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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

## AFFILIATIONS

### Current

Assistant Professor of Economics, Yale School of Management	2018 –
Affiliate, Yale Research Initiative on Innovation and Scale (Y-RISE)	2018 –

### Previous

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

## RESEARCH

### Published Papers

‘Mentors or Teachers? Microenterprise Training in Kenya,’ with Wyatt Brooks and Terence Johnson. July 2018. *American Economic Journal: Applied*, forthcoming

‘Factors Affecting College Attainment and Student Ability in the U.S. since 1900,’ with Christopher Herrington. July 2018. *Review of Economic Dynamics*, forthcoming

### Working Papers

‘Agricultural Risk, Intermediate Inputs, and Cross-Country Productivity Differences.’ June 2018. Revision requested at *Review of Economic Studies*

‘Eliminating Uncertainty in Market Access: The Impact of New Bridges in Rural Nicaragua,’ with Wyatt Brooks. November 2017. Revision requested at *Econometrica*

‘Labor Market Flows and Development,’ with Jianyu Lu and Todd Schoellman. March 2018.

## **Selected Work in Progress**

“Bringing Data to the Model: Firm-to-Firm Learning in a Structural Model,” with Wyatt Brooks and Terence Johnson

“Labor Market Dynamics Amplify Firm Size Distortions,” with Jianyu Lu and Todd Schoellman

## **TEACHING**

*Yale*: Economic Strategy for Doing Business in Developing Countries (MBA), The Global Macroeconomy (Executive MBA)

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

*Arizona State*: Intermediate Microeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomics

## **PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS (last 5 years)**

2018: Stanford\*, Illinois\*, World Bank\*, NYU\*, U British Columbia\*, Columbia\*, McGill, Barcelona Summer Forum (Growth and Fluctuations), BREAD, NBER Summer Institute (Growth, Macro Perspectives), Society for Economics Dynamics

\* – *scheduled seminar*

2017: Bristol, Edinburgh, Stony Brook, 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, RIDGE Workshop on Growth and Development in Macroeconomics, 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: McMaster, Western Ontario, York, European Economic Association Meeting, Arizona State Reunion Conference, Development Day (Michigan), P.A.E.L.L.A. Workshop (Notre Dame)

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

### *Discussions:*

“Capital Obsolescence and Agricultural Productivity.” by Caunedo and Keller (2018 Canadian Macro Study Group)

“The Agricultural Wage Gap: Evidence from Brazilian Micro-data,” by Alvarez (2018 AEA Meeting)

“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 Rotherth and Short (2014 Canadian Macro Study Group)

## **SERVICE**

### **Advising (placement)**

Ongoing: Jianyu Lu

2018: Sara Esfahani (Sam Houston State University)

2015: Eva Van Leemput (Federal Reserve Board)

### **Referee**

Journals: *AEJ: Applied*, *AEJ: Macro*, *American Economic Review*, *B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics*, *Canadian Journal of Economics*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Economic Inquiry*, *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*, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*

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

### **Conference Organization**

2017, 2018: Workshop on Macro Development [[website](#)], with Julieta Caunedo