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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, Arizona State University	2013
M.S. Economics, Arizona State University	2009
B.S. Mathematics, <i>Summa cum Laude</i> , Bentley College	2007

CURRENT AFFILIATION

Yale University	
Visiting Assistant Professor, School of Management	2017 – 2018
University of Notre Dame	
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics	2013 – present
Concurrent Faculty Member, Keough School for Global Affairs	2016 – present

RESEARCH

Working Papers

“Mentors or Teachers? Microenterprise Training in Kenya,” with Wyatt Brooks and Terence Johnson. January 2017. Revision requested at *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*

“Factors Affecting College Attainment and Student Ability in the U.S. since 1900,” with Christopher Herrington. January 2017. Revision requested at *Review of Economic Dynamics*

“Agricultural Risk, Intermediate Inputs, and Cross-Country Productivity Differences.” December 2016. *submitted*

“Eliminating Uncertainty in Market Access: Evidence from New Bridges in Rural Nicaragua,” with Wyatt Brooks. January 2017.

Selected Work in Progress

“Distortions or Sorting in Agricultural Intermediates? Theory and Evidence from Malawi Fertilizer Subsidies,” with Sara Esfahani

“Labor Market Transitions and Occupational Attachment Across Countries,” with Jianyu Lu and Todd Schoellman

TEACHING

Notre Dame: Development Economics (PhD), Macro Grad Student Research Workshop (PhD), Poverty in the Developing World

Arizona State: Intermediate Microeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomics

PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

2017 (including scheduled): Bristol, Edinburgh, Toulouse, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, West Virginia, Yale, Agriculture and Development Conference (Yale), NBER Conference on “Understanding Productivity Growth in Agriculture,” NBER Summer Institute (Productivity, Entrepreneurship, and Development), Econometric Society Summer Meeting, Society for Economic Dynamics, SITE Development Workshop (Stanford)

2016: UNC-Charlotte, World Bank, Conference on “New Data and New Questions: Implications for Macroeconomics” (Arizona State), Chicago Fed Development Workshop, International Growth Centre Growth Week, Econometric Society Summer Meeting, World Bank ABCDE

2015: Western Ontario, McMaster, York, European Economic Association Meeting, Arizona State Reunion Conference, Development Day (Michigan), Notre Dame Paella Workshop

2014: ITAM, Atlanta Fed, Toronto, Luksic Conference (PUC Chile), Conference on Structural Development Perspectives (Peking), Society for Economic Dynamics, Arizona State Reunion Conference

≤ 2013: Miami, Notre Dame, Virginia, Rochester, World Bank, SUNY Buffalo, Georgia State, Exeter, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Laval, St. Louis Fed, Washington State, Canadian Economic Association Meeting, CASEE Macro Reunion Conference, Midwest Macro Summer Meeting, Econometric Society Summer Meeting, Society for Economic Dynamics

Discussions:

“Asymmetric Information and Remittances: Evidence from Matched Administrative Data,” by Joseph, Nyarko, and Wang (2017 AEA Annual Meeting)

“Non-Traded Goods and Capital Flows to Developing Countries,” by Rothert and Short (2014 Canadian Macro Study Group)

SERVICE

Referee

Journals: *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, *American Economic Review*, *Canadian Journal of Economics*, *Economic Journal*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, *Review of Development Economics*, *Review of Economic Dynamics*, *Review of Economic Studies*

Grants: *National Science Foundation (NSF)*, *Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)*

Advising (placement)

2018 (expected): Sara Esfahani, Jianyu Lu

2015: Eva Van Leemput, committee member (Federal Reserve Board)

Conference Organization

2017: Cornell-Notre Dame Conference on Macro Development (with Julieta Caunedo, at Notre Dame London)