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## EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics and Public Policy, University of Michigan (2014)  
M.A., Economics, University of Michigan (2011)  
B.A., *Summa Cum Laude*, Economics, Colby College (2006)  
*Phi Beta Kappa, Honors in Economics*

## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Amherst College (2022-present): Associate Professor of Economics (with tenure)  
Amherst College (2014-2022): Assistant Professor of Economics

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development, Labor, Migration, Education

## WORKING PAPERS

“Diffusion of Reproductive Health Behavior through International Migration: Effects on Origin-Country Fertility.” (with Susan Godlonton.) Revision Requested, *American Economic Review*.

“Abundance from Abroad: Migrant Earnings and Local Development in the Philippines.” (with Gaurav Khanna, Emir Murathanoglu, and Dean Yang.)

## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

“Medical Worker Migration and Origin-Country Human Capital: Evidence from U.S. Visa Policy.” (with Paolo Abarcar.) *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, forthcoming.

“Child Labor and Economic Development.” (with Eric Edmonds.) Prepared for the Handbook of Labor, Human Resources, and Population Economics (K. Zimmerman ed.), accepted.

“The Short Term Impact of a Productive Asset Transfer in Families with Child Labor: Experimental Evidence from the Philippines.” (with Eric Edmonds). *Journal of Development Economics*, 146, 2020.

“The Unintended Consequences of Migration Policy on Origin-Country Labor Market Decisions.” *Journal of Development Economics*, 142, 2020.

“The Relative Returns to Education, Experience, and Attractiveness for Young Workers” (with Emily Beam and Joshua Hyman.) *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 68(2): 391-428, 2020.

“Manila to Malaysia, Quezon to Qatar: International Migration and its Effects on Origin-Country Human Capital.” *Journal of Human Resources*, 53(4): 1022-1049, 2018.

“Distortions in the International Migrant Labor Market: Evidence from Filipino Migration and Wage Responses to Destination Country Economic Shocks.” (With David McKenzie and Dean Yang.) *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 6(2): 119-127, 2014.

"Health-Seeking Behavior and Hospital Choice in China's New Cooperative Medical System." (With Philip Brown.) *Health Economics*, Vol.18, S47-S64, 2009.

#### WORK IN PROGRESS

“Parenting Styles.” (with Eric Edmonds.)

#### PREVIOUS EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Dean Yang, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (2010-2011)

Senior Research Assistant, Scott Schuh, Federal Reserve Bank of Boston (2006-2008).

Research Assistant, Michael Donihue, Colby College, Waterville, ME (2004-2006).

Economic Assistant, Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, Washington D.C. (2004).

#### FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

2018, 2020                      World Bank Economic Review Excellence in Refereeing Award

2016-2020                      New York University Abu Dhabi, \$25,048, co-PI, “Constructing Migration Histories Data from Sudan,” with Susan Godlonton (PI) and Osman Nour (co-PI).

2017-2018                      Amherst Class of 1952 Eugene S. Wilson Junior Sabbatical Fellowship

2016-2018                      New York University Abu Dhabi, \$151,974, PI, “Norms Transmission Through Migration,” with Susan Godlonton

2015-2018                      U.S. Department of Labor, \$1,050,000, Co-PI, “Evaluation of the Philippine Department of Labor’s KASAMA Program: Livelihood Program for Parents of Child Laborers in the Philippines,” with Eric Edmonds

2015                              Asian Development Bank, \$19,500, Co-PI, “Key Indicators for Asia and the Pacific 2015,” with Emily Beam and Joshua Hyman

2015                              National University of Singapore Staff Research Support, SGD\$4,907, Co-PI “Labor Market Demand in the Philippines,” with Emily Beam and Joshua Hyman

2011-2013                      Rackham Merit Fellowship

2012	MITRE Graduate Research Award, University of Michigan
2012	Rackham Research Grant, University of Michigan
2008-2011	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
2009, 2010	Summer Research Fellowship, University of Michigan

#### INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2024	Claremont McKenna College*
	*denotes scheduled
2023	Ateneo de Manila University, Manila, Philippines World Bank, Washington DC University of Innsbruck, Innsbruck, Austria University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
2022	University of Colorado-Boulder, Boulder, CO Stockholm University, Stockholm, Sweden Lac-Dev Conference, Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA 15 <sup>th</sup> Conference on Migration and Development, NOVA School of Business, Lisbon, Portugal
2021	NBER Summer Institute, Development Economics Workshop Center for Global Development, Washington, DC
2020	Tufts University, Medford, MA Australian National University, Canberra AUS NOVAFRICA, Lisbon, Portugal Boston University, Boston, MA Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), Dartmouth College
2019	Williams College, Williamstown, MA Lac-Dev Conference, Colby College, Waterville, ME Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), Northwestern University, Evanston, IL United States Department of Labor, Washington DC
2018	International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Washington DC 11 <sup>th</sup> Conference on Migration and Development, Stanford University, Palo Alto, CA University of Notre Dame, South Bend, IN Lac-Dev Conference, Middlebury, VT Wellesley College, Wellesley, MA

