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RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS:

Political Economy Applied Microeconomics Labor Economics

A	CAD	EMIC	CAND) PROI	FESSION	NAL EX	PERIENCE
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University of Maryland at College Park
University of Maryland at College Park
Kyiv School of Economics
University of Maryland at College Park
IIES, Stockholm University
Columbia University

UC Berkeley, Department of Economics

POSITION	DATE
Professor	2025 -
Associate Professor	2015-2025
Visiting Professor	Winter, 2024
Assistant Professor	2011-2015
Assistant Professor	2005 2011

Assistant Professor 2011-2015 Assistant Professor 2005-2011 Visiting Researcher 2009-2011 Visiting Assistant Professor 2007-2008

EDUCATION: UNIVERSITIES

UC Berkeley Stanford University UC Berkeley

DEGREE	DATE	FIELD
Ph. D.	2005	Economics

M.A. 1999 Development Economics

B.A. (High Honors) 1992 History

EDITORIAL ACTIVITIES

Associate Editor, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, 2025-present Program Committee Member, European Economic Association 2024 Meetings Program Committee Member, European Economic Association 2023 Meetings Program Committee Member, European Economics Association 2012 Meetings Program Committee Member, European Economics Association 2011 Meetings Program Committee Member, European Economics Association 2010 Meetings Associate Editor, Journal of the European Economic Association, 2009 –2016

MEMBERSHIPS

NBER, 2025 – present

American Economic Association, 2005 – present European Economic Association, 2005 – present

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate: Econometrics I, Intermediate Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Political Economy of Economic Inequality **Masters:** Time Series Econometrics

Ph.D.: Empirical Political Economy, Econometrics (Political Science at Columbia University), Intermediate Macroeconomics (IIES, Stockholm University)

PUBLICATIONS:

- 1. "Between Market and Government: The Political Economy of Labor Unions" (2025) with Suresh Naidu, *Annual Review of Economics*
- 2. "Pandering in the Shadows: How Natural Disasters Affect Special Interest Politics" (2025) with Jorg Spenkuch and Haishan Yuan", *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, 17(3): pp. 441–470
- 3. "Voting for Democracy: Chile's Plebiscito and the Electoral Participation of a Generation" (2023) with Fernando Saltiel and Sergio Urzua, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*
- 4. "Partisan Spatial Sorting in the United States: A Theoretical and Empirical Overview" (2022) with Jorg Spenkuch and Rebecca Sullivan, *Journal of Public Economics* 211, 104668.

- 5. "Unemployment Insurance Generosity and Aggregate Employment" (2021) with Christopher Boone, Arindrajit Dube and Lucas Goodman, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy* 13(2), pp. 58-99.
- 6. "Early Voting Laws, Voter Turnout, and Partisan Vote Composition: Evidence from Ohio" (2021), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics* 12(1), pp. 32-60.
- 7. "Nurse Unions and Patient Outcomes" with Arindrajit Dube and Owen Thompson (2016), *Industrial and Labor Relations Review* Vol. 69: 4, pp. 803 833 [lead article].
- 8. "The Political Economy of Discretionary Spending: Evidence from the ARRA Stimulus Bill", *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity* (Spring, 2014) with Christopher Boone and Arindrajit Dube.
- 9. "The Iceberg Theory of Campaign Contributions: Political Threats and Interest Group Behavior" (2013) *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy* Vol. 5:1, pp. 1-31, with Marcos Chamon [lead article].
- 10. "Political Polarization and the Dynamics of Political Language: Evidence from 130 Years of Political Speech", *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity* (Fall, 2012) with Jacob Jensen, Suresh Naidu and Laurence Wilse-Samson, pp. 1-60 [lead article]
- 11. "Coups, Corporations and Classified Information", (2011) *Quarterly Journal of Economics* Vol. 126: 3, p. 1375-1409, with Arindrajit Dube and Suresh Naidu.
- 12. "Outsourcing: Wages, and Benefits", Industrial and Labor Relations Review Vol. 63, No. 2 (2010), with Arindrajit Dube.
- 13. "The Political Impact of Media Bias" in *Fact Finder, Fact Filter: How Media Reporting Affects Public Policy*, Roumeen Islam, Ed. (World Bank Publications, 2008), with Stefano DellaVigna.
- 14. "The Fox News Effect: Media Bias and Voting", *Quarterly Journal of Economics* Vol. 122: 3 (2007), with Stefano Della Vigna.
- 15. "Did the Malaysian Capital Controls Work?" in Edwards, Sebastian and Jeffrey Frankel ed., *Managing Currency Crises in Emerging Markets*, (NBER Conference Volume, University of Chicago Press, 2003), with Dani Rodrik.
- 16. "Aggregate Demand Externalities and Labor Supply Decisions: Worker Discouragement and Market Inefficiency" with Arindrajit Dube, *Economics Letters* 56 (1997)

WORKING PAPERS:

