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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, University of California, Berkeley, 2011

B.A. Economics, B.A. Mathematics, (with Honors) New York University, 2005

## CURRENT POSITIONS

### University of Toronto

Associate Professor (with tenure),  
Department of Economics & Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy, 2022-  
Director of The People's History Lab  
Director of Public Policy Undergraduate Program

### *Courtesy Appointments*

Department of History, 2021-  
Dalla Lana School of Public Health (at iHPME), 2014-

## PAST POSITIONS

### University of Toronto

Associate Professor (with tenure), Department of Economics, 2020-2022  
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, 2011-2020

### Yale University

Visiting Fellow, Department of Economics, Yale University, August 2021 - December 2021  
Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, July 2020 - June 2021

### University of Chicago

Researcher, Center for Population Economics, 2011-2013

## PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

### *National Bureau of Economics Research*

Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research, 2021-  
Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research, 2015-2021

### *University of Toronto*

Faculty Affiliate, Centre for Global Social Policy, University of Toronto, 2020-  
Member, University College Senior Common Room, University of Toronto, 2017-  
Faculty Affiliate, Centre for the Study of the United States, University of Toronto, 2012-

***Policy Centers***

Advisory Board Member, Forward Society Lab, 2023-

Scholar, Scholars Strategy Network, 2017-

Centre Associate, Canadian Centre for Health Economics, 2013-

**EDITORIAL RESPONSIBILITIES**

Editorial Board, *Journal of Economic History*, 2023-2026

Editorial Board, *Explorations in Economic History*, 2023-2026

Editorial Board, *Journal of Historical Political Economy*, 2024-2026

**I. RESEARCH*****ARTICLES***

“The Model T” with Joshua Hausman and Paul Rhode - resubmitted to *The Journal of Economic History*

“Measurement of Socioeconomic Status in the Canadian Census, 1871-1901” with Nicholas Li and Janki Shah - requested at *Historical Methods*

“Do Youth Employment Programs Work? Evidence from the New Deal” with Anna Aizer, Nancy Early, Guido Imbens, Keyoung Lee, Adriana Lleras-Muney and Alexander Strand (2020, NBER Working Paper #27103) - accepted at *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*

Featured on *Vox* Podcast, “The Weeds” (July 22, 2020); NBER Digest (October 1, 2020)

“The Impact of Cash Transfers to Poor Mothers on Family Structure and Maternal Well-Being” with Anna Aizer, Sungwoo Cho, and Adriana Lleras-Muney (2020, NBER Working Paper #27523) - *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, April 2024.

Featured on *Cato Institute - Research Briefs in Economic Policy No. 238*, October 28, 2020

“The Enduring Effects of Racial Discrimination on Income and Health: Evidence from American Civil War Veterans” with Trevon Logan and Boriana Miloucheva (2019, NBER Working Paper #25846) - *The Journal of Economic Literature*, September 2023.

Featured on *Vox* Podcast, “The Weeds” (July 29, 2019)

“The Transportation Revolution: The Car in the 1920s” with Joshua Hausman and Paul Rhode - *American Economics Review: Papers and Proceedings*, May 2022.

“Caloric Intake and Energy Expenditures in India” with Nicholas Li (2017, NBER Working Paper #21697) - *The World Bank Economic Review*, July 2020.

“Ideology and Migration After the American Civil War” with Laura Salisbury and Allison Shertzer (2016, NBER Working Paper #22591) - *The Journal of Economic History*, September 2018.

“Patronage Politics and the Development of the Welfare State: Evidence from Confederate Pensions in the U.S. South” with Laura Salisbury (2014, NBER Working Paper #20829) - *The Journal of Economic History*, December 2016.

“The Long Run Impact of Cash Transfers to Poor Families” with Anna Aizer, Joseph Ferrie and Adriana Lleras-Muney (2014, NBER Working Paper #20103) - *American Economic Review*, April 2016.

Featured on slate.com (January 13, 2014); National Public Radio (NPR) (November 11, 2014); *The New York Times* (October 20, 2015 & April 15, 2017); U.S. Economic Report of the President (February 2016); *Vox* (May 23, 2017 & April 27, 2017 & October 26, 2017 & September 10, 2018 & December 10, 2018 & March 6, 2019 & April 10, 2019; December 19, 2019)

“Income Effects on Health: Evidence from Union Army Pensions.” *The Journal of Economic History*, June 2015.

Review of *Unprotected Labor: Household Workers, Politics, and Middle-Class Reform in New York 1870-1940* by Vanessa May, *The Journal of Economic History*. September 2013: 888-890.