- NBER Development Meetings (Pre-Conference), Cambridge, MA
- 2017 University of Vermont, Burlington, VT  
 Barcelona Summer Forum (Migration Workshop), Barcelona, Spain  
 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI  
 Clark University, Worcester, MA  
 University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT  
 Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI), Troy, NY  
 Northeast Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), Tufts University, Medford, MA  
 Research & Empirical Analysis of Labor Migration Workshop, NYU Abu Dhabi, Abu Dhabi, UAE
- 2016 Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting (SOLE), Seattle, WA  
 Research & Empirical Analysis of Labor Migration Workshop, Columbia University, New York, NY  
 Union College, Schenectady, NY  
 University of Massachusetts-Amherst, Amherst, MA
- 2015 Dartmouth College, Hanover, NH  
 Smith College Five College Seminar, Northampton, MA  
 8<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Migration and Development, World Bank, Washington DC  
 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI  
 Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MWIEDC), University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI
- 2014 Northeast Universities Development Conference (NEUDC), Boston University, Boston, MA  
 Liberal Arts Colleges Development Conference (LAC-DEV), Colgate University, Hamilton, NY  
 Northeast Economics of Education Workshop, University of Connecticut, West Hartford, CT  
 7<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Migration and Development, Oxford University, Oxford, United Kingdom  
 IZA Labor and Development Conference, Lima, Peru  
 Barcelona Summer Forum (Migration Workshop), Barcelona, Spain  
 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2013 Northeast Universities Development Consortium (poster), Harvard University, Cambridge, MA  
 University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- 2012 Immigration and Poverty Conference, University of California Davis, Davis, CA
- 2011 Money Transmitter Regulators Association (MRTA) Annual Conference, Jacksonville, FL

Midwest Economic Association Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI

2010 Midwest Economic Association Annual Meeting, Evanston, IL  
First TEMPO Conference on International Migration, Trinity College,  
Dublin, Ireland  
3<sup>rd</sup> Migration and Development Conference, Paris School of  
Economics, Paris, France

#### REFEREE (alphabetical)

##### Journals:

Asian Pacific Migration Journal, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economic Journal, Economic Modeling, Economics of Education Review, European Journal of Development Research, International Migration Review, Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Human Capital, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Immigrant and Minority Health, Journal of Law and Economics, Journal of Pension Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Labour Economics, Philippine Journal of Development, Review of Economics of the Household, Review of Economics and Statistics, Quarterly Journal of Economics, World Bank Economic Review, World Development

##### Granting Agencies:

NSF Economics program, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Japan International Cooperation Agency Research Institute.

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

##### *Courses Taught at Amherst College*

Econometrics (EC 360)  
Introduction to Economics (EC 111)  
Economics of Migration (EC 223)  
Education and Human Capital in Developing Countries (EC 421)

##### *Courses Taught at Colby College*

Economics of Migration (ECON 297B)

#### THESIS STUDENTS

##### Primary Advisor:

Julia Yates (2016), “The Effect of Access to Affordable Health Insurance on SSI Acceptance.”  
Ali Rohde (2016), “The Impact of Joint Child Custody Policies on Children’s Long-Term Outcomes.”  
Jamie Gracie (2017), “Long-term Effects of Bilingual Education.”  
Yujing Zhou (2021) “Migrate with Children for a Brighter Future? The Impact of Parental Decisions on the Educational Development of Chinese Internal Migrants’ Children.”  
Noa Simon (2022) “The Impact of Integration on Academic Achievement: A Study of Boston’s Metco Program.”  
Juanita Jaramillo (2022) “Rethinking the Refugee ‘Burden’: The Impact of Refugee Inflows

on U.S. Labor Market and Education Outcomes.”

Co-advisor:

Alena Marovitz (2017), “Empowering the Kilowatt-Hour: Using Social Norms to Reduce Energy Consumption.”

Julia Turner (2019), “The Impact of Resegregation on Racial Achievement Gaps: Insights from Seattle.”

Emily Young (2020), “Show Me the Money: The Effects of School Finance Reform on Input Spending and Student Achievement.”

Ralph Skinner (2020), “Complementarities between Cash Transfer Programs and Public Good Provision: Evidence from India’s Janani Suraksha Yojana.”

Sirig Gurung (2021) “International Spillovers of Surprise Monetary Policy: India’s Demonetization and the Nepali Economy.”

Preliminary Advisor:

Fabian Rivera-Reyes (2019), “The Economic Effects of Insurrectionary Activity”

Sam Beach (2022), “The Earned Income Tax Credit’s Intergenerational Impact on Education”

Reader:

Christina Wang (2016), “Air Pollution and Human Capital Formation in China.”

Rashid Kosber (2017), “Civil Uprisings and Child Health: Evidence from Egypt.”

Audrey Cheng (2020), “Conservation and Development in China’s Nature Reserves: Win-win or Trade-offs?”

Felix Stetsenko (2020), “Raise the Seawalls: Local Governments and Flood Protection.”

Sam Beach (2022), “The Earned Income Tax Credit’s Intergenerational Impact on Education”

David Xu (2022) “Gig Work and Education Decisions: The Effect of Uber on College Enrollment and Attainment”

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND EXPERIENCE**

Economics Department Chair (July 2023-present)

2023 Liberal Arts Development Economics Conference Organizer

Amherst College Committee on Teaching Effectiveness (2021-2022)

Amherst College Housing Committee (2019-2021)

Amherst College Education Studies Working Group (2017-present)

Amherst College Seminar Co-Organizer (2015-2016, 2018-2019, 2019-2020, 2020-2021)

Amherst College Liaison for the Counsel on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (CSWEP)

First Year Advisor, Amherst College (2015, 2018)

Invited member, Public Policy and Economics Doctoral Program Admissions Committee, Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan (2011-2012).

Founding organizer, Annual University of Michigan Women in Economics Mentorship Social (2010-2012).

Organizer, Ford School of Public Policy Dissertation Workshop (2011-2013)

**CITIZENSHIP: U.S.A.**