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APPOINTMENTS:

July-2016 -Present - Associate Professor (Without Tenure), Department of Economics/SIPA, Columbia University.
July 2010-July-2016 - Assistant Professor, Department of Economics/SIPA, Columbia University.
August 2013-May 2014 – Visiting Assistant Professor, MIT Department of Economics.
2008-2010 - Harvard Academy Junior Scholar Postdoctoral Fellow, Harvard University.

EDUCATION:

University of California, Berkeley
University of Massachusetts, Amherst
University of Waterloo

DEGREE

Ph.D.
M.A.
B.Math.(With Distinction)

DATE

December 2008
August 2004
May 2001

FIELD

Economics
Economics
Pure Mathematics
(minor in Peace and Conflict Studies)

PUBLISHED PAPERS:

- “Democracy Does Cause Growth” (with Daron Acemoglu, James Robinson, and Pascual Restrepo)
-Forthcoming at the *Journal of Political Economy*
- “Start-Up Nation? Slave Wealth and Entrepreneurship in Civil War Maryland” (with Felipe Gonzalez and Guillermo Marshall)
-Forthcoming at the *Journal of Economic History*
- “Labor Market Institutions in the Gilded Age of American Economic History” (with Noam Yuchtman)
-Forthcoming in the Oxford Handbook of American Economic History, edited by Lou Cain, Price Fishback, and Paul Rhode.
- “Monopsony in Migrant Labor Markets: Evidence from the United Arab Emirates” (with Yaw Nyarko and Shing-Yi Wang)
- *Journal of Political Economy* Vol. 124 (6) (December 2016):1735-1792. (Lead Article)
- “Intergenerational Mobility and Institutional Change in 20th Century China” (with Yuyu Chen, Tinghua Yu, and Noam Yuchtman)
- *Explorations in Economic History* Vol. 58 (March 2015): 44-73.
- “Democracy, Redistribution, and Inequality” (with Daron Acemoglu, James Robinson, and Pascual Restrepo)
- Handbook of Income Distribution, edited by Anthony Atkinson and Francois Bourguignon.
- “Bases, Bullets, and Ballots: The Effect of U.S. Military Aid on Political Conflict in Colombia” (with Oeindrila Dube)
- *Journal of Politics* Vol. 7 (1) (January 2015): 249-267.
- "Detecting Latent Ideology in Expert Text: Evidence From Academic Papers in Economics" (with Zubin Jelveh and Bruce Kogut)
- *Proceedings of Empirical Methods in Natural Language Processing* 2014.
- “When the Levees Broke: Black Migration and Economic Development in the U.S. South” (with Richard Hornbeck)
- *American Economic Review* Vol.104(3) (March 2014) :963-90
- "Political Polarization and the Dynamics of Political Language: Evidence from 140 Years of Congressional Speech" (with Jacob Jensen, Ethan Kaplan, and Laurence Wilse-Samson)
-*Brookings Papers on Economic Activity* Vol. 2012 (2) (February 2013):1-81 (Lead Article)
- "Historical Analysis of Legal Opinions Using a Sparse Mixed-effects Latent Variable Model" with William Wang, Elijah Mayfield, and Jeremiah Dittmar.
-*Proceedings of the 50th Annual Meeting of the Association for Computational Linguistics* 2012.

“Coercive Contract Enforcement: Law and the Labor Market in 19th Century Industrial Britain” (with Noam Yuchtman)
-*American Economic Review* Vol. 103(1) (February 2013):107-144

“Coups, Corporations, and Classified Information” (with Arindrajit Dube and Ethan Kaplan)
-*Quarterly Journal of Economics* Vol. 126(3) (July 2011): 1375-1409 (Editor’s Choice)

“Intergenerational Wealth Transmission and the Dynamics of Inequality in Small-Scale Societies” (with Monique Borgerhoff Mulder, Samuel Bowles, Tom Hertz, et al.)
-*Science* Vol. 326. No. 5953 (October 30, 2009), pp 682-688.

“Equilibrium Selection with Idiosyncratic Intentional Play” (with Samuel Bowles and Sung-Ha Hwang)
- *Economics Letters* Vol. 109, No. 1 (October 2010), pp. 31-33.

“The Economic Determinants of Land Invasions” (with Danny Hidalgo, Simeon Nichter, and Neal Richardson)
- *Review of Economics and Statistics* Vol. 92, No. 3 (August, 2010), pp. 505-523.

“Recruitment Restrictions and Labor Markets: Evidence from the Post-Bellum U.S. South,”
- *Journal of Labor Economics*. Vol. 28, No. 2 (April 2010), pp. 413-445.

“The Economic Impacts of a Citywide Minimum Wage” (with Arindrajit Dube and Michael Reich)
-*Industrial and Labor Relations Review* Vol. 60, No. 4 (July 2007), pp. 522-543.

