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Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Xavier University, August 2015 – Present

Other Appointments

Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics, University of California, Riverside, February 2019 – March 2019

Education

Ph.D., Economics, University of Colorado Boulder, 2015
M.A., Economics, University of Colorado Boulder, 2011
M.A., Applied Economics, Johns Hopkins University, 2009
B.B.A., *summa cum laude*, Business Economics, Loyola College in Maryland, 2005

Research Interests

Migration; Human Capital; Latin America; Historical Development.

Publications

“Guest Worker Programs and Human Capital Investment: The Bracero Program in Mexico, 1942-1964,” forthcoming in *Journal of Human Resources*.

“Bankruptcy Discharge and the Emergence of Debtor Rights in Eighteenth Century England,” (with Ann Carlos and Luis Castro Penarrieta). *Enterprise & Society* 20(2), pp. 475-506, June 2019.

“Who Crossed the Border? Self-Selection of Mexican Migrants in the Early Twentieth Century,” (with Zachary Ward). *The Journal of Economic History* 74(4), pp. 1015-1044, December 2014.

Working Papers

“El sueño americano? The generational progress of Mexican Americans prior to World War II,” (formerly, “The Uneven Economic Advance of Mexican Americans before World War II,” with Zachary Ward), revisions resubmitted.

“The Impact of Immediate Feedback Assessment Technique (IF-AT) Quizzes on Student Performance in Microeconomic Principles Courses,” (with Lauren Calimeris), revisions requested.

“Criminal Deportation Policy and Immigration back to the United States: Evidence from Central America,” (with Priti Kalsi), under review.

“The Bracero Program and Entrepreneurial Investment in Mexico.

“The Long Run Development Impacts of a Guest Worker Program: Evidence from the Bracero Program.”

Work in Progress

“Impacts of the Indonesian Transmigration Program,” (with Shatanjaya Dasgupta).

Conference Presentations and Invited Seminars

“The Uneven Economic Advance of Mexican Americans before World War II.”

ASSA/AEA annual meetings (January 2018); Xavier University History Department research colloquium (November 2017); NBER Summer Institute DAE (July 2017, presented by co-author).

“The Long Run Development Impacts of a Guest Worker Program: Evidence from the Bracero Program.”

ASSA/AEA annual meetings (January 2019); New York State Economic Association meetings (October 2018); Midwestern Economic Association meetings (March 2017); Southern Economic Association meetings (November 2016); Economic History Association meetings (September 2016); Western Economic Association International meetings (July 2016).

“The Bracero Program and Entrepreneurial Investment in Mexico.”

University of California, Riverside (March 2019); Society of Labor Economists meetings (poster, May 2016); Miami University (April 2016); Southern Economic Association (November 2015); California State University Chico (October 2015); Xavier University (October 2015); Australian National University (June 2015); CU Boulder Economic History Brown Bag (March 2015); Cliometric sessions at the Western Economic Association International meetings (July 2014); All-UC Group in Economic History, One Hundred Flowers Conference (May 2014).

“The Bracero Program and Effects on Human Capital Investments in Mexico, 1942-1964.”

Lafayette College (January 2015); Xavier University (January 2015); Washington and Lee University (January 2015); All UC Group in Economic History, Graduate Student Workshop (October 2014); University of Colorado Colorado Springs (October 2014); Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (poster, November 2013); CU Boulder Economic History Brown Bag (November 2013); Economic History Association

meetings (September 2013); 7th World Congress of Cliometrics (June 2013); Economic and Business Historical Society meetings (May 2013).

“The Bracero Program: National Agreements and Individual Incentives.”

Economic and Business Historical Society meetings (April 2012).

“Who Crossed the Border? Self-Selection of Mexican Migrants in the Early Twentieth Century.”

Canadian Network for Economic History meetings (October 2012); Economic and Business Historical Society meetings (April 2011).

Teaching Experience

Xavier University

Instructor

Historical Development of American Economy (Spring 2017, Spring 2020); Microeconomic Principles (Fall 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016, Fall 2018, Fall 2019; Spring 2020); Labor Economics (Spring 2016, Fall 2017, Fall 2019); Capstone Experience in Economics (Spring 2016, Fall 2017, Spring 2018, Fall 2019); Sports Economics (Fall 2018); Microeconomic Analysis (Fall 2016, Spring 2017, Fall 2017, Spring 2018); Applied Research Methods in Economics (Spring 2018)

University of Colorado Boulder

Instructor

Economic History of Europe (Spring 2015); Intermediate Microeconomics (Summer 2014, Fall 2013, Summer 2013, Spring 2013, Summer 2011).

