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## EDUCATION

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| 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

|   |                |
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| Yale University   |                |
| Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, 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. Revision requested at *Review of Economic Studies*

“Eliminating Uncertainty in Market Access: Evidence from New Bridges in Rural Nicaragua,” with Wyatt Brooks. July 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), Grad Student Research Workshop (PhD), Poverty in the Developing World

*Arizona State:* Intermediate Microeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomics

## PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

2018 (scheduled): McGill

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 P.A.E.L.L.A. 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)