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Fields

International Trade, Macroeconomics, Spatial Economics, and Urban Economics

Employment

University of California, San Diego
Assistant Professor 2020-

Other Appointments

Journal of International Economics
Associate Editor 2023-

Prosperity and Globalization Lab, University of California, San Diego
Partner 2023-

Center for Commerce and Diplomacy, University of California, San Diego
Faculty Affiliate 2020-

Past Positions

Princeton University
IES Postdoctoral Associate 2019-2020

Visits

Kiel Institute for the World Economy
Visiting Scholar Summer 2024

Becker Friedman Institute, University of Chicago
Visiting Scholar December 2022

NYU Economics Department
Visiting Scholar Fall 2022

Opportunity and Inclusive Growth Institute, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis
Visiting Scholar July, August 2019

Education

Yale University

Doctor of Philosophy, Department of Economics (with Distinction) 2019

Master of Philosophy, Department of Economics (with Distinction) 2016

Master of Arts, Department of Economics 2015

Advisors: Costas Arkolakis, Giuseppe Moscarini, Samuel Kortum, Michael Peters

University College London

Bachelor of Science in Economics (with First Class Honours and Dean's List) 2013

Publications

Sprouting Cities: How Rural America Industrialized 2023
Joint with John Juneau and Michael Peters

AEA Papers and Proceedings, Volume 113, May 2023, pp.87-92

The Return to Big City Experience: Evidence from Refugees in Denmark 2022
Joint with Mads Hejlesen and Conor Walsh
Journal of Urban Economics, Volume 130, July 2022, 103454

The Geography of Remote Work 2022
Joint with Lukas Althoff, Sharat Ganapati and Conor Walsh
Regional Science and Urban Economics, Volume 93, March 2022, 103770

Under Revision

The Geography of Opportunity 2024
Joint with Tatjana Kleineberg
Journal of Political Economy

Combinatorial Discrete Choice 2024
Joint with Costas Arkolakis and Rowan Shi
American Economic Review

Working Papers

Urban-Biased Growth: A Macroeconomic Analysis (*submitted*) 2024
Joint with Sharat Ganapati and Conor Walsh
NBER Working Paper #30515

More Roads or Public Transit? Insights from Measuring City-Center Accessibility (*submitted*) 2023
Joint with Lucas Conwell and Mushfiq Ahmed Mobarak
NBER Working Paper #30877

Spatial Structural Change (*submitted*) 2023
Joint with Michael Peters
NBER Working Paper #30489

Growing Apart: Tradable Services and the Fragmentation of the U.S. Economy 2019

Work in Progress

Superstar ZIP Codes
Joint with Camilo Acosta and Jack Liang

The Land Share in Economic Growth
Joint with Conor Walsh

Shorter Papers

The Early County Business Pattern Files: 1946-1974 2022
Joint with Ka-leung Lam, Atif Mian, Karsten Muller, Rafael Schwalb, and Amir Sufi
NBER Working Paper #30578

Imputing Missing Values in the US Census Bureau's County Business Patterns 2021
Joint with Teresa C. Fort, Peter K. Schott, and Natalie J. Yang
NBER Working Paper #26632

A Method to Construct Geographical Crosswalks with an Application to US Counties 2020
 Joint with Andrés Gvartz, Jack Liang, and Michael Peters
 NBER Working Paper #26770

Awards, Fellowships

The Society of Hellman Fellows	2024
Yale University George Trimis Dissertation Prize	2019
UAE Student Best Paper Runner Up (“Return to Big City Experience”)	2018
University Dissertation Fellowship, Yale University	2018
Raymond Powell Prize for Outstanding Graduate Teaching	2017
Samuel K. Bushnell Fellow, Yale University	2017
Cowles Foundation Carl Arvid Anderson Prize Fellowship	2015-2016
Yale University, 2015 John Y. Campbell Fellowship	2014-2016
Yale University Doctoral Fellowship	2013-2018
University College London, Dean’s List Award	2013
German National Scholarship Foundation	2011-2016
Bavarian Government Max Weber Scholarship (declined)	2010
German Physical Society (Outstanding Baccalaureate in Physics)	2010

Teaching Experience

Instructor, Cities, Innovation, and Inequality (Undergrad), UCSD	Spring 2021-2024
Instructor, Spatial Economics (PhD), UCSD	Spring 2021-2024
Teaching Assistant, Introductory Macroeconomics, Prof. Aleh Tsyvinski, Yale University	2019
Teaching Assistant, Graduate Macroeconomics, Prof. Giuseppe Moscarini, Yale University	2017
Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Prof. Tony Smith, Yale University	2016
Herbert Scarf Undergraduate Research Program Instructor, Yale University	2016
Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Prof. Michael Peters, Yale University	2015
Economics PhD Math Camp, Prof. Truman Bewley, Yale University	2014

Professional Activities:

Seminars/Presentations: *upcoming

2025: Singapore NUS*

2024: Princeton-Chicago Spatial Conference*, Philadelphia FED*, Atlanta FED*, SED Barcelona*, BSE Summer Forum Barcelona*, NBER SI EFG*, EEA Rotterdam*, NYU Trade Day, AEA Annual Meeting, University of Warwick, Rotman School of Management, UBC, UEA Copenhagen

2023: AEA Annual Meeting New Orleans, HKU Business School, The University of Hong Kong, Princeton Spatial Workshop, NBER SI Urban, Census Bureau, UC Davis, NBER ITI Fall Meeting

