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Employment

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Texas A&M University, 2019 – present

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, Stanford University, 2019 (Committee: Liran Einav (primary), Tim Bresnahan, Matt Gentzkow, Rebecca Diamond)

B.A. with High Honors in Economics, University of California, Berkeley, 2010

Published and Accepted Papers

Assessing the Gains from E-Commerce (with Paul Dolfen, Liran Einav, Pete Klenow, Jon Levin, Larry Levin, Wayne Best) (*American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, 15(1), January 2023, 342-370)

One Size Fits All? The Value of Standardized Retail Chains (*RAND Journal of Economics*, 55(1), Spring 2024, 55-86)

Selling Subscriptions (with Liran Einav and Neale Mahoney) (Accepted at *American Economic Review*)

Working Papers

Rebuilding After the Storm: Firm Turnover and Consumer Welfare After Hurricane Harvey (with Eric Lewis and Fernando Luco)

Fueling Expectations: The Causal Impact of Gas Prices on Inflation Expectations and Consumption (with Yoon Jo) (Revised and Resubmitted at *Journal of Monetary Economics*)

Broad and Narrow Price Parity Agreements: Evidence from European Hotels (with Nicola Pierri) (Revise and Resubmit at *International Journal of Industrial Organization*)

Measuring Local Consumption with Payment Cards and Cell Phone Pings (with Fernando Luco) (Revise and Resubmit at *Journal of Urban Economics*)

Strategic Default, Loan Modification, and Foreclosure (with Nicola Pierri)

Work in Progress

The Effects of Hospital Closures on Patients and Hospitals (with Ben Ukert and Paula Zamora-Riaño)

Teaching

Instructor for Undergraduate Industrial Organization, Texas A&M University, 2020-2025

Instructor for Graduate Industrial Organization, Texas A&M University, 2019-2025

Teaching Assistant to Prof. Jay Bhattacharya, Undergraduate Health Economics, Stanford University, Spring 2019

Fellowships and Grants

National Science Foundation SES-2242349: "The Impact of Natural Disasters on Businesses and Consumers," 2023-2025 (with Fernando Luco and Eric Lewis), \$414,033

X3 Grant, 2021-2023 (with Benjamin Ukert, Korok Ray, and Xinyue Ye), \$350,000

Energy Institute, 2020-2021 (with Eric Lewis and Fernando Luco), \$40,000

Texas A&M T3 Triad Grant, 2020-2021 (with Eric Lewis and Fernando Luco), \$30,000

Patricia Liu McKenna and Kenneth McKenna Graduate Fellowship, 2018-2019

Conference and Seminar Presentations

2019: Cornell School of Hotel Administration, George Washington University, ITAM Business, LSE Marketing, Stata Applied Microeconomics Conference, Texas A&M

2020: IO^2 (virtual), Southern Economic Association

2021: Disaster PRIMR Conference, QME Conference, Southern Economic Association

2023: TxIO Conference, Econometric Society Australia Meeting, Rice, Urban Economics Association, FTC Microeconomics Conference

2024: NBER Digital Economics, Utah Winter Business Economics Conference, Wisconsin, University of Pennsylvania, Columbia, Northwestern, NBER Monetary Economics (coauthor)

2025: NBER Industrial Organization, UC Berkeley Haas Marketing, Online Spatial and Urban Seminar (discussant)

Other

Languages: English (native), Spanish (fluent), Portuguese (basic)