- "Political Control Over Redistricting and the Partisan Balance in Congress" (December, 2023) with Kenneth Coriale and Daniel Kolliner
- "Have Corporations Polarized Politically Too? Evidence from U.S. Campaign Contributions Over Time" (November, 2023) with Jorge Perilla, Andrew Sweeting, and Yidan Xu
- "Peer Effects on Partisanship, Registration, and Voter Turnout: Evidence from Roommate Assignments" (October, 2023) with Kenneth Coriale and Rachel Nesbit
- "School Deseggregation and Political Preferences: Long-Run Evidence from Kentucky" (February, 2021) with Jorg Spenkuch and Cody Tuttle
- "Excess Capacity and Heterogeneity in the Fiscal Multiplier: Evidence from the Obama Stimulus Package" (December, 2018) with Arindrajit Dube, Thomas Hegland, and Ben Zipperer
- "The Persistence of Politics: Evidence from 9/11" with Sharun Mukand (February, 2017)

REQUESTED ARTICLE

"The Political Economy of Labor Unions" with Suresh Naidu (for the Annual Review of Economics, 2024)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Education, Voter Turnout, and Political Partisanship" with Jorg Spenkuch and Cody Tuttle

American Economic Association

- "The Not-So Simple Politics of the Minimum Wage: Voter Response to Economic Policy" with Nicolas Marx, Suresh Naidu, and Aaron Schein
- "The Economic and Social Determinants of Democracy and Dictatorship: Evidence from Germany and Hungary" with Kartikeya Batra, Arseniy Braslavskiy, and Weizheng Lai
- "Political Gender Quotas and Economic Gender Equity: Evidence from Mexico" with Susan Parker

MEMBERSHIPS

2007-Present

2023-Present	Economic Policy Institute, Member of Academic Advisory Board	
2021-Present	-Present Tax and Transfer Policy Institute at Australian National University, Research Affiliate	
2018-Present	Economists of Inclusive Prosperity, co-founding member	
2017-Present	American Political Science Association	
2012-Present	University of Maryland Population Research Center	
2010-Present	Center for Competitive Advantage in the Global Economy (CAGE) at the University of Warwick	

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS:

- 2023 Grant, Jobs with Justice, \$25,000.
- Faculty-Student Research Award, \$10,000.
- Winner of MinE Best Paper Award for the best paper presented in the annual European Economic Association Congresses whose focus is the study of of LGBTQ+, Race-Ethnicity, Religion and/or Disabilies (€5000)
- 2023 American Economic Review Excellence in Refereeing Award
- 2022 Co-Principal Investigator (with Susan Parker) on Dean's Research Initiative Grant
- 2021 Co-Principal Investigator (with Jorg Spenkuch and Cody Tuttle) on grant from Russell Sage Foundation: \$50,000
- 2021 American Economic Journal: Economic Policy Excellence in Refereeing
- 2020 Co-Principal Investigator (with Jorg Spenkuch) on grant from National Science Foundation: \$357,617
- 2020 American Economic Review Excellence in Refereeing Award
- 2017 Excellence in Refereeing Award, American Economic Review
- 2014 Principal Investigator, Washington Center for Equitable Growth: \$60K.
- 2014 Departmental Teaching Award, Department of Economics, University of Maryland for Ph.D. Teaching
- 2014 Review of Economic Studies Excellence in Refereeing Award
- 2013 Excellence in Refereeing Award: *American Economic Review* (for 2012)
- 2012 Research and Scholarship Award, University of Maryland \$9K
- 2012 Excellence in Refereeing Award: Quarterly Journal of Economics (for 2010-2011)
- 2010 Co-Principal Investigator (with Arindrajit Dube) on Grant from Institute for New Economic Thinking: \$225K
- 2007 Best PhD Course Lecturer Award, Stockholm University
- 2004 Dean's Normative Time Fellowship, University of California, Berkeley
- 2004 Federal Reserve Bank Dissertation Internship
- 2002 Macarthur Network on Social Inequality Fellowship
- 2002 Social Science Research Council Fellowship
- 2001 Best Teaching Assistant Award, Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University
- 1998 Summer Research Fellowship, John M. Ohlin Program in Law and Economics, Stanford University
- 1987 Recipient of Regents/Chancellors Scholarship, University of California, Berkeley

REFEREE FOR:

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review, American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Business and Economics, Econometrica, Economic Journal, Empirical Economics, European Economic Review, European Journal of Political Economy, Industrial Relations, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economics, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Economics Behavior and Organization, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of International Economics, Journal of International Money and Finance, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Law, Economics and Organization, Journal of Media Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Legislative Studies Quarterly, National Science Foundation (Israel), National Science Foundation (Switzerland), National Science Foundation (US), Political Analysis, Political Behavior, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, Political Analysis, Political Behavior, Political Research Quarterly, Political Studies, Quantitative Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Studies, Review of Industrial Organization, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Southern Economic Journal, Washington Center for Equitable Growth

PRESENTATIONS MADE AT:

