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Current Position

2013 – Assistant Professor of Economics, University of California, Berkeley

Affiliations

2012 – Research Associate, MIT School Effectiveness and Inequality Initiative (SEII)

Education

2008 – 2013 Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Ph.D. in Economics
2004 – 2008 University of Virginia, B.A. with Highest Distinction, Economics and Philosophy

Research Interests

Labor Economics, Applied Econometrics, Economics of Education

Fellowships, Honors and Awards

2012 – 2013 National Academy of Education/Spencer Dissertation Fellowship
2008 – 2012 National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
2008 Sheri Gayle Richman Memorial Scholarship
2008 Edgar F. Shannon Award for Best UVA Arts and Sciences Student
2008 Outstanding Major Award, UVA Economics Department
2008 Outstanding Major Award, UVA Philosophy Department
2008 Best Thesis Award, UVA Economics Department
2007 Phi Beta Kappa (junior year)

Publications

“Explaining Charter School Effectiveness” (with Joshua Angrist and Parag Pathak), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, forthcoming.

“Who Benefits from KIPP?” (with Joshua Angrist, Susan Dynarski, Thomas Kane, and Parag Pathak), *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management* 31(4), 2012.

“Inputs and Impacts in Charter Schools: KIPP Lynn” (with Joshua Angrist, Susan Dynarski, Thomas Kane, and Parag Pathak), *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings* 100(2), 2010.

“Do Subsidized Housing Units Depreciate Faster than Unsubsidized Ones?” *Journal of Housing Economics* 18(1), 2009.

Working Papers

“A Structural Model of Charter School Choice and Academic Achievement.”

“Inputs in Early Childhood Human Capital Production: Evidence from Head Start.”

“Stand and Deliver: Post-Secondary Outcomes at Boston’s Charter High Schools” (with Joshua Angrist, Sarah Cohodes, Susan Dynarski, and Parag Pathak).

Research in Progress

“Dynamics of Family Structure and Educational Attainment: Evidence from the NLSY.”

“Fundamental Welfare Reform” (with Edgar Olsen).

Other Articles

“Charter Schools and the Road to College Readiness: The Effects on College Preparation, Attendance and Choice” (with Joshua Angrist, Sarah Cohodes, Susan Dynarski, and Parag Pathak). Boston, MA: The Boston Foundation.

“Student Achievement in Massachusetts Charter Schools” (with Joshua Angrist, Sarah Cohodes, Susan Dynarski, Jon Fullerton, Thomas Kane, and Parag Pathak). Cambridge, MA: Center for Education Policy Research at Harvard University.

Presentations

- 2013: Society of Labor Economists, Association for Education Finance and Policy, Duke University, University of California – Los Angeles, Northeastern University, University of Michigan, Cornell University, University of Chicago Harris School, University of California – Berkeley, Mathematica Policy Research
- 2012: Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness
- 2011: Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management
- 2010: Econometric Society
- 2008: American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association

Referee Service

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, National Science Foundation, Quarterly Journal of Economics

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