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### CURRENT AFFILIATIONS:

Assistant Professor, Harris Public Policy, University of Chicago, 2018-  
Internal Revenue Service, Research, Applied Analytics, and Statistics (RAAS) Division, 2018-

### SHORT-TERM VISITS:

CESifo, Nov 22-Dec 7 2019  
Hitotsubashi University, June-August 2024, 2025

EDUCATION	DEGREE	DATE	FIELD
University of California, Berkeley	Ph.D.	2018	Economics
University of Cambridge	M.Phil., w/ Distinction	2010	Economic History
Cornell University	B.S., w/ Honors	2009	Industrial & Labor Relations

### ARTICLES IN ACADEMIC JOURNALS:

1. "New Gig Work or Changes in Reporting: Understanding Self-Employment Trends in Tax Data" (with Andrew Garin and Emilie Jackson). Forthcoming, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*.
2. "The Impact of Incarceration on Employment, Earnings, and Tax Outcomes" (with Andrew Garin, Sam Norris, Matthew Pecenco, Evan K. Rose, Yotam Shem-Tov and Jeffrey Weaver). 2025. *Econometrica*, 93(2): 503-538.
3. "Labor Market Impacts of Reducing Felony Convictions" (with Amanda Agan, Andrew Garin, Alex Mas, and Crystal Yang). 2024. *American Economic Review: Insights*, 6(3): 341-58.
4. "The Response of Consumer Spending to Changes in Gasoline Prices" (with Michael Gelman, Yuriy Gorodnichenko, Shachar Kariv, Matthew D. Shapiro, Dan Silverman, and Steven Tadelis). 2023. *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, 15(2): 129-60.
5. "Temporary Work Contracts, Parental Leave and Female Labor Market Outcomes" (with Yukiko Asai). 2023. *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*, 208(2023): 1-20.
6. "Is Gig Work Changing the Labor Market? Key Lessons from Tax Data" (with Andrew Garin and Emilie Jackson). 2022. *National Tax Journal*, 75(4): 791-816.
7. "Consumption Inequality and the Frequency of Purchases" (with Olivier Coibion and Yuriy Gorodnichenko). 2021. *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*. 13(4): 449-482.
8. "Is New Platform Work Different than Other Freelancing?" (with Andrew Garin, Emilie Jackson, and Carl McPherson). 2020. *AEA Papers and Proceedings*, 110: 157-161.
9. "Insights from New Tax-Based Measures of Gig Work in the United States." 2020. *CESifo Forum*, 21(3): 5-9.

10. "What Do Big Data Tell Us About Why People Take Gig Economy Jobs?" 2019. *AEA Papers and Proceedings*, 109: 367-371.
11. "The long-run effects of government spending on structural change: Evidence from Second World War defense contracts" (with Zhimin Li). 2019. *Economics Letters*, 178: 66-69.
12. "Atherosclerosis? The Puzzle of Rising U.S. Unemployment Persistence" (with Olivier Coibion and Yuriy Gorodnichenko). 2013. *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity*, Fall 2013: 193-260.
13. "Ownership Dispersion and the London Stock Exchange's 'Two-Thirds' Rule: An Empirical Test" (with David Chambers and Brian Cheffins). 2013. *Business History*, 55(4): 670-693.

#### **WORKING PAPERS:**

1. "The Evolution of Platform Gig Work, 2012-2023" (with Andrew Garin, Emilie Jackson and Alicia Miller). In preparation for NBER Conference on Research in Income and Wealth (CRIW) Conference Volume, University of Chicago Press.
2. "How Do Workers Think About The Costs and Benefits of Freelance Work? New Evidence From a Survey Experiment" (with Ed Freeland and Andrew Garin). In preparation for NBER Conference on Research in Income and Wealth (CRIW) Conference Volume, University of Chicago Press.
3. "Can you Erase the Mark of a Criminal Record? Labor Market Impacts of Criminal Record Remediation" (with Amanda Agan, Andrew Garin, Alex Mas, and Crystal Yang). 2024. *Revise and Resubmit, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*.
4. "Student Loan Forgiveness" (with Michael Dinerstein, Samuel Earnest, and Constantine Yannelis). 2025. *NBER Working Paper #33462*.
5. "The Impact of Third-Party Reporting on Tax Compliance: Evidence from Gig Workers" (with Andrew Garin, Emilie Jackson and Alicia Miller). 2025. *SSRN Working Paper*
6. "Effects of Unemployment Insurance for Self-Employed and Marginally-Attached Workers" (with Andrew Garin and Emilie Jackson). 2025. *BFI Working Paper*.
7. "Beliefs About Student Loan Repayment" (with Michael Weber and Constantine Yannelis).
8. "Consumption Insurance and Multiple Jobs: Evidence from Rideshare Drivers," 2018.

