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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Associate Professor, Department of Economics
Faculty Fellow, Institute for Policy Research
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

2016-present

2009-2016

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, BERKELEY

Robert Wood Johnson Scholar in Health Policy Research

Aug 2007-Dec 2008

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, Yale University, 2007
M.Phil., Economics, Yale University, 2005
M.A., Economics, Yale University, 2004
B.A, Economics, Northwestern University, 1995-1999

AFFILIATIONS

Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER)
Fellow, Bureau for Research in Economic Analysis and Development (BREAD)
Research Affiliate, Innovations for Poverty Action (IPA)
Research Affiliate, Center for Economic Policy Research (CEPR)
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PUBLICATIONS

“Can Network Theory-based Targeting Increase Technology Adoption?” with Ariel BenYishay, Jeremy Magruder and Mushfiq Mobarak. *American Economic Review*, 111(6), 1918-43, June 2021.

“Stay in the Game: A Randomized Controlled Trial of a Sports and Life-skills Program for Vulnerable Youth in Liberia,” with Sylvan Herskowitz, Niall Keleher, and Jeremy Magruder. *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 70(1). October 2021.

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“Do Job Networks Disadvantage Women? Evidence from a recruitment experiment in Malawi,” with Niall Keleher, Jeremy Magruder. *Journal of Labor Economics*, vol 36 (1), pp. 121-157, January 2018.

"Social networks and the Labor Market," *Oxford Handbook on the Economics of Networks*, eds. Yann Bramoullé, Andrea Galeotti and Brian Rogers, 2016.

"Minding Small Change among Small Firms in Kenya," with Jeremy Magruder and Jonathan Robinson. *Journal of Development Economics*, vol 108, pp. 69-86, May 2014.

"Profitability of Fertilizer: Experimental Evidence from Female Rice Farmers in Mali," with Dean Karlan, Bram Thuysbaert and Chris Udry. *American Economic Review Papers & Proceedings*, vol 103 (3), pp. 381-386, May 2013.

"Who gets the job referral? Evidence from a social networks experiment," with Jeremy Magruder. *American Economic Review*, vol 102 (7) pp. 3574-3593, 2012.

"Female Leadership Raises Aspirations and Educational Attainment for Girls: A Policy Experiment in India," with Esther Duflo, Rohini Pande and Petia Topalova. *Science*, January 2012.

"Do household definitions matter in survey design? Results from a randomized survey experiment in Mali," with Andrew Dillon. *Journal of Development Economics*, vol 98 (1): pp: 124-135, 2012.

"Politics as a Male Domain and Empowerment in India," with Rohini Pande and Alexandra Cirone. Chapter in *The Impact of Gender Quotas: Women's Descriptive, Substantive, and Symbolic Representation*, edited by Susan Franceschet, Mona Lena Krook, and Jennifer M. Piscopo, Oxford University Press, 2012.

"Social Networks and the Dynamics of Labor Market Outcomes: Evidence from Refugees Resettled in the U.S." *Review of Economic Studies*, vol 79 (1): pp. 128-161, 2012.

"Political Reservation and Substantive Representation: Evidence from Indian Village Councils", with Esther Duflo, Rohini Pande and Petia Topalova, *India Policy Forum, 2010*, Ed. Suman Bery, Barry Bosworth and Arvind Panagariya, Brookings Institution Press and The National Council of Applied Economic Research: Washington, DC and New Delhi, Vol. 7.

"Powerful Women: Does Exposure Reduce Bias?" with Raghab Chattopadhyay, Esther Duflo, Rohini Pande and Petia Topalova. *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, vol 124 (4), 2009.

WORKING PAPERS

"Selection into Credit Markets: Evidence from Agriculture in Mali," with Dean Karlan, Bram Thuysbaert, and Christopher Udry. Mimeo, October 2021. Revised and resubmitted, *Econometrica*.

"When Do Refugees Return Home? Evidence from Syrian Displacement in Mashreq," with Harun Onder and Stefanie Onder. Revise and resubmit, *Journal of Development Economics*, 2021.

"Saving for a (not so) Rainy Day: A Randomized Evaluation of Savings Groups in Mali," with Dean Karlan and Bram Thuysbaert. Mimeo, October 2014.

AWARDS

- Yale University Dissertation Fellowship, Fall 2006
- John F. Enders Fund, Graduate School of Arts and Sciences, Yale University, Summer 2006
- Economic Growth Center, Yale University, Graduate Student Research Support, 2005
- Ryoichi Sasakawa Fellowship, Yale University, 2003-2004
- Economic Growth Center Prize, Yale University, 2002-2006
- Yale University Doctoral Fellowship, 2002-2006

TEACHING

- Instructor, Northwestern, Economics of Developing Countries (undergraduate)
- Instructor, Northwestern, Undergraduate thesis program
- Instructor, Northwestern, Development (grad)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Associate Editor, *Journal of Development Economics*

Associate Editor, *Journal of the European Economics Association*

Member Editorial Board, *World Bank Economic Review*

Associate Editor, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*

October 2010 - present

January 2016 - present

September 2016 - present

January 2016 - July 2019