“Income Effects on Late-Life Health: Evidence from Union Army Pensions.” *The Journal of Economic History*, June 2010. (Article Summary)

### **WORK IN PROGRESS**

“The Multigenerational Persistence of Welfare Receipt” with Laura Salisbury

“The Emergence of the Modern Welfare System: Evidence from the Mothers’ Pension Program” with Price Fishback, Niketana Kannan, Adriana Lleras-Muney and James Uguccioni

“The Long Run Impact of Cash Transfers to Poor Families: New Estimates using Larger Samples and New Methods” with Anna Aizer, Sungwoo Cho, Joseph Ferrie and Adriana Lleras-Muney

“Ontario’s Housing Crisis in Medium-Run Perspective” with Laura Salisbury

### **RESEARCH FUNDING**

*Seed Funding* for the People’s History Lab, Munk School, University of Toronto, Principal Investigator \$35,000, 2023

*Faculty Research Funding*, Munk School of Global Affairs and Public Policy - University of Toronto, \$35,000, 2022-2025

*Care Economies in Context: Towards Sustainable Social and Economic Development*, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), Partnership Grant, Co-Applicant, \$2,500,000, 2021-2028

*The Intergenerational Persistence of Welfare Receipt*, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), Insight Grant, Principal Investigator, \$294,369, 2019-2024

*The Canadian Peoples: 1861-1921*, Canadian Foundation for Innovation, Project #36143, Co-PI, \$7,525,300, 2017-2023

*Economic History Group Research Grant*, Yale University, \$20,000, 2020-2021

*Do Youth Employment Programs Work? Evidence from the New Deal*, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC), Insight Development Grant, Principal Investigator, \$48,676, 2017-2020

*The Long Term Impact of Income Transfers During Childhood*, NIH R01HD077227, Co-PI, \$970,498, 2014 - 2019

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council SIG grant, Principal Investigator, \$21,868.82, 2013 - 2020

*Do Youth Employment Programs Work: Evidence from the Civilian Conservation Corps*, NBER Retirement Research Center - Social Security Administration Grant (Project NB17-16), Co-PI, undisclosed amount, 2016-2019

Faculty of Arts and Science Bridge Fund, U Toronto, Principal Investigator, \$10,000, 2014-2015

Connaught New Researcher Award, University of Toronto, \$10,000, 2012-2014

All-UC Group in Economic History Dissertation Grant, \$10,250, 2010

IBER mini-grant, UC Berkeley, \$2,000, Spring & Fall 2008

Graduate Division Summer Grant, UC Berkeley, \$3,500, 2007

#### ***INVITED SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES***

**2024-2025:** Seminars: (scheduled) Munk School at University of Toronto

**2023-2024:** Seminars: University of Colorado Denver, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia (Visiting Scholar), Ohio State University, Toronto Metropolitan University Conferences: Economic History Association (discussant), Social Science History Association Meeting, Canadian Network of Economic Historians

**2022-2023:** Seminars: Dartmouth College, University of Pittsburgh, University of Toronto - Munk School Conferences: Bissell-Heyd Symposium on Race, Equity and Public Policy at the University of Toronto

**2021-2022:** Seminars: Harvard University, Vanderbilt University, University of Southern Denmark, Warwick University, Bocconi University, Yale University Conferences: Race, Ethnicity, Gender, and Economic Justice Symposium at Yale University; Facing Inequality Event Series at Institute for International Economic Policy at George Washington University (discussant)

**2020-2021:** Seminars New York University, University of Michigan, UC Davis, Stanford University, University of Toulouse, Yale University (x2) Conferences: Canadian Economics Association

**2019-2020:** Seminars University of Buffalo Conferences: NBER Summer Institute (Development of the American Economy), Economic History Association (Discussant), Social Science History Association

**2018-2019:** Seminars: University of British Columbia, University of Ottawa, University of Toronto Conferences: World Economic History Congress, Economic History Association (Discussant)

*Note:* On maternity leave from January 2019 to September 2019

**2017-2018:** Seminars: Yale University, UCLA Conferences: Social Science History Association; Canadian Network of Economic Historians; Economic History Association (discussant)

**2016-2017:** Seminars: University of Toronto; Queen's University Conferences: University of Guelph Workshop on Historical Record Linking

*Note:* On maternity leave from April 2016 to November 2016

**2015-2016:** Seminars: University of Waterloo, University of California - Merced

**2014-2015:** Seminars: Harvard University, University of Michigan, University of Pittsburgh, University of Calgary, Dalla Lana School of Public Health (U Toronto), University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, University of Montreal Conferences: Economic History Association Meeting, Population Association of America, CIREQ Montreal Applied Economics Conference (Discussant)

**2013-2014:** Seminars: University of British Columbia; Simon Fraser University; Wilfrid Laurier University; University of Michigan (Visiting Scholar - Economics, May 4-9, 2014) Conferences: American Economic Association Meeting; Economic History Association (Discussant)