AEA Meetings 2002, AEA Meetings 2004, Beijing University, Cambridge University, CEMFI, Columbia University, Cornell University, CREI, Dartmouth College, EEA Meetings 2004, EEA Meetings 2006, Federal Reserve Bank (International Finance Division), Gerzensee Study Center, Gothenburg University, Harvard University, Hunter College, Institute for Graduate Studies at Geneva, Jonkoping International Business School, LSE Economics, LSE (CEP), LSE (STICERD), Monash University, NBER Summer Institute, New York Federal Reserve Bank, London School of Economics, Oxford University, Northwestern University Kellogg School of Management, New York University, Paris School of Economics, Simon Fraser University, Stockholm School of Economics, Stockholm University Department of Economics, Stockholm University (IIES), Stockholm University SOFI, Tel Aviv University, Toulouse, Universita Bocconi, Universitat Pompeu Fabra (CREI), University of California at Berkeley Economics Department, University of California at Berkeley Haas School of Business, University of California at Davis, University of California at Irvine, University of Copenhagen, University of Houston, University of New South Wales, University of Oslo, University of Queensland, University of Tokyo, University College London, University of Maryland at College Park, University of Massachussetts at Amherst, University of Toronto, University of Warwick, University of Zurich, Uppsala University Department of Economics, Uppsala University IFAU, Wharton School of Business (UPenn), World Econometric Society Meetings, Yale University

ADVISING

University of Maryland at College Park: Graduate Students

Shuqing Chen (Main Advisor), 2026 expected Florian Gawehns (Committee Member), 2025 expected

William Leroy (Main Advisor), 2025

Lea Rendell (Committee Member), 2024

Weizheng Lai (Main Advisor), 2025

Zhen Ye (Committee Member), 2024

Michael Navarette (Committee Member), 2024

Kartikeya Batra (Committee Member), 2024

Michael Navarette (Committee Member), 2024

Jacqueline The Linh Bao Nguyen (Committee Member), 2024

Rachel Nesbit (Committee Member), 2024

Michael Cowan (Committee Member), 2024 Department of Political Science

Juan Carlos Santacruz (Committee Member), 2024, Department of Agricultural Economics

Youngjoon Lee (Committee Member), 2024, Department of Government and Politics

Saleha Waqar (Committee Member), 2024, School of Public Policy

Juan Santacruz (Committee Member), 2024, Agriculture and Resource Economics

Aichiro Prabowo (Committee Member), 2023, School of Public Policy

Anusuya Sivaram (Committee Member), 2023

Mrinmoyee Chatterjee (Committee Member), 2023

Jorge Enrique Perilla Garcia (Main Advisor), 2023

John Joseph Sanchez Soriano (Committee Member), 2023

Ming Fang (Committee Member), 2023

Kenneth Coriale (Main Advisor), 2023

Hyunki Kim (Committee Member), 2022, Department of Government and Politics

Xiaonan Wang (Committee Member), 2022, Department of Government and Politics

Victoria Perez-Zetune (Committee Member), 2022

Daniel Kolliner (Main Advisor), 2022

Tomohiro Hara (Committee Member), 2022

Robert Campana (Committee Member), 2022

Nicholas Miras (Committee Member), 2021, Department of Government and Politics

Cody Tuttle (Committee Member), 2020

Mateo Uribe-Castro (Committee Member), 2020

Joey Brown (Committee Member), 2019, Department of Sociology

Sebastian Vallejo (Committee Member), 2019, Department of Government and Politics

Charles Hunt (Committee Member), 2019, Department of Government and Politics

Thomas Hegland (Committee Member), 2019

Candace Turitto (Committee Member, 2018, Department of Government and Politics

Lucas Goodman (Committee Member), 2018

Bryan Hardy (Committee Member), 2018

Nona Karalashvilli (Committee Member), 2017

Ernest Koh (Main Advisor), 2017

Robert Kulick (Committee Member), 2017

Wei (Tony) Li (Committee Member), 2017 expected

Konrad Mugglestone (Committee Member), 2017, Department of Government and Politics

Emekcan Yucel (Committee Member), 2017 expected

Anne Duquerroy (Committee Member), 2016, UMD Business School Ph.D. Program

Ho Youn Koh (Committee Member), 2016, Department of Government and Politics

Moreno, David (Committee Member), 2016

Carlos Van Hombeeck (Committee Member), 2016

Ken Ueda (Committee Member), 2016

Filippos Petroulakis (Committee Member), 2015

Ben Zou (Committee Member), 2015

Matija Jancec (Committee Member), 2014

Qian Lu (Committee Member), 2014

Haishan Yuan (Main Advisor), 2014

Alvaro La Para Perez (Committee Member), 2014

Orhan Torul (Committee Member), 2013

University of Maryland at College Park: Undergraduate Students

Logan Ritchie, 2024

Jonathan Gong, 2023

Spencer Bowdle, 2022, Winner of Best Thesis Award, Winner of Undergraduate Research of the Year Award

Ilya Schneider, 2020

Christina Hnatov, 2019

Leanne Klock, 2018

Spaur Sarasvati, 2017, Winner of Award for Excellent Thesis Amber Qureshi, 2013, Winner of Award for Best Performance and Thesis in Economics