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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENT

University of California, Berkeley School of Law
Assistant Professor, Jurisprudence & Social Policy Program (July 2019-present)

EDUCATION

Harvard Graduate School of Arts and Sciences

Ph.D., Government, May 2019

Dissertation: “Essays on the Politics of Policing”

Dissertation committee: Stephen Ansolabehere (chair), Jennifer Hochschild, Jens Ludwig (University of Chicago), Bruce Western (Columbia University)

Harvard College

B.A., Statistics (cum laude), May 2013

PUBLICATIONS

“Inequality in Police Service Provision: Evidence from Residential Burglary Investigations” (conditionally accepted at *Journal of Law and Economics*)

“Criminalizing Poverty: The Consequences of Court Fees in a Randomized Experiment” (forthcoming at *American Sociological Review*) (with Devah Pager, Helen Ho, and Bruce Western)

“Estimating the Effect of Asking About Citizenship on the U.S. Census: Results from a Randomized Controlled Trial” (forthcoming at *Journal of Politics*) (with Matthew Baum, Bryce Dietrich, and Maya Sen)

“Senior Citizens as a Pro-Police Interest Group” *Journal of Political Institutions and Political Economy* 2.2 (2021): 303-328.

“Exploitative Revenues, Law Enforcement, and the Quality of Government Service” *Urban Affairs Review* 61, no. 1 (2020): 5-31. (with Michael Sances and Hye Young You)

“The Politics of Decarceration” *Yale Law Journal* 129, no. 2 (2019).

“Cities as Lobbyists” *American Journal of Political Science* 61, no. 4 (2017): 864-876. (with Hye Young You)

“Evaluating Proactive Police Units: A Case Study of Retrospective Benefit-Cost Analysis with Nonexperimental Data” *Journal of Benefit-Cost Analysis*, 8, no. 3 (2017): 348-359.

WORKING PAPERS

“Political Underrepresentation Among Public Benefits Recipients: Evidence from Linked Administrative Data” (with Seth Chizek, Kelley Fong, and Ariel White) (*under review*)

“Optimization-Assisted Re-Randomization” (with Connor Jerzak)

“The Role of Excess U.S. Military Equipment in Local Policing in the U.S.”

**SELECTED
RESEARCH
IN PROGRESS**

“More COPS, More Fatalities?” (with Katarina Jensen and Deepak Premkumar)

“Crime and Far-Right Voting: Evidence from Denmark” (with Katarina Jensen)

“Election Timing and Punishment: Evidence from Sentencing Data” (with Katarina Jensen)

“Descriptive Representation and the Legislative Agenda: Evidence from California” (with Pamela Ban)

**INVITED
PRESENTA-
TIONS**

Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (2021 (*upcoming – postponed to 2022*))

Goldman School of Public Policy Research Seminar (2021)

Southern Economic Association (2021)

American Political Science Association (2013, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2021)

Midwest Political Science Association (2017, 2019, 2020 (*cancelled*), 2021, 2022 (*upcoming*))

University of Southern California Local Political Economy Symposium (2021)

UC Berkeley Center for the Study of Law and Society Speaker Series (2021)

International City/County Manager’s Association UNITE Conference (2020)

Arthur Liman Center for Public Interest Law at Yale Law School Colloquium: Money and Punishment (2020)

UC Berkeley Research Workshop in American Politics (2020)

American Politics Research Workshop, Harvard University (2016, 2017, 2018)

International Society for Political Psychology (2017)

Political Economy Research Workshop, Harvard University (2015)

**FELLOWSHIPS
& AWARDS**

Dissertation Fellowship in Urban Policy and Governance, Harvard Kennedy School Taubman Center for State and Local Government (2018-19)

Dissertation Research Fellowship on the Study of the American Republic, Harvard University Center for American Political Studies (Fall 2017)

Malcolm Hewitt Wiener Ph.D. Scholar in Poverty and Justice, Harvard University Multidisciplinary Program in Inequality & Social Policy (2016-17)

Deil S. Wright Award for the Best Paper in Federalism and Intergovernmental Relations at the American Political Science Association Annual Meeting (2016)

National Champion in Extemporaneous Speech, National Speech & Debate Association (2008)

GRANTS

Miller Institute for Global Challenges and the Law Research Grant (2020)

Harvard Kennedy School of Government Program in Criminal Justice Policy and Management Summer Research Grant (2018)

Harvard University Foundations of Human Behavior Initiative Grant (2017)

Harvard Institute for Quantitative Social Science Conference Travel Grant (2017)

Center for American Political Studies Graduate Seed Grant (2015, 2016)

Center for American Political Studies Summer Research Grant (2012)

INVITED WRITING

What happens to police departments that collect more fines? They solve fewer crimes. The Washington Post Monkey Cage Blog, September 24, 2018 (with Michael Sances and Hye Young You)

Gaps in state funding mean that liberal cities in conservative states are more likely to lobby the federal government. London School of Economics United States Politics and Policy Blog, March 1, 2018 (with Hye Young You)

TEACHING & ADVISING

UC Berkeley

Courses

Law School 209.3: Introductory Statistics

Legal Studies 190.007: Criminal Justice in the U.S.: Policing, Mass Incarceration, and Paths to Reform

Senior Thesis Advising

Julia Fox. "Policing in the Age of Camera Consciousness: A Look into Officers' Perceptions of Body Worn Cameras" (2019-20).

Harvard

Courses

Statistics 104: Introduction to Quantitative Methods for Economics
Teaching Fellow (Spring 2018)
Course Assistant (2011-2013)

Statistics 111: Introduction to Statistical Inference Theory
Course Assistant (Spring 2014)

Senior Thesis Advising

Elena Schwartz. "Mandatory Justice?: Judicial Discretion and Disparities under the Federal Sentencing Guidelines" (2018-19).

Jazmine Phillips-Acie. "A Second Chance for Some: Racial Inequality in Placement and Performance in Massachusetts Drug Courts" (2017-18) (winner of the Kathryn Ann

Huggins Prize for Most outstanding thesis relating to African American life, history, or culture).

Megan Mers. "Why Women Win: The Crucial Role of Gender as a Voting Heuristic in Low-Information Judicial Elections" (2016-17).

Enioluwada Popoola. "Free to Vote: A Study of the Political Participation of Formerly Incarcerated Boston Residents" (2016-17).

**REFEREE
SERVICE**

American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Public Performance & Management Review, Police Quarterly

**WORK
EXPERIENCE**

Research Statistician
Prof. Michael Hiscox (Harvard University) (2013-14)

Research Intern
Office of Economic Policy, U.S. Department of the Treasury (Summer 2012)

Research Intern
Office of Opinion Research, Bureau of Intelligence and Research, U.S. Department of State (Summer 2011) (Top Secret/Sensitive Compartmented Information Security Clearance)

SOFTWARE

R, Stata, ArcGIS, L^AT_EX

LANGUAGES

English (native), French (speaking and reading proficiency), Italian (speaking proficiency)