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RESEARCH FIELDS	Political economy, development and growth, economic history, urban economics, public economics, economic theory	
EMPLOYMENT	Tulane University , New Orleans, LA Assistant Professor of Economics, Department of Economics Faculty Affiliate, Murphy Institute	2019 – Present 2019 – Present
EDUCATION	University of California, Irvine , Irvine, CA Ph.D., Economics Dissertation: <i>Essays in the Political Economy of Development</i> Committee: Stergios Skaperdas, Daniel Bogart, and Jean-Paul Carvalho M.A., Economics	2019 2015
	Loyola University , New Orleans, LA B.B.A., Economics Minor in Mathematics	2014
PUBLICATIONS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Education and propaganda: Tradeoffs to public education provision in nondemocracies,” <i>Journal of Public Economics</i>, 2018, 160: 66-81. 	
WORKING PAPERS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “The economic legacy of expulsion: Lessons from postwar Czechoslovakia,” <i>Minor Revisions Requested at The Economic Journal</i>. • “Shocks and the spatial distribution of economic activity: The role of institutions,” <i>Revised and Resubmitted at Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization</i>. 	
WORKS IN PROGRESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “National identity, public goods, and economic growth” (with Stergios Skaperdas). • “Resource blessing? Oil, risk, and religious communities as social insurance in the U.S. South” (with Andreas Ferrara). 	
AWARDS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Romney Award for Outstanding Research Paper, <i>UCI School of Social Sciences</i> • Kassouf Fellowship for Excellence in Research, <i>UCI Department of Economics</i> • Christian Werner Fellowship, <i>UCI School of Social Sciences</i> • Art DeVany Best Poster Award, <i>UCI Department of Economics</i> • Economics Merit Fellowship, <i>UCI Department of Economics</i> • Summer Research Fellowship, <i>UCI Department of Economics</i> • Distinction in Microeconomics, <i>UCI Department of Economics</i> • Humane Studies Fellowship, <i>Institute for Humane Studies</i> • Merit Fellowship in Economics, <i>UCI Department of Economics</i> 	2019 2018 2018 2016 2016, 2018 2016 – 2018 2015 2014 – 2018 2014 – 2019
PRESENTATIONS	<p>2021: ASSA Meeting (Chicago, upcoming).</p> <p>2020: 19th ASREC Meeting* (Chapman), 95th WEAI Meeting* (Denver), LSU-Tulane Mini-Conference (Tulane, upcoming), 90th SEA Meeting (New Orleans, upcoming), Economic Growth Conference at SEA (New Orleans, upcoming).</p> <p>*cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>	

2019: Tulane University (**New Orleans**), Louisiana State University (**Baton Rouge**), University of Utah (**Salt Lake City**), George Mason University (**Fairfax, VA**), University of Alberta (**Edmonton**).

2018: EHA Annual Meeting (**Montréal**), CAGE Workshop (**Warwick**), 17th ASREC Meeting (**Chapman**), 11th Conference on Migration and Development (**Stanford**), 13th UEA Meeting (**Colombia**), CGPACS Seminar (**UC Irvine**), Economic History Workshop (**UC Irvine**), All-UC Workshop (**UC Berkeley**), Graduate Poster Session (**UC Irvine**), Urban and Transport Seminar (**UC Irvine**), IRES Workshop (**Chapman**).

2017: Graduate Poster Session (**UC Irvine**), 54th Public Choice Society Meeting (**New Orleans**), 16th ASREC Meeting (**Boston**), THPE Workshop (**UC Irvine**), Economic History Workshop (**UC Irvine**), Economics Computing Lunch Workshop (**UC Irvine**).

2016: Graduate Poster Session (**UC Irvine**), 11th Economics Graduate Students Conference (**Washington University in St. Louis**), 13th IMBS Graduate Student Conference (**UC Irvine**), THPE Workshop (**UC Irvine**).

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Discussant

2019: Economic History Association Meeting (**Atlanta**)

2018: Urban Economics Association Meeting (**Colombia**)

2018: Institute for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Society Workshop (**Chapman**)

2018: Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture Meeting (**Chapman**)

2017: Public Choice Society Meeting (**New Orleans**)

2017: Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture Meeting (**Boston**)

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Tulane University

Faculty Board Member, Tulane Journal of Policy and Political Economy (2020 – Present)

Interviewer, Director Search, Murphy Institute (2020)

Exam Coordinator, Ph.D. Qualifying Exams, Department of Economics (2020)

Mock Interviewer, Academic Job Market, Department of Economics (2019)

University of California, Irvine

Lead Organizer, Theory, History, & Political Economy Workshop (2017 – 2018)

Graduate Student Tutor, Economics Learning Center (2015 – 2019)

REFEREEING

Economics of Governance, Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization, Journal of Economic History (2), Journal of Population Economics.

TEACHING

Instructor

Tulane: Graduate Microeconomics I, Game Theory, Positive Political Economy, Political Economy of Nondemocracy.

Teaching Assistant

UC Irvine: Graduate Microeconomics I-III, Intermediate Microeconomics II (head TA), Basic Microeconomics, Basic Macroeconomics, Global Economy, Game Theory & Politics.