**2012-2013:** Conferences: North East Universities Development Consortium (Dartmouth); Population Association of America

**2011-2012:** Seminars: Queen's University (Economics), University of Chicago - Booth School of Business Conferences: Historical Inequality and Mobility Workshop, University of Guelph

**2010-2011:** Seminars: U.C. Berkeley (Demography), U.C. Berkeley (Economic History), University of Chicago - Booth School of Business, Washington and Lee, University of Toronto, University of Notre Dame, Cal State - Fullerton, University of Sydney, University of New South Wales, London School of Economics Conferences: All-UC Economic History Conference, Population Association of America, Canadian Economics Association (Discussant)

**2009-2010:** Seminars: U.C. Berkeley (Economic History) Conferences: Economic History Association (poster session), NBER Summer Institute - Development of the American Economy (poster session)

**2008-2009:** Seminars: University of Chicago - Booth School of Business

#### ***HONORS, AWARDS, FELLOWSHIPS***

Bissell-Heyd Fellowship, Centre for the Study of the US, U Toronto, 2022-2023

Dean's Excellence Award, U Toronto, 2015 & 2018

Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching Award, Economics, U Toronto, 2013

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley, 2011

Dean's Normative Time Fellowship, UC Berkeley, 2009-2010

NIA Training Grant in Demography #T32-AG000246, 2008-2009

All-UC Graduate Student Fellowship, 2008

NICHHD Training Grant in Demography #T32-HD007275-24, 2007-2008

Departmental Fellowship, Economics Department UC Berkeley, 2005-2006

National Science Foundation, VIGRE Grant, New York University, 2004

Trustee Scholarship, New York University, 2001-2005

#### ***MEDIA CONTRIBUTIONS & POLICY BRIEFS & PANEL DISCUSSIONS***

"Historians and Economic Historians In Conversation" Panelist, *Economics for Inclusive Prosperity*, February 26, 2021

"Do Government Handouts Really Help?" ("The Best Way to get People the Help they Need in a Pandemic") *Financial Post*, December 2, 2020

"The Incentive Effects of Cash Transfers to the Poor" with Anna Aizer and Adriana Lleras-Muney, *Research Briefs in Economic Policy*, *Cato Institute*, October 28, 2020

"De la panique au calme: que consomment les Canadiens durant la pandémie?" *Radio-Canada*, May 14, 2020

“How consumer behaviour is changing because of the pandemic,” *CBC Toronto*, May 10, 2020

“Physician Bias and Racial Disparities in Veteran Health,” *VoxEU*, August 20, 2019

“Putting the Family in Economics,” *University Affairs*, October 5, 2018

Faculty Feature on The Canadian Peoples (TCP) at School of Public Policy, U Toronto, December 2017

“Do Cash-Based Welfare Programs Make a Difference for Poor Children?” *Scholars Strategy Network*, April 2017

“Economic historian brings enthusiasm and energy to research, teaching,” *Arts and Science News*, University of Toronto, April 15, 2016

## II. SERVICE

**Referee for** *Agricultural Economics*, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, *American Economic Review*, *Canadian Journal of Economics*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Economic Journal*, *European Review of Economic History*, *Explorations in Economic History*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Economic History*, *Journal of Economic Literature*, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, *Journal of Health Economics*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *National Science Foundation*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Social Science History*, *Social Science & Medicine*

### Conference Organization:

Co-organizer of *Symposium on Trade and Indigenous Nations*, Munk School, Fall 2024

Co-organizer of *States, Banks and the People: Origins and Impacts of Banking Crises*, Munk School, May 2024

Co-organizer of Canadian Network of Economic Historians (CNEH) Annual Meeting, October 2023

Co-organizer of *Race, Equity and Public Policy*, Centre for the Study of the U.S., U Toronto, Spring 2023

Organizer of *Material Struggles: A Symposium on Histories of Infrastructure in the United States*, Centre for the Study of the U.S., U Toronto, October 2022

Co-organizer of Yale Economic History Conference, Fall 2021

Co-organizer of Yale Economic History Conference, Spring 2021

Co-organizer of the F. Ross Johnson Colloquium, Centre for the Study of the U.S., U Toronto, Fall 2020

Organizer of *Record Linkage Workshop*, Public Policy & Economics, U Toronto, 2018

Co-organizer of Canadian Network of Economic Historians (CNEH) Annual Meeting, 2017

Co-organizer of CNEH Spring Conference, 2014

Program Committee member for CNEH Annual Meeting, 2014

### Economic History Association:

Programming Committee, Economic History Association Annual Meeting, 2022

Co-organizer, Virtual Economic History Seminar, Winter 2021 - Spring 2023

Chair, Standing Committee on Research Archives and Data Bases, 2014-2015

Member, Standing Committee on Research Archives and Data Bases, 2012-2014

### Social Science History Association:

Programme Committee for 2024 SSHA Meeting

Executive Committee, 2022-2025

**University of Toronto:**

Co-organizer, Graduate Student Workshop in Development/History, U of T, 2023-2024

