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Academic Positions and Affiliations:

2016- Assistant Professor of Economics, University of
Nebraska-Lincoln
2017- Faculty affiliate, Nebraska Center for Research on Children,
Youth, Families and Schools
2014-2016 Postdoctoral Scholar, Becker Friedman Institute, University of
Chicago

Education:

Ph.D., Economics, University of Chicago, 2008-2014
B.A., Economics-Mathematics, Columbia University, 2005

Research Fields:

Primary fields: Labor and Public economics

References:

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Other Employment:

2005-2008 Research Associate, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia

Teaching Experience:

Fall 2016, 2017 Labor Economics I and II (2nd year Ph.D.), University of Nebraska
Spring 2017, 2018, Intro to Econometrics (Undergraduate), University of Nebraska
2019
Fall 2015 Principles of Economics (Undergraduate, co-taught with John List),
University of Chicago
Spring 2014, Fall 2011 Intro to Econometrics (Undergraduate), University of Chicago

Presentations (including scheduled):

2019	University of Nebraska Law, SOLE
2018	AEA/ASSA Annual Meetings, SOLE, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, NBER Summer Institute (Public/Labor Studies), University of Kansas, UChicago Urban Labs
2017	2017 Federal Reserve System's Community Development Research Conference, ALEA, University of Geneva, University of Missouri, APPAM, Iowa State University
2016	University of Nebraska, SOLE, SEA, University of Memphis
2015	Workshop on Human Potential (Chicago Harris), Family Economics Workshop (Chicago Econ), Chicago Booth Micro Lunch, SOLE, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
2014	Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, University of Memphis
2013	Micro Lunch (Chicago Econ), Family Economics (Chicago Econ)

Honors, Grants, and Fellowships:

2018-2020	National Science Foundation Grant SES-1757187, 1757186, 1757112 (PI, with John Eric Humphries, Nicholas Mader, and Winnie van Dijk)
2018-2020	Russell Sage Foundation Grant 92-18-05 (PI, with Enghin Atalay and Sebastian Sotelo)
2017-2019	Spencer Foundation Small Grant (PI, with John Eric Humphries, Nicholas Mader, and Winnie van Dijk)
2017	W.E. Upjohn Institute Early Career Research Award
2016	Arnold Foundation and U.S. Census Bureau grantee, "Using Linked Data to Advance Evidence-Based Policymaking" (with John Eric Humphries, Nicholas Mader, and Winnie van Dijk)
2015-2017	Washington Center for Equitable Growth Grant (with Enghin Atalay and Sebastian Sotelo)
2013-2014	Margaret G. Reid Dissertation Fellowship, University of Chicago
2008-2013	Social Sciences Fellowship, University of Chicago

Published and accepted papers:

"The effect of child support laws on selection into marriage and fertility"

Accepted, *Journal of Labor Economics*

"New Technologies and the Labor Market" (with Enghin Atalay, Phai Phongthientham, and Sebastian Sotelo)

Journal of Monetary Economics, Vol. 97, August 2018, pp. 48-67 (Carnegie-Rochester-NYU Series)

Working papers:

"Does the disclosure of gun ownership affect crime? Evidence from New York"

Revise and Resubmit, *Journal of Public Economics*

While the social costs of gun violence are high, opponents of gun restrictions argue that gun ownership both deters criminals directly and creates a positive externality by increasing unobserved risk to criminals. This paper investigates the evidence for these two channels, exploiting the sudden disclosure of all handgun permit holders' names and addresses in two New York counties. I find that permit-holders have more crime incidents at their homes relative to non-permit holders, which is not driven by selection into neighborhoods; I find modest evidence in favor of direct and peer deterrence.

“The Evolving U.S. Occupational Structure” (with Enghin Atalay, Phai Phongthientham, and Sebastian Sotelo)

Using the text from job ads, we construct a new data set of occupational content from 1960 to 2000. We document that within-occupation task content shifts are at least as important as employment shifts across occupations in accounting for the aggregate decline of routine tasks. Motivated by these patterns, we first bring our new task measures to a reduced-form statistical decomposition. We then embed our measures in an equilibrium model of occupational choice. These two exercises indicate that shifts in the relative demand for tasks account for much of the increase in 90-10 earnings inequality observed over our sample period.

“Does eviction create poverty? Quasi-experimental evidence from Cook County, IL” (with John Eric Humphries, Nicholas Mader, and Winnie van Dijk)

Each year more than two million U.S. households have an eviction case filed against them. Influential work in sociology has hypothesized that eviction is a cause, and not merely a consequence, of poverty. This paper uses the near-universe of eviction court cases in Cook County, IL for 2000-2016, linked to credit bureau and payday loans data, to provide evidence on the link between eviction and financial strain. We first provide new descriptive evidence showing that there is significant distress and an increase in demand for high interest loans in the run-up to eviction court for both evicted and non-evicted tenants. We then estimate the causal effect of an eviction order on financial strain, proxies for durable goods consumption, household moves, and neighborhood quality, leveraging the random assignment of cases to judges in eviction court for identification. The effects are small relative to the financial strain experienced by tenants in the run-up to eviction court.

Professional Activities:

Referee:	American Economic Review, American Educational Research Journal, Developmental Psychology, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Labour Economics, National Science Foundation, Quarterly Journal of Economics
Scientific committee:	BIBB Tasks V Conference