2022: AEA Annual Meeting, SED 2022, West Coast Spatial Workshop; Stanford Cities, Housing, and Society Student Research Group, NY FED, UC Irvine, UCLA Trade Day, University of Washington, Hitotsubashi University, Notre Dame

2021:

AEA, Berkeley, Warwick, UEA Europe 2021, BU Trade Day, SAET Korea 2021, SED 2021, CREI, Virtual ITM

2020:

CEPR Swiss Macro Workshop (Sils Maria), NYU Abu Dhabi, Berkeley O-Lab Urban Workshop, UCSD, University of Virginia, UEA 2020 Virtual, INSPER Brazil, USC Macro Days

2019:

IZA/CREA Workshop: Exploring the Future of Work, Fudan University, HIT Shenzhen, Peking University,

Tsinghua University, Princeton, NBER Cities, Labor Markets, and the Global Economy 2019, UEA Philadelphia, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, SED (St. Louis), Penn State New Faces in Trade Conference, Zoom Online Urban Seminar by Don Davis, University of Chicago, Chicago Booth, Tuck School of Business at Dartmouth, University of Pennsylvania, University of California San Diego, University of Notre Dame, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, IIES Stockholm, CREI Barcelona, Penn State

2018:

Yale Macro Lunch, Yale International Trade Prospectus Workshop

2013-2017:

SED (Edinburgh), SAET (Faro), Yale Macro Lunch, Yale International Trade Prospectus Workshop

Discussions:

"Is ZIP Code Destiny?" by Eshaghnia Urban Economics Association Conference Copenhagen	2024
"The Life and Death of Great British Cities" by Heblich, Nagy, Trew, Zylberberg FREIT North America Meeting at UCSD, San Diego	2022
"Global Warming and Labor Market Reallocation" by Cruz Penn State New Faces 2022	2022
"Spatial Implications of Telecommuting" by Delventhal, Parkhomenko Urban Economics Association Conference 2021, Zoom-based	2021
"Cities, Productivity, and Trade" by Garcia-Marin, Potlogea, Voigtlaender, Yang AEA Meetings, Zoom-based	2021
"The Geography of Unemployment" by Bilal Urban Economics Association Annual Conference 2019, Philadelphia	2019
"Global Sourcing and Assembly with Scale Economies" by Antràs, Fadeev, Fort, Tintelnot Queen's Organizational Economics (QOE) Conference, Kingston, Ontario	2019

Organizer:

West Coast Spatial Workshop at UC San Diego (w/ G. Schubert, M. Reher)	Spring 2024
West Coast Spatial Workshop at UC Berkeley (w/ Cecile Gaubert, T. McQuade, N. Tsivanidis)	Spring 2023
West Coast Spatial Workshop at UCLA (w/ G. Schubert, C. Tricaud, A. Parkhomenko)	Spring 2022
PhD Student Workshop of the Urban Economics Association 2020 (w/ C.Balboni, D.Davis, K.Schmidheiny, D.Sturm, M.Turner)	Summer 2020
Urban Economics Association Lectures in Urban Economics 2020 (w/ C.Balboni, D.Davis, K.Schmidheiny, D.Sturm, M.Turner)	Summer 2020
Online Spatial and Urban Seminar (w/ C.Balboni, C.Gorback, C.Severen)	Summer 2020
Quantitative Spatial Economics Junior Workshop (w/ C.Balboni)	May, 2020
Yale Macroeconomics Breakfast (Initiator)	Weekly, 2015-2017

Advising: (placement in parentheses)

Undergraduates at UCSD:

Gregory Boscaiu (UCSD Rady Business School), Evan Moore (Kyoto University), Jake DiCicco (Georgia Tech), Sehong Park (UCLA School of Law)

Phd Students at UCSD:

Carlos Goes (ongoing), Sabareesh Ramachandran (ongoing), Ishani Chatterjee (ongoing), Steven Brown-

stone (ongoing), Jordan Mosqueda (ongoing), Aakash Bhalothia (ongoing), Ida Grigoryeva (ongoing), John Juneau (ongoing)

Referee for:

American Economic Review
AEJ: Economic Policy
AEJ: Macroeconomics
Canadian Journal of Economics
Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft
Econometrica
Economic Theory
Economic Journal
Economica
International Economic Review
Journal of Economic Geography
Journal of Political Economy
Journal of Political Economy: Macroeconomics
Journal of the European Economic Association
Journal of Urban Economics
Journal of International Economics
Labor Economics
Quarterly Journal of Economics
Regional Science and Urban Economics
Review of Economics and Statistics
Review of Economic Dynamics
Review of Economic Studies
Scandinavian Journal of Economics

Committees:

Program Committee for the 2024 Annual Congress of the European Economic Association
Program Committee Member for the 2023 Meetings of the Urban Economics Association
Program Committee Member for the 2022 FREIT Meetings North America
Program Committee Member for the 2021 Meetings of the Urban Economics Association
Scientific Committee Member for the 2020 PhD Student Workshop of the Urban Economics Association
Program Committee Member for the 2020 Meetings of the Urban Economics Association
Program Committee Member for the 2019 Meetings of the Urban Economics Association

Clearances and Grants:

Data Clearances:

Danish Matched Employer-Employee Data (IDA)
US Census Bureau Special Sworn Status
French CASD Access

Other:

Languages:

German (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Spanish (Basic)

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