	<i>Engaging Parents at Scale</i> , \$350,000
2017	<i>Bridging the Digital Divide: A Randomized Controlled Trial Providing Internet Access to 10,000 Low-Income Students</i> , \$200,000 with Susha Roy and Elizabeth Setren
2017	<i>Information and Access in School Choice</i> , \$140,000 with Isaac McFarlin, Jr.
2016	<i>Informing and Nudging Families to Opportunity</i> , \$594,000
2015	Emerging Education Policy Scholar

2015	<i>An Audit Study of Schools of Choice</i> , \$32,000 with Isaac McFarlin, Jr.
2015	<i>Dean's Faculty Diversity Research Award</i>
2015	<i>The Long-Run Impacts of a Desegregation Program</i> , \$25,000
2015	<i>Experimental Effects of School Quality Information on Residential Choice</i> \$115,000
2014	<i>Linking Information and Families Together</i> , \$409,807
2014	<i>Improving School Choice through Informed Residential Choice</i> , \$97,000 with Matt Hill and Heather Schwartz
2013	Distinguished CESifo Affiliate Award
2013	Provost's Investment Fund Grant, \$20,000
2013	<i>Parent Engagement Interventions to Address Educational and Health Behavioral Outcomes</i> , \$600,000 with Rebecca Dudovitz and Mitch Wong
2011	Dissertation Year Fellowship

Papers and Projects:

“Parent-Child Information Frictions and Human Capital Investment: Evidence from a Field Experiment” *Conditionally Accepted, Journal of Political Economy*.

“The Risks and Benefits of School Integration for Participating Students: Evidence from a Randomized Desegregation Program.” No. 6119 *CESifo* (2016). *Under Review*.

“Leveraging Low-Cost Technology to Engage Parents at Scale: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial” with Eric Chan. *Forthcoming, Journal of Human Resources*. No. 6493 *CESifo* (2017).

“Low-cost strategies to empower parents through behavioral science” *Forthcoming, Behavioral Science & Policy*.

“Is Information Enough? The Effect of Information about Education Tax Benefits on Student Outcomes” with Jeff Denning and Day Manoli. *Forthcoming, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*.

“Nudging Technology Use: Evidence from a Randomized Controlled Trial”
Forthcoming, Education Finance and Policy.

“The Effects of Making Performance Information Public: Evidence from a Regression Discontinuity Design and Los Angeles Teachers” with Matt Hill.
Economics of Education Review.

“Parent Skills and Information Asymmetries: Experimental Evidence from Home Visits and Text Messages in Middle and High Schools” Peter Bergman, Chana Edmond-Verley and Nicole Notario-Risk. *Economics of Education Review*.

“The Impact of High-Performing Schools on Risky Health Behaviors Among Low-Income

Adolescents: Evidence from Charter-School Lotteries” with Mitchell Wong, Karen Coller, Rebecca Dudovitz, David Kennedy, Richard Buddin, Martin Shapiro, Sheryl Kataoka, Arleen Brown, Chi Hong Tseng, Peter Bergman and Paul Chung. *Pediatrics* (2014).

“The Impact of Defaults on Technology Adoption, and its Underappreciation by Policymakers” with Jessica Lasky-Fink and Todd Rogers. *R&R, Organizational Behavior and Human Decision Processes*. No. 6721 *CESifo* (2017).

“Better Together? Social Networks in Truancy and the Targeting of Treatment” with Magdalena Bennett-Colomer. *R&R, Journal of Labor Economics*.

“Education for All? A Nationwide Audit Study of Schools of Choice” with Isaac McFarlin, Jr.

“Housing Search Frictions: Evidence from Detailed Search Data and a Field Experiment” with Eric Chan and Adam Kapor.

“Creating Moves to Opportunity: Experimental Evidence on Neighborhood Choice Among Housing Voucher Recipients” with Raj Chetty, Stefanie Deluca, Nathan Hendren, Lawrence Katz and Christopher Palmer.

“Using Predictive Analytics to Track Students: Evidence from a 7 College Experiment” with Elisabeth Barnett, Beth Kopko and Vikash Reddy.

“Engaging Parents to Prevent Adolescent Substance Use: A Randomized Controlled Trial” with Kulwant Dosanjh, Rebecca Dudovitz and Mitchell Wong. *Submitted*.