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Research Appointments

University of Warwick

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, 2016- (on leave until 2017).

Princeton University

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Center for the Study of Democratic Politics, 2016-2017.

Education

Columbia University

Ph.D. 2016 Economics

J.D. 2010 Law

University of Amsterdam

LLM 2010 International Criminal Law

University of Texas at Austin

B.A. 2007 Plan II Honors, Economics, Government, and Philosophy

Research Interests

Law and Economics, Political Economy, Applied Microeconomics, Machine Learning

Peer-Reviewed Publications

“Elections and divisiveness: Theory and evidence” (with Massimo Morelli and Richard Van Weelden), *Journal of Politics* (forthcoming).

“Intrinsic motivation in public service: Theory and evidence from state supreme courts” (with Bentley MacLeod), *Journal of Law and Economics* (November 2015).

“On the behavioral economics of crime” (with Frans van Winden), *Review of Law and Economics*, vol. 8 no. 12 (June 2012).

Working Papers

“The political economy of tax laws in the U.S. states” (job market paper).

“The performance of elected officials: Evidence from state supreme courts” (with Bentley MacLeod).

“Sequential decision-making with group identity” (with Jessica Van Parys).

“The impacts of legal schools of thought” (with Daniel Chen and Suresh Naidu).

“Religious freedoms, church-state separation, and religiosity: Evidence from randomly assigned judges” (with Daniel Chen).

“Aging and retirement in a high-skill group: The case of state supreme court judges” (with Bentley MacLeod).

“Local public finance and discriminatory policing: Evidence from traffic stops in Missouri” (with Jeffrey Fagan and Allison Harris).

“Property taxes and local labor markets: Evidence from staggered property reassessments.”

“The making of international tax law: Empirical evidence from treaty text” (with Omri Marian).

Other Publications

“New Policing, New Segregation: From Ferguson to New York” (with Jeffrey Fagan), *Georgetown Law Journal* (forthcoming).

Grants

Columbia Program for Economic Research Seed Grant (with Suresh Naidu), “Laws, Contracts, and Performance: Evidence from Collective Bargaining Agreements,” \$6,500 (2014–2015) (resulting in NSF Grant SES-1459932, \$160,000).

Columbia PER Seed Grant (with Bentley MacLeod), “Employment Conditions and Judge Behavior,” \$6,000 (2012–2013) (resulting in NSF Grant SES-1260875, \$228,000).

Columbia Experimental Lab in the Social Sciences Research Grant (with Jessica Van Parys), “Bayesian Communication with Group identity,” \$1,000 (2013).

Fellowships and Awards

Russell Sage Foundation Summer Institute in Computational Social Science (2017)

Research Fellowship, Columbia University Department of Economics (2015–2016)

C. Lowell Harriss Dissertation Fellowship, Lincoln Institute of Land Policy (2014–2015)

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (2011–2014)

Faculty Fellowship, Columbia University Department of Economics (2010–2011, 2014–2015)

Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, Columbia Law School (2008–2010)

Teaching Appointments

New York University

Project Advisor, Machine Learning and Computational Statistics (Spring 2017)

Columbia University

Adjunct Professor, Master’s Program Thesis Course (Spring/Summer 2017)

Instructor, Law and Economics (undergraduate) (Summer 2014)

TA, Perspectives on Economic Studies (PhD), Profs. Joe Stiglitz and Jeff Sachs (Spring 2013)

TA, Political Economy (undergraduate), Prof. Massimo Morelli (Fall 2012)

Software Development

Free Law Project (courtlister.com)

Columbia Econ TextLab (textlab.econ.columbia.edu)

Referee Service

Journal of Public Economics, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics

Seminar and Conference Presentations

2017

Israel Law and Economics Association
Princeton Public Law Working Group
Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture
Northwestern University Colloquium on Law and Economics
ETH Zurich Center for Law & Economics

2016

Bocconi University Department of Economics
Princeton Center for Study of Democratic Politics
Conference on Empirical Legal Studies in Europe
American Law and Economics Association

2015

Southern Economics Association
Georgetown Symposium on Race and Policing
Columbia Frontiers of Urban Economics Conference
NYU Colloquium on Law, Economics, and Politics
American Political Science Association
Society of Labor Economists
Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics
American Law and Economics Association
Princeton CSDP Workshop on the Political Economy of Bureaucrats

2014

Latin-American Workshop in Law and Economics
NBER Law and Economics Summer Institute
LSE-NYU Conference on Political Science and Political Economy

2013

Conference on Empirical Legal Studies
American Law and Economics Association

2012

International Atlantic Economic Conference

2009

Heidelberg "Beyond the Economics of Crime" Conference

Expert Testimony

Statistical Analysis for DOJ Civil Rights Investigation into Ferguson Police Department, 207-42-6 (2015).

Professional Licenses

Attorney at Law, State of New York (2010-)

Administrative Service

Organizer, Columbia University Political Economy Seminar (2013-2014).

President, Columbia University Association of Graduate Economics Students (2012-2013).

Undergraduate Curriculum Adviser, Columbia Economics Department (2011-2014).

Representative, Columbia Law School Student Senate (2007-2009).

References

W. Bentley MacLeod (dissertation sponsor), Professor of Economics, Law, and International/Public Affairs, Columbia University, +1 (310) 571-5083, bentley.macleod@columbia.edu

Suresh Naidu, Assistant Professor of Economics and International/Public Affairs, Columbia University, +1 (212) 854-0027, sn2430@columbia.edu

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