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Education

Ph.D. in Economics, Boston College, 2018

B.A. in Economics-Mathematics, Colby College, *Magna Cum Laude*, 2012

Employment

Postdoctoral Fellow, Université de Bordeaux, 2018-Present

Fields

Applied Econometrics, Development Economics, Family Economics, Labor Economics

Job Market Paper

[“Consumption Inequality Among Children: Evidence from Child Fostering in Malawi”](#) (*under review*)

The share of household resources devoted to a child may depend on his or her gender, birth order, age, or relationship to their caretaker. However, it is challenging to determine whether parents favor certain children over others as consumption data is typically collected at the household level and goods are shared among family members. Recent work has inferred children’s consumption using household-level Engel curves for child-specific goods, but these studies are unable to identify inequality among children in the same household. I develop a new methodology using the collective household framework to study consumption inequality between different types of children. I apply this method to child fostering in Malawi, where 17 percent of households have a child who is living away from both of their biological parents. I find little evidence of inequality between foster and non-foster children, with the exception of orphaned foster children, whose consumption is 20 percent less than non-foster children.

Working Papers

[“Sharing the Pie: Undernutrition, Intra-household Allocation and Poverty”](#)
(with Caitlin Brown and Rossella Calvi) (*under review*)

[“The Impact of Unilateral Divorce Laws on Divorce Rates in Mexico”](#) (with Lauren Hoehn Velasco)
(*under review*)

[“The Impact of Unilateral Divorce in Mexico: Bargaining Power and Labor Supply”](#) (with Lauren Hoehn Velasco)

[“Do Child Labor Laws Work? Evidence from the Child Rights Act in Nigeria”](#) (*draft available upon request*)

Research in Progress

“The More The Poorer? Scale Economies in Households with Multiple Children” (with Rossella Calvi, Denni Tommasi, and Alexander Wolf)

Teaching Experience

INSTRUCTOR	BOSTON COLLEGE, CHESTNUT HILL, MA Principles of Macroeconomics (Fall 2016, Summer 2016)
TEACHING ASSISTANT	BOSTON COLLEGE, CHESTNUT HILL, MA Game Theory (Spring 2018) Statistics Lab (Fall 2017, Fall 2015) Environmental Economics (Spring 2017) Principles of Macroeconomics (Spring 2016) Econometrics Lab (Spring 2015, Fall 2014)

Conferences, Workshops, and Presentations

2019 (scheduled): • University of Verona • Luxembourg Institute of Socio-Economic Research (LISER) • Central European University • Workshop on Family Economics (Bordeaux)

2018: • Rice University • NERA • Society of the Economics of the Household (Paris, France), • IDEA-GREThA Conference (Bordeaux, France) • Université de Bordeaux • Families in Macroeconomics (Mannheim, Germany) • Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Washington, DC)

2017: • PacDev (Riverside, CA) • 14th Midwest International Economic Development Conference (Madison, WI) • Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Tampa Bay, FL) • Boston College Human and Economic Development Seminar • NEUDC Poster Session at Tufts University • University of Haifa • BU-BC Workshop in Econometrics (Boston, MA)

Awards and Honors

Poster Prize, NEUDC at Tufts, 2017

John Kenneth Felter Family Dissertation Fellowship (Summer 2015)

Full Tuition Remission and Stipend, Boston College (2012-Present)

Robert W. Pullen Prize, Colby College (2012) for Outstanding Research Assistance

Research and Professional Experience

SHORT TERM CONSULTANT WORLD BANK (Summer 2015)

RESEARCH ASSISTANT BOSTON COLLEGE

RESEARCH ASSISTANT Prof. Andrew Beauchamp (Fall 2013 - Summer 2014)
RESEARCH ASSISTANT CENTER FOR RETIREMENT RESEARCH (Summer 2013 - Spring 2014)
RESEARCH ASSISTANT TERRASYS ENERGY Jakarta, Indonesia (Summer 2011)

Referee Service

Journal of Business and Economic Statistics, Population Research and Policy Review

Skills

Stata, Matlab, L^AT_EX

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