#### **POLICY AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS:**

1. "New York City's Gig Driver Pay Standard: Effects on Drivers, Passengers, and the Companies," (with James Parrott and Michael Reich) Policy Memo. 12/20/2020.
2. "Relief for Self-Employed Workers: Why the Hold Up and How to Fix It?" (with Andrew Garin) *BFI White Paper* 04/20/2020.
3. "Energy Policy Opportunities: Continuing Challenges in the Presence of Increased Supplies of Natural Gas and Petroleum" (with Michael Greenstone, Karen Li, and Adam Looney), *A Hamilton Project Framing Memo*, June 2012.
4. "A Dozen Economic Facts About Taxes" (with Michael Greenstone, Karen Li, and Adam Looney), *A Hamilton Project Framing Memo*, May 2012

#### **RESEARCH SUPPORT:**

1. Russell Sage Foundation, Grant #2404-48679, "Complements to Work: Childcare Subsidies and Female Labor Supply," co-PI, 1/1/2025-12/31/2026.

2. Washington Center for Equitable Growth, “Evaluating the Impact of the 2021 CDCTC Expansion on Women’s Labor Supply and Childcare Utilization”, co-PI, 2024-2025.
3. Peter G. Peterson Foundation Pandemic Response Policy Research Fund Award, 2022-2023.
4. Russell Sage Foundation, Grant #2005-25828, “Insurance in the Gig Economy: Impacts of the COVID shock and take up of new unemployment benefits among NYC’s taxi and rideshare drivers” co-PI, 2021-2022.
5. Clean Slate Initiative, “The Impact of Criminal Records on Employment, Earnings, and Financial Well-Being,” co-PI, for the period 8/1/2021-4/30/2023.
6. NIA P30 Center on Healthy Aging Behaviors and Longitudinal InvestigationS (CHABLIS) Pilot grant, “The Rise and Consequences of Alternative Work Arrangements for the Aging Workforce.”
7. Alfred P. Sloan Foundation, “Effects of Driver Pay on the Gig Economy– Evidence from New York City Before and After Significant Regulatory Changes,” 8/01/2019-8/31/2022.
8. Russell Sage Foundation, Grant #1811-09803, “Are Alternative Work Arrangements the Future of (Part-time) Work?: Evidence from Tax Records,” co-PI, 07/01/2019-08/30/2022.

**CONSULTING SERVICES:**

2022-2023 Labor Markets Research Consultant, Inter-American Development Bank (IADB), Washington D.C.

**PRESENTATIONS AT SELECTED CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS:**

- 2025 *Seminars:* University of Virginia  
*Conferences:* AEA Annual Meeting, Bundesbank “Conference on Expectations of Households and Firms”, BFI “Conference on Higher Education Financing”, NBER Spring Meeting Public Economics, Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities (LEO) Mini-Conference, Trans-Pacific Labor Seminar
- 2024 *Seminars:* Institute for Fiscal Studies (IFS), U.S. Census Bureau, Cornell University, University of Chicago Booth Microeconomics Workshop  
*Conferences:* AEA Annual Meeting, Midwestern Economic Association, Stone Center Conference and Summer School on Socioeconomic Opportunity and Inequality, SOLE Annual Meeting, National Tax Association Annual Meeting, Cambridge Finance Conference, NBER Fall Meeting Public Economics
- 2023 *Seminars:* Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia  
*Conferences:* AEA Annual Meeting, Midwestern Economic Association, SOLE Annual Meeting, National Tax Association Annual Meeting, NBER Summer Institute Labor Studies
- 2022 *Seminars:* Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, University of California Berkeley (Labor Workshop, Macro Workshop), University of Chicago Harris School, University of Illinois Chicago, U.S. Treasury Office of Tax Analysis, Hitotsubashi University, Waseda University  
*Conferences:* AEA Annual Meeting, England-Clark Conference University of Nebraska-Lincoln, Midwestern Economic Association, NBER Spring Meetings Public Economics, SOLE Annual Meeting, NBER Fall Meetings Public Economics