Graduate Student Support Working Group, Economics, 2023-2024

Teaching Evaluation Committee, Munk School, 2023-2024

Part-time Continuing Appointment Review Committee, Munk School 2023-2024

Member, Bissell-Heyd Chair Appointment Committee, Munk School, 2023-2024

Appointments Committee, University of Toronto Faculty Association, 2023-2024

Search Committee in International Relations, Munk School and Trinity College, 2023-2024

Alternate Member, Graduate Economics Academic Appeals Committee, Economics, 2023-2024

Master of Public Policy Internship Advisor, Munk School, Summer 2023

Advisory Committee for the Appointment of the Director of the Study of the United States, Munk School, 2023

Continuing Status Review Committee, Economics, 2023

Progress through the Ranks (PTR) Committee, Munk School, 2023 & 2024

Teaching Evaluation Committee, Munk School, 2023

Connaught Review College, Social Sciences Review Panel, 2023-2026

Master of Global Affairs & Master of Public Policy Awards Committee, Munk School, 2022-2023

Recruiting Committee Member, Munk School, 2022-2023

Third Year Review Committee, Economics, 2022

Faculty Mentor (to Tianyi Wang), Economics, 2022-

Director of Undergraduate Major in Public Policy, Munk School, 2022-2025

Researcher Council Member, Digital Research Infrastructure Planning Group (DRI@UT), 2021-2023

Economics Representative, Centre for the Study of the United States, 2017-present

Economics Graduate Committee, 2019-2020

MA and PhD Admissions Committee, 2015-2016; 2019-2020

SSHRC Doctoral Awards Committee, 2019-2020

Munk School Recruiting Committee, 2018-2019

Economics Recruiting Committee, 2012-2013; 2013-2014; 2014-2015; 2017-2018

Economics Chair Search Committee, 2014-2015; 2017-2018

Co-organizer, Junior Applied Micro Brown Bag, 2017-2018

Organizer, Women's Lunch (Economics Department), 2016-2017

Workload Policy Committee, 2015-2016

Co-organizer, Empirical Microeconomics Seminar (CEPA), 2015-2016

Economics Graduate Chair Search Committee, 2014-2015

Organizer, Junior Faculty Applied Micro Brown Bag, 2014-2015

Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2013-2014; 2014-2015

Faculty Discussant for Economics 4060, 2014, 2015

Teaching Assessment Committee, 2013-2014

Reviewer Smith Family Scholarship, 2013

Faculty Mentor to 2014 President's Scholar of Excellence Winner

**Yale University:**

Organizer, Economic History Workshop, Spring 2021

**Ph.D. Students - First Placement (\* denotes primary or co-supervisor):**

Rallye Shen\* - University of British Columbia, Okanagan

Elaine Guo - Cornerstone, Toronto

Thomas Stringham\* - Stata, College Station, Texas

Boriana Miloucheva\* - Post-doc, Princeton University; then Assistant Professor, Public Health, U Toronto

James Ugucioni\* - Statistics Canada, Ottawa

Robert Embree\* - Bridgewater Associates, Westport, Connecticut

Daniel Indacochea\* - Analysis Group, Toronto

Jill Furzer - Keystone, New York

Maripier Isabelle - Post-doc, INSEAD, France

Alfia Karimova - Assistant Research Scientist, Population Studies Center of the Institute for Social Research at U Michigan

Mayvis Rebeira - Post-doc, Centre for Global Health Research, Toronto

**Current Ph.D. Students:**

Harrison Chang\*

Noah Spencer\*

Niketana Kannan

Devin Bissky-Dziadyk

**III. TEACHING**

***YALE UNIVERSITY COURSES***

American Economic History - ECON 182, Spring 2021

***UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO COURSES***

Undergraduate:

American Economic History - ECO 306

Topics in Health Economics - ECO 402

The Twentieth Century - ECO 342

Economics of Birth, Death and Everything in Between - MUN 195

Graduate:

Topics in Health Economics - ECO 2620

Topics in North American Economic History - ECO 2234

Applied Economics Public Policy: Topics in Demography - PPG 2002H

Topics in Cliometrics - ECO 4050

Capstone - Master's of Public Policy - PPG 2003H



***U.C. BERKELEY COURSES***

American Economic History - ECON 113, Summer & Fall 2010

**IV. OTHER INFORMATION**

Full Citizenship: USA, Israel, Canada, Portugal

Extracurricular Endeavors:

Member, Women's Art Initiative, *Art Gallery of Ontario*

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