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Professional Experience

Brown University Associate Professor of Economics (with tenure)	2015-Present
University of Chicago Booth School of Business Associate Professor of Economics	2011-2014
Assistant Professor of Economics	2009-2011
National Bureau of Economic Research Faculty Research Fellow	2006-Present
University of Chicago Department of Economics Assistant Professor of Economics	2007-2009
Becker Center on Chicago Price Theory Becker Fellow	2006-2007

Education

Ph.D., Economics, Harvard University, 2006
B.A., Economics, Harvard College, *magna cum laude*, 2002

Professional Service:

Associate Editor, *Quarterly Journal of Economics* 2014-Present

Working Papers:

“Unobservable Selection and Coefficient Stability: Theory and Evidence.” Draft, December 2014.

“Estimating Health Behavior Treatment Effects in the Presence of Unobserved Confounding.” Draft, April 2014

“Why is Infant Mortality Higher in the US than in Europe” (with Heidi Williams and Alice Chen). Draft, December 2013.

Publications:

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“HIV and Sexual Behavior Change: Why Not Africa?” *Journal of Health Economics*, 31(1): p.35-49 (January 2012).

“Menstruation, Sanitary Products and School Attendance: Evidence from a Randomized Evaluation” (with Rebecca Thornton). *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 3(1): 91-100 (January 2011).

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“The Power of TV: Cable Television and Women’s Status in India” (with Robert Jensen). *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 124 (3): p. 1057-1094 (August 2009).

“Does Increased Access Increase Equality? Health Investments and Gender Inequality in India.” *Journal of Development Economics*, 89 (1): p. 62-76 (May, 2009).

“Proximate Sources of Population Sex Imbalance in India.” *Demography*, 46(2): 325-340 (May, 2009).

“Fear of health insurance loss among individuals at risk for Huntington Disease” (with E. Ray Dorsey et al). *American Journal of Medical Genetics, Part A*, 146A: p.2070-2077 (August, 2008).

“Explaining Asia’s ‘Missing Women’: A New Look at the Data – Comment,” *Population and Development Review*, 32(2): p. 323-327 (June 2006).

“Hepatitis B and the Case of the Missing Women.” *Journal of Political Economy*, 113 (6): p. 1163-1216 (December 2005).

“Sexually Transmitted Infections, Sexual Behavior and the HIV/AIDS Epidemic.” *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 120 (2): p. 467-515 (May 2005).

“Witchcraft, Weather and Economic Growth in Renaissance Europe.” *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 18(1): 215-228 (Winter 2004).

“Are All Lotteries Regressive? Evidence from the Powerball.” *National Tax Journal*, 57(2): p.179-187 (June 2004)