- 2021 *Seminars:* Colegio de México, London School of Economics, Online Public Finance Seminar (OPFS), University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, University of Maryland College Park, US Treasury Office of Tax Analysis  
*Conferences:* AEA Annual Meeting, SOLE Annual Meeting, National Tax Association, NBER Summer Institute CRIW
- 2020 *Keynotes:* Workshop on Gig Economy London School of Economics  
*Seminars:* University of Chicago (Demography)  
*Conferences:* AEA Annual Meeting, SOLE Annual Meeting, LERA Annual Meeting, IZA/University of Luxembourg Workshop: Matching Workers and Jobs Online
- 2019 *Seminars:* Bureau of Labor Statistics, New York Fed, US Treasury  
*Conferences:* AEA Annual Meeting, CESifo and LINER-AUEB Workshop “The Effects of the Digital Transformation on the Workplace and the Labor Market”, CESifo Summer Institute “Economics of the Gig Economy”, IZA Labor Statistics Workshop – “Contract Work”, NAS Panel “Measuring Contingent Work and Alternative Work Arrangements”, NBER Summer Institute Labor Studies, SOLE Annual Meeting
- 2018 *Seminars:* Amherst College, Colgate University, Deutsche Bundesbank, Dallas Fed, Federal Reserve Board, University of Chicago Booth School of Business, University of Chicago Harris School of Public Policy, University of Maryland, University of California San Diego, University of Texas at Austin  
*Conferences:* Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research “Economics of the Gig Economy”
- 2017 *Seminars:* Airbnb, Chicago Fed, University of California Berkeley, University of Tokyo  
*Conferences:* NBER Summer Institute Consumption: Micro to Macro

#### **REFEREEING SERVICE:**

*American Economic Review; American Economic Journal: Applied Economics; American Economic Journal: Economic Policy; American Economic Review: Insights; B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics; Canadian Journal of Economics; Econometrica; European Economic Review; International Economic Review; ILR Review; Journal of Monetary Economics; Journal of Policy Analysis and Management; Journal of Political Economy; Journal of Public Economics; Quantitative Economics; Quarterly Journal of Economics; Review of Economics and Statistics*

#### **TEACHING:**

- 2025 PPHA 31102 Statistics for Data Analysis II
- 2024 PPHA 31102 Statistics for Data Analysis II
- 2023 PPHA 31102 Statistics for Data Analysis II  
PPHA 34241 Household Finance  
PBPL 28528/ ECON 13110 Household Finance
- 2022 PPHA 31102 Statistics for Data Analysis II  
PPHA 34241 Household Finance  
PBPL 28528/ ECON 13110 Household Finance
- 2021 PPHA 34241 Household Finance  
PBPL 28528/ ECON 13110 Household Finance
- 2020 PPHA 31002 Statistics for Data Analysis I

PPHA 34241 Household Finance  
PBPL 28528/ ECON 13110 Household Finance  
2019 PPHA 34241 Household Finance  
PBPL 28528 Household Finance

**ADVISING (FIRST PLACEMENTS):**

*PhD Committees:* Angela Wyse (Dartmouth University)

*Pre-doctoral:* Reigne Dadey (PhD program at Harvard Public Health), Sejung Kim (PhD program at Columbia University)

**UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO SERVICE:**

2020-2023, Harris School Public Policy and Economics (PPE) seminar, faculty co-organizer  
2024-2025  
2020, 2022 Harris School Applied Microeconomics junior hiring committee  
2020-2021 NORC Demography Seminar, faculty co-organizer

**OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

2024 Society of Labor Economists (SOLE) program committee  
2025 National Tax Association (NTA) program committee

**OTHER INFORMATION:**

Citizenship: United States

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