WORKING PAPERS:

“Social Conflict and the Evolution of Unequal Conventions” (with Samuel Bowles and Sung-Ha Hwang)

“Social Origins of Dictatorships: Theory and an Application in Haiti” (with James Robinson and Lauren Young)

“Political Language in Economics” (with Bruce Kogut and Zubin Jelveh)

“Suffrage, Schooling, and Sorting in the Post-Bellum U.S. South”

“Contested Property: Fugitive Slaves in the Antebellum South” (with Jeremiah Dittmar)

“Do Americans Want to Tax Capital? Evidence from Online Surveys” (with Ray Fisman, Ilyana Kuziemko, and Keith Gladstone).

“Monopsony, Misoptimization, and Round Number Bunching in the Wage Distribution” (with Alan Manning and Arindrajit Dube)

SELECTED WORKS IN PROGRESS:

Unions and U.S. Inequality in Historical Perspective (with Henry Farber, Dan Herbst, and Ilyana Kuziemko)

U.S. Intergenerational Mobility During the Early 20th Century (with Ilyana Kuziemko and Elisa Jacome)

Double Marginalization in Migrant Recruitment Markets: Experimental Evidence from the India-UAE Migration Corridor (with Yaw Nyarko and Shing-Yi Wang).

The Price of Rights: Evidence from Indian Indentures to Natal (with Ritam Chaurey and Ashish Agarwal).

Legal Thought and Economic Outcomes: Evidence from Conservative Jurisprudence (with Daniel Chen and Elliott Ash).

The Language of Authority and Obligation in 20th Century Union Labor Contracts (with Elliott Ash and Bentley Macleod).

Slavery, Race, and 19th Century American Economic Geography (with Treb Allen)

Panel Estimates of Slave Plantation Productivity (with Jeremiah Dittmar)

OTHER ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS:

“The Evolution of Egalitarian Sociolinguistic Conventions” with Sung-Ha Hwang and Samuel Bowles
-Forthcoming in *American Economic Review: Papers and Proceedings*.

Book review of "Unequal Gains" by Peter Lindert and Jeffery Williamson
- Forthcoming in *Economic History Review*.

"Seeing Like a Moneylender: Book review of "Debt: The First 5000 Years" by David Graeber."
- *Journal of Global History* Vol.7. No. 2 (July 2012), pp 331-332.

"Book review of "The Thousand-Year Flood: The Ohio-Mississippi Disaster of 1937" by David Welky."
- *Journal of Economic History* Vol.73. No. 3 (September 2013), pp 890-892.

“Capital Eats the World: Book review of “Capital in the 21st Century” by Thomas Piketty”
- *Jacobin* magazine, extended versions forthcoming in *Journal of Labor History* as well as Harvard University Press edited volume “After Piketty”.

CORE “The Economy” E-textbook. Units on political economy (with Tim Besley) and inequality (with Samuel Bowles).

GRANTS:

REALM Project Grant on India-UAE Migration (with Shing-Yi Wang and Yaw Nyarko).
NSF #1459932 “Laws, Language, and Labor Contracts”. (with Bentley Macleod).
INET Grant "Peculiar Institutions: Slavery in the United States" (with Jeremiah Dittmar)
PEDL Grant "Haitian Elites and Economic Development" (with James Robinson)
Columbia University Faculty grants, 2010-2011,2011-2012, 2013-2014
Columbia Population Research Centre Grant

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS:

Columbia Association of Graduate Economics Students Best Ph.D. Advisor Award 2015-2016
Alfred P. Sloan Research Fellow 2015-2017
AER Excellence in Refereeing Award 2014, 2015
CIFAR Junior Fellow 2011-2013
Harvard Academy Scholar Post-Doctoral Fellowship 2008-2010
Journal of Development Economics Award
UC Berkeley Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship
Labor and Employment Research Fund Award
MacArthur Network on the Costs of Inequality Fellowship
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship
Santa Fe Institute Graduate Fellow
University of Massachusetts-Amherst Graduate Fellowship

REFeree FOR:

Quarterly Journal of Economics, Economic Journal, Econometrica, Journal of Political Economy, American Political Science Review, American Economic Review, Journal of the European Economic Association, Games and Economic Behavior, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organizations, Journal of Public Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Comparative Economics, Proceedings of the Royal Society (Biological Sciences)

DISSERTATIONS SUPERVISED:

Primary advisor for: David Blakeslee (NYU Abu Dhabi), Laurence Wilse-Samson (Cornerstone Research), Raul Sanchez de la Sierra (Harvard Academy Postdoc and UC Berkeley-Haas), Chris Boone (Cornell Hotel Administration School), Belinda Archibong (Barnard), Soule Sow (Bilikent), Elliott Ash (Princeton Postdoc and Warwick), Kunjal Desai (current), Ashna Arora (current), Goran Lazarevski (current).

Reader for: Walker Hanlon (UCLA), Marcos Nakaguma (EUI and USP-Brazil), Ama Baafra Abeberese (Wellesley), Ritam Chaurey (SUNY-Binghamton), Anna Thompsett (Stockholm School of Economics), Miguel Morin (Cambridge INET-Postdoc), Lauren Young (Political Science-Stanford Postdoc) Meiping Lee (current), Nicolas de Roux (current), Felipe Gonzalez (current).