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EMPLOYMENT

Census Bureau	Chief, Income Statistics Branch Economist	2022- 2021-2022
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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley	PhD, Public Policy	2021
University of California, Berkeley	MPP	2016
Boston College	BA, International Studies	2009

PUBLICATIONS

Measuring Take-up of the Earned Income Tax Credit Using State Administrative Data
with John Iselin and Taylor Mackay
Journal of Public Economics, Vol 227, November 2023

Can Nudges Increase Take-up of the Earned Income Tax Credit?: Evidence from Multiple Field Experiments
with Elizabeth Linos, Allen Prohofskey, Aparna Ramesh, and Jesse Rothstein
American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Vol. 14, No. 4, November 2022

Measuring the Labor Market at the Onset of the COVID-19 Crisis
with Alexander W. Bartik, Marianne Bertrand, Feng Lin, and Jesse Rothstein
Brookings Papers on Economic Activity, Summer 2020

WORKING PAPERS

Beating the Clock: Using Year-end Changes to Identify Labor Supply Responses to Taxation

Employment and Earnings Responses to California's Young Child Tax Credit

Filling in the Blanks: Improving SNAP Retention through Pre-Population?
with Pamela Herd, Donald Moynihan, and Gwen Rino

Married... with Children?: Assessing Alignment between Tax Units and Survey Households

Targeting, Screening, and Retention: Evidence from the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program in California

CENSUS PRODUCTS

National Experimental Wellbeing Statistics
with Adam Bee, Joshua Mitchell, Nikolas Mittag, Jon Rothbaum, Carl Sanders and Lawrence Schmidt

Modeling State Tax Rebate Payments in the 2022 CPS ASEC
with Douglas Conway

The Impact of Alternative Inflation Adjustments on CPS ASEC Income Statistics
with Jessica Semega and Melissa Kollar

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

2017- Research Fellow, California Policy Lab
2019-2020 Research Assistant, W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research
2017-2018 Research Assistant, Prof. Alexander Gelber
2016-2017 Research Assistant, UC Berkeley Institute for Research on Labor and Employment (IRLE)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2016, 2018 Lecturer, Quantitative Methods, Public Policy & International Affairs Program
2015-2017 Graduate Student Instructor, Introductory Statistics and Econometrics
2015 Graduate Student Instructor, Wealth and Poverty

PRESENTATIONS

2023 Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA)/Society of Government Economists (SGE) Meeting
2022 Western Economic Association (WEAI) Conference; Federal Committee on Statistical Methodology (FCSM) Research and Policy Conference; Population Association of America (PAA) Annual Conference
2021 National Tax Association (NTA) National Conference
2020 UC Berkeley Economics Department; UC Berkeley Goldman School of Public Policy
2019 Association for Public Policy and Administration (APPAM) National Conference

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2023 National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) Fellowship on Economic Measurement
2020 National Institute of Aging (NIA) and UC Berkeley Demography Training Grant
 UC Berkeley IRLE Fellowship
 Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy, Trustee's Award
 UC Center Sacramento Emerging Scholar Award, Honorable Mention
2019 UC Berkeley Opportunity Lab Labor Science Initiative Research Grant
2018 UW Madison Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP) Researcher-Practitioner Partnership Program; UC Berkeley IRLE Research Grant
2017 Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award