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## Fields

Macroeconomics, Urban, Spatial, and Environmental

## Employment

### [University of Washington](#)

Assistant Professor 2020-

### [Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis](#)

Research Assistant 2012-2014

## Education

### [Yale University](#)

Doctor of Philosophy, Economics 2020

Master of Philosophy, Economics (with distinction) 2017

Master of Arts, Economics 2016

### [University of Notre Dame](#)

Bachelor of Arts, Economics and Math (*magna cum laude*) 2012

## Publications

### [Deleveraging, Demand, and Growth](#)

Joint with Conor Walsh 2023

### *Review of Economic Dynamics*

### [Can Self-Help Groups Really be “Self-Help?”](#)

Joint with Joseph Kaboski and Eva van Leemput 2016

### *Review of Economic Studies*

## Working Papers

### [Homeownership and the Distributional Effects of Uneven Regional Growth](#) 2025

Job Market Paper

Revise and Resubmit, *Review of Economic Studies* (Resubmitted)

May 2025

**Dynamic Urban Economics**

2025

Joint with Andrii Parkhomenko and Stijn Van Nieuwerburgh

Revise and Resubmit, *American Economic Review*

**The Geography of Wealth: Shocks, Mobility, and Precautionary Savings**

2024

Joint with Maximiliano Dvorkin

## Comments

**Comment on Hsieh and Moretti (2019)**

2025

Conditionally Accepted, *American Economic Journal: Macro*

## Work in Progress

**Does Globalization Undermine Sustainability?**

Joint with Joseph Shapiro and Katherine Wagner

**Natural Disaster Policy in a Warming World**

Joint with Katherine Wagner

**Portfolio Choices, Asset Prices, and Wealth Inequality**

Joint with Yu-chin Chen and Rajarshi Datta

## Awards and Fellowships

Yale University Dissertation Fellowship

2019

Cowles Foundation Carl Arvid Anderson Prize Fellowship

2018

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship

2014-2019

Yale University Doctoral Fellowship

2014-2019

University of Notre Dame Bernoulli Award for Undergraduate Research

2012

## Professional Activities

**Referee Service**

*Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Economic Dynamics, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Journal of Urban Economics, Economics Letters, Economic Theory, American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*

**Committees**

Program committee, 2025 and 2026 European Meeting of the Urban Economic Association

**Seminar Organization**

Macroeconomic and International Seminar, University of Washington

2020-

## Seminars and Conferences

### 2025

Allied Social Science Associations, Chicago Fed Conference on Barriers to Homeownership, Land Use, and Urban Dynamics, University of Oregon\*, Society of Economic Dynamics\*, Washington State University\*

### 2024

University of Southern California, Barcelona Institute of Economics Workshop in Urban Economics, Society of Economic Dynamics, NBER Summer Institute Urban Economics, University of British Columbia, Urban Economics Association, Centre de Recerca en Economia Internacional, San Francisco Fed Micro Macro Labor Conference

### 2023

University of Notre Dame, West Coast Spatial Workshop, West Coast Trade Workshop, Western Economic Association, St. Louis Federal Reserve, Philadelphia Federal Reserve

### 2022

Urban Economics Association, New York Federal Reserve, University of California Riverside, University of British Columbia

### 2020

Florida State University

\* scheduled

## Teaching

### University of Washington

ECON 527: Empirics and Theory in Macroeconomics 2021-

ECON 509: Macroeconomic Analysis III 2021-

ECON 412: Macroeconomics and Inequality 2021-

### Yale University

Intermediate Macroeconomics: T.A. for Giuseppe Moscarini 2017