Teaching Assistant

Principles of Macroeconomics (Spring 2010); Principles of Microeconomics (Fall 2009).

Other Teaching Duties

Graduate Instructor Mentor for Department of Economics (Spring 2014); Lead Graduate Instructor for Department of Economics (Fall 2012, Spring 2013); Undergraduate Tutor for Department of Economics (Fall 2010, Spring 2011).

Teaching Workshops and Other Presentations

“Mexican Migration to the United States and the Bracero Program,” *California State University Chico Econ Club Talk* in Chico, California, October 2015.

“Developing Assessments,” *University of Colorado Boulder Department of Economics Teaching Workshop* in Boulder, Colorado, March 2014.

“Teaching a Course as Instructor of Record,” *University of Colorado Boulder’s Graduate Teacher Program Fall Intensive Workshop* in Boulder, Colorado, August 2013.

“Thinking Outside the Lecture: Tips for Keeping Students Interested and Engaged,” *University of Colorado Boulder Department of Economics Teaching Workshop* in Boulder, Colorado, May 2013.

Research Experience

Research Assistant Fall 2011 - Fall 2012

Evaluation of COWorks Program, State of Colorado Department of Human Services (PIs – Professors Brian Cadena and Jeffrey Zax), \$125,000.

Previous Work Experience

Financial Analyst, DoD, Fort Meade, Maryland May, 2006 – July, 2009

Held TOP SECRET (TS)/SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE (SI)/TALENT-KEYHOLE (TK) clearance.

Professional Service

Referee for *Journal of Development Economics*, *Essays in Economic and Business History* (x2), *The Journal of Economic History* (x4), *European Review of Economic History* (x2), *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, *IZA Journal of Migration*, and *Southern Economic Journal*.

Departmental/University Service

Xavier University

Academic Advising, Fall 2015 – Present

Organizer of Economics Department research seminar, Fall 2015 – Present

Economics Department Capstone Task Force, Spring 2015 – Fall 2016

Faculty Advisor to Xavier University Child’s Play, Summer 2016 – Present

Economics Department Course Rotation Task Force, Spring 2017 – Present

Faculty Library Liaison for Economics Department, March 2017—Present

Microeconomic Analysis Course Topics Task Force, May 2017—Present

Mentor to new faculty members, September 2017 – Present

Organize monthly Senior/Faculty Happy Hour, September 2017 – Present

Economics assessment data compiler, September 2017 – Present

WCB Assessment Committee member, March 2018 – Present

X-Day Economics Department representative, September 2017

Manresa Orientation Discussion Leader, August 2017

Manresa Move Crew Volunteer, August 2017

Economics Department Visiting Faculty Search Committee, Summer 2017

Directed advisory board research fellowship recipient, Spring 2016 & 2017

X-Day Economics Department representative, September 2016 & April 2017

Volunteered to assist capstone students and provide feedback, April 2017

Represented Xavier on BYU Radio to discuss Bracero Program, April 2017
Organized the search and selection of advisory board fellowship, January 2017
Manresa Orientation Discussion Leader, August 2016
St. Francis Xavier Scholar Competition Evaluator, March 2016
Represented Xavier on public radio show to discuss minimum wage, April 2016
Late Night Breakfast faculty volunteer, December 2015 & May 2017
X-Day Economics Department representative, September 2015

University of Colorado Boulder

Graduate Student Representative on the Department's Program Review
Committee, Fall 2012

Honors, Fellowships, and Awards

Faculty Development Leave, Xavier University, (awarded 2018, to be taken 2019)
WCB Summer Research Grant, Xavier University, 2018
2016 Summer Fellowship for Faculty Development, Xavier University, 2015
Dissertation Completion Fellowship, University of Colorado Graduate School, 2014
Invitee, First Winter School on the Analytics and Policy Design of Migration, 2014
First Place Winner, Poster Session, 2013 APPAM Fall Research Conference
Reuben A. Zubrow Fellowship in Economics, University of Colorado, 2013
United Government of Graduate Students Travel Grant, University of Colorado, 2012
Graduate Award for Public Policy Research, University of Colorado, 2012
Academic Fellowship, University of Colorado, 2009
Dean's List every semester and Honors Program Graduate, Loyola College
Beta Gamma Sigma (National Business Honor Society)
Omicron Delta Epsilon (National Economics Honor Society)
Sigma Delta Pi (National Spanish Honor Society)

Affiliations

American Economic Association; Economic History Association; Cliometric Society;
Southern Economic Association.

Computer Programs

STATA

Languages

English (native); Spanish (fluent).

Citizenship

United States