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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Memphis	2017 –
Faculty Affiliate, PSI Center for Workplace Diversity and Inclusion, University of Memphis	2019 –
Faculty Affiliate, Data Science Cluster, University of Memphis	2019 –
Research Affiliate, Center for Studies in Demography and Ecology, University of Washington – Seattle	2016 –2019
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Portland State University	2014 – 2017

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Michigan	2014
M.S. in Economics, University of North Texas	2008
B.A. in Economics, Michigan State University	2006

FIELDS

Economics of Crime, Urban Economics, Labor Economics, Applied Microeconometrics,
Demography

PUBLICATIONS

- “Financing the War on Drugs: The Impact of Law Enforcement Grants on Racial Disparities in Drug Arrests” w/ Robynn Cox. Forthcoming. *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*.
- “Don’t Shoot! The Impact of Historical African American Protest on Police Killings of Civilians” w/ Rob Gillezeau. 2019. *Journal of Quantitative Criminology*.
- “A Ferguson Effect, the Drug Epidemic, Both, or Neither? Explaining the 2015 and 2016 U.S. Homicide Rises by Race and Ethnicity” w/ S. Gaston & R. Gillezeau. 2019. *Homicide Studies*.
- “The Effects of the Neighborhood Legal Services Program on Riots and Wealth of African Americans” w/ Rob Gillezeau. 2018. *RSF: Journal of Social Sciences*. 4(6), 144-157.
- “Racial Differences in Police Use of Force: Evidence from 1960s Civil Disturbances.” w/ Rob Gillezeau. 2018. *American Economic Association Paper and Proceedings*. 108: 217-21.

“An Evaluation of the Federal Legal Services Program: Evidence from Crime Rates and Property Values.” 2016. *Journal of Urban Economics* 92: 76-90.

WORKING PAPERS

“The Language of the Unheard: Legal Services and the 1960s Race Riots” (*Revisions Requested*)

“Family Structure and Welfare Participation in the 1960s: the Role of Legal Services” w/ Andrew Goodman-Bacon (*Under Review*)

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

“Un-Explaining the 40 Year Old Wage Differential: Race and Gender in the USA” w/ Karl Boulware

“An Event History Analysis of the Local Conditions Behind Black Lives Matter” w/ Rob Gillezeau & Douglas Williams

“Reexamination of Mayoral Elections Influence on Law Enforcement and Crime: Estimating the Elasticity of Police on Crime”

“Does Race Matter? Implications from Court-ordered Police Hiring Quotas and Police Killings of Civilians” w/ Robynn Cox & Alberto Ortega

“The Evolution of Civil Rights Enforcement and Economic Prosperity of Minorities” w/ Jose Joaquin Lopez

“The Effect of Proposition 47 on Minority Labor Market Outcomes” w/ Robynn Cox

“The Impact of Access to Collective Bargaining Rights on Policing and Civilian Deaths” w/ Donna Feir & Rob Gillezeau

TEACHING

Interests: Applied Econometrics, Labor Economics, Law and Economics, Urban Economics, Economics of Discrimination, Economic History

Courses: Race & Ethnicity in the Economy, Labor Economics, Advanced Applied Econometrics, Introduction to Macroeconomics, Introduction to Econometrics, Introduction to Microeconomics, Urban Economics

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

University of Alabama (*upcoming*), Michigan State University (AEASP) 2020

University of Mississippi, University of Memphis 2019

The War on Poverty Project (University of Michigan), Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Missouri Valley Economic Association Annual Meeting, Midwest Law and Economics Annual Meeting, RSF 50th Anniversary of the Kerner Commission Report, Allied Social Science Association Annual

Meeting, University of Texas Law School	
University of Memphis, Portland State University, Population Association of America Annual Meeting, American Law and Economic Association Annual Meeting, RSF 50 th Anniversary of the Kerner Commission Report, American Society of Criminology Annual Meeting	2017
University of Memphis, University of Victoria, Institute for Research on Poverty – University of Wisconsin, Pacific Northwest Labor Workshop – UW-Seattle, Racial Democracy Crime and Justice Network Annual Workshop, American Law and Economic Association Annual Meeting, University of Oregon, Population Association of America Annual Meeting, Portland State University, Allied Social Science Association Annual Meeting	2016
University of Southern California – Gould School of Law, Portland State University, National Economic Association and American Society of Hispanic Economist Annual Meeting, American Law and Economic Association Annual Meeting, Western Economic Association International Annual Meeting, Western Social Science Association Annual Meeting, Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting	2015
Portland State University, CNA	2014
AEA Summer Pipeline Conference - University of New Mexico	2013
AEA Summer Pipeline Conference - Florida State University	2011

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, & AWARDS

Data Science Research Cluster Grant, University of Memphis	2019
Tiger Spotlight Award, University of Memphis	
Washington Center For Equitable Growth Grant	2018
Visiting Scholar, Institute of Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin	2016
Crime and Justice Summer Research Institute Fellow - Racial Democracy, Crime, and Justice Network	
AEA Mentoring Program / National Science Foundation Small Research Grant	2015
Professional Travel Grant: Portland State University	
Diversity Initiative for Tenure in Economics Fellowship (DITE)	
Michigan Institute for Research and Teaching in Economics Graduate Research Award	2012
Population Studies Center Graduate Trainee: University of Michigan	2009
Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute in Child Health and Development Fellowship	
Summer Research Fellowship: University of Michigan	
Rackham Merit Fellowship: University of Michigan	2008

American Economic Association Summer Fellow	2007
Ronald E McNair Graduate Fellow: University of North Texas	2006

REFEREE EXPERIENCE

Exploration in Economic History, American Economic Journal: Policy, Journal of Economic History; American Law and Economic Review; Law & Society; Eastern Economic Journal, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Review of Political Black Economy, Economics Bulletin, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Economic Association; National Economic Association; American Law and Economics Association; Southern Economic Association; Racial Democracy, Crime, and Justice Network