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## Education

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Ph.D. in Economics, Boston College, 2018 (expected)  
M.A. in Economics, Boston College, 2013  
B.A. in Economics-Mathematics, Colby College, *Magna Cum Laude*, 2012

## Fields

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Development Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Labor Economics

## Job Market Paper

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“Child Fostering and Intrahousehold Inequality”

How are foster children treated within the household? In this paper, I study intrahousehold consumption inequality between foster and non-foster children. However, it is challenging to identify individual-level consumption as data is typically collected at the household level and goods are shared among family members. Recent work has inferred children’s consumption from Engel curves of 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 identify inequality between foster and non-foster children. Using data from Malawi, I find little evidence of inequality between foster and non-foster children, with the exception of *orphaned* foster children whose consumption is 23 percent less than non-orphaned foster children. The identification results of this paper can be used in other contexts to measure consumption inequality among children of different gender, birth order, or prenatal endowments.

## Working Papers

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“Child Labor Laws and Household Fertility Decisions: Evidence from Nigeria” (Revise and Resubmit, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*)

## Research in Progress

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“Intrahousehold Food Allocation, Undernutrition and Poverty: Evidence from Bangladesh”  
(with Caitlin Brown and Rossella Calvi)

“Divorce Laws and Women’s Bargaining Power: A Combined Reduced Form-Structural Approach”  
(with Lauren Hoehn Velasco)

“Matrilineal Kinship Systems: Are Women and Children Better Off?” (with S Anukriti)

## Teaching Experience

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

## Awards and Honors

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- Poster Prize, NEUDC at Tufts, 2017
- John Kenneth Felter Family Dissertation Fellowship (Summer 2015)
- Full Tuition Remission and Stipend, Boston College (2012-Present)

## Conferences, Workshops, and Presentations

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2017 (including scheduled): PacDev (Riverside, CA), 14th Midwest International Economic Development Conference (Madison, WI), Southern Economic Association 87th Annual Meetings (Tampa Bay, FL), Boston College Human and Economic Development Seminar (Boston, MA), NEUDC Poster Session at Tufts University (Medford, MA)

WORKSHOP COORDINATOR: 2016-2017: Boston College Applied-Micro Student Workshop

## Research and Professional Experience

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SHORT TERM CONSULTANT	WORLD BANK (Summer 2015)
RESEARCH ASSISTANT	BOSTON COLLEGE 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)

## Skills

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Stata, Matlab, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

## References

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