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EDUCATION

Columbia University 2020-2026 (anticipated)

PhD, Business Economics Fields: Industrial Organization, Labor Economics, Business Economics

MPhil, Economics

2024
MA, Economics

2022

University of California, Berkeley

2016-2020

BA, Computer Science and Economics

Relevant Coursework: Econometrics, Machine Learning, Signals and Systems, Databases, Probability Theory, Statistical Computing, Financial Economics, International Macrofinance

GPA: 3.92

PAPERS

Doctor Quality from the Physician Training Pipeline

2025

• I merge administrative health insurance claims data with doctor profiles. I estimate individual doctor performance using patient outcomes and analyze the educational and demographic determinants of doctor performance.

Congestion and Demand for College Majors

2023

• I build a model for student demand for college major which takes into account spillover effects of major oversubscription. I estimate the demand model in a large university system using variation in transfer student majors.

Demand for Quality in For-Profit Education

2022

WORK EXPERIENCE

Research assistant for Prof. Cristobal Otero

2024

 Used a variety of NLP and ML methods to process raw hospital procurement order text into categorical variables for regression analysis

Research assistant for Prof. Chris Moser

2022

• Decomposed US Census matched employer-employee data into high and low productivity/pay workers and firms with a movers design and fit the estimated fixed effects to a macroeconomic model of the firm life cycle

Research assistant for Profs. Patrick Kline and Chris Walters

2019-2020

 Automated monitoring of job boards and the job application process for the purpose of running a large-scale resume experiment

Research assistant for Prof. Stefano Dellavigna

2018-2020

- Used k-means clustering to detect geographic pricing in supermarket retail price data
- Examined the determinants of geographic pricing behavior with data visualization and regression analysis

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

TA for Intro to Economics

TA for MA Econometrics I

Summer 2024

Fall 2023

TA for MA Microeconomics 2 (Game Theory)

Spring 2023

TECHNICAL STRENGTHS

ProgrammingPython, R, Julia, SQL, JavaSoftwareStata, scrapy, Selenium

AWARDS

Dissertation Fellowship, Columbia University
Dean's Fellowship, Columbia University
Phi Beta Kappa

2025-2026

2020-2025

2020