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## EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley  
Ph.D. in Economics, 2003  
Fields of Specialization: Labor Economics, Econometrics

Franklin and Marshall College  
B.A. in Economics, 1997  
Summa cum Laude, Phi Beta Kappa

## EMPLOYMENT

Dartmouth College  
Assistant Professor of Economics, July 2006 to present  
Courses Taught: Topics in Public Economics, Introduction to Statistical Methods

University of California, Davis  
Assistant Professor of Economics, July 2003 to June 2006  
Courses Taught: Econometrics, Economics of Education, Intermediate Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Applied Econometrics (graduate)

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Economics of Education, Labor Economics, Public Economics

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

"Cracks in the Melting Pot: Immigration, School Choice, and Segregation," (with Ethan Lewis), *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, forthcoming August 2012 (last version: May 2011).

"Is Being in School Better? The Impact of School on Children's BMI When Starting Age is Endogenous," (with Patricia Anderson, Kristin Butcher, and Diane Whitmore Schanzenbach), *Journal of Health Economics*, 30(5), 977-986, September 2011.

"Paying for Progress: Conditional Grants and the Desegregation of Southern Schools" (with Nora Gordon, Ethan Lewis, and Sarah Reber), *The Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 125(1), 445-482, February 2010.

"Maternal Labor Supply and the Introduction of Kindergartens into American Public Schools," *The Journal of Human Resources*, 44(1), 140-170, Winter 2009.

"From Brown to Busing," (with Nora Gordon, Ethan Lewis, and Sarah Reber), *Journal of Urban Economics*, 64(2), 296-325, September 2008.

“Education and the Age Profile of Literacy into Adulthood,” (with Damon Clark and Nora Gordon), *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 22(3), 47-70, Summer 2008.

“Schooling and the Armed Forces Qualifying Test: Evidence from School-Entry Laws,” (with Ethan Lewis), *The Journal of Human Resources*, 41(2), 294-318, Spring 2006.

## **BOOK REVIEWS**

Review of *Passing the Torch: Does Higher Education for the Disadvantaged Pay Off across the Generations?* By Paul Attewell and David E. Lavin. *Journal of Economic Literature*, 46(2), 431-433, June 2008.

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

“What Happened When Kindergarten Went Universal?” *Education Next*, 10(2), 63-68, Spring 2010.

“Long-term Effects of Investments in Universal Early Education: Evidence from the American Kindergarten Expansion” CEPR VoxEU.org column, August 20, 2009.

“Race to the Top? Relative Age and Student Achievement” CEPR VoxEU.org column, September 6, 2008.

“How and Why Does Age at Kindergarten Entry Matter?” Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco *Economic Letter* Number 2008-24, August 8, 2008.

“Can Young Americans Compete in a Global Economy?” Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco *Economic Letter* Number 2008-22, July 18, 2008.

“From *Brown* to Busing: Desegregation in Southern Schools,” (with Nora Gordon, Ethan Lewis, and Sarah Reber), *Insights on Southern Poverty* 6(1), Summer 2008 .

## **WORKING PAPERS**

“Knowledge, Tests, and Fadeout in Educational Interventions,” (with Douglas Staiger), NBER Working Paper 18038, May 2012.

“Valuing the Vote: The Redistribution of Voting Rights and State Funds Following the Voting Rights Act of 1965,” (with Ebonya Washington), NBER Working Paper 17776, January 2012.

“Federal Aid and Equality of Educational Opportunity: Evidence from the Introduction of Title I in the South,” (with Nora Gordon and Sarah Reber), NBER Working Paper 17155, June 2011. Revised March 2012.

“Do Investments in Universal Early Education Pay Off? Long-term Effects of Introducing Kindergartens into Public Schools,” NBER Working Paper 14951, May 2009.

“First in the Class? Age and the Education Production Function,” (with Diane Whitmore Schanzenbach), NBER Working Paper 13663, December 2007.

“School Progression and the Grade Distribution of Students: Evidence from the Current Population Survey,” IZA Discussion Paper 1747, September 2005.

## **WORK IN PROGRESS**

“Peer Effects and Fadeout in Educational Intervention” (with Douglas Staiger)

“Title I, School Finances, and Student Outcomes” (with Nora Gordon and Sarah Reber)

“How the War on Poverty Changed Public Education” (with Sarah Reber)

## **HONORS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS**

### **External**

National Center for Teacher Effectiveness, Supplemental Study, “Determining Why Teacher Effects ‘Fade Out’” (with Douglas Staiger, PI), \$25,933.

National Academy of Education/Spencer Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2009-11.

Spencer Foundation (PI), “The Federal Role in Equality of Educational Opportunity: Evidence from the Civil Rights Act and Title I” (with Nora Gordon and Sarah Reber), 2006-08, \$157,400.

National Science Foundation, “Local Responses to Federal Education Policy: Evidence from the Civil Rights Act and Title I” (with Nora Gordon (PI), Ethan Lewis, and Sarah Reber), 2005-07, \$220,441.

University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research (PI), “From Follower to Leader: State-Sponsored Preschools and the Well-Being of Children and Families in the American South,” 2004-05, \$18,422.

Spencer Dissertation Fellowship for Research Related to Education, 2002-03.

### **Internal**

Rockefeller-Haney Fellowship, Dartmouth College, 2009-10

Junior Faculty Fellowship, Dartmouth College, 2009-10 (declined)

Walter and Constance Burke Award, Dartmouth College, 2006-09

UC Davis Small Grant in Aid of Research, 2005-06

UC Davis Institute of Governmental Affairs Junior Faculty Research Grant, 2003-06

UC Davis Institute of Governmental Affairs Summer Seed Grant (with Marianne Page), 2004

UC Davis New Faculty Research Grant, 2003-04

UC Berkeley Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship, Spring 2002

UC Berkeley Continuing Student Fellowship, Department of Economics, Fall 2001

Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, UC Berkeley, 2000

Minnie Zeid Memorial Prize in Economics, Franklin and Marshall College, 1997

## **INVITED SEMINARS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting, Chicago (May 2012)

NBER Development of the American Economy Spring Meeting (April 2012)

Yale Law School (March 2012)

University of Miami (October 2011)

NBER Summer Institute, DAE Program (July 2011, July 2005)

Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP) Summer Research Workshop (June 2011)

NBER Education Program Spring Meeting (May 2011)

American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Denver (2x, January 2011)

NBER Summer Institute, Education Program (July 2010)  
Columbia University (April 2010)  
Stanford University, Graduate School of Education (April 2010)  
Brown University (March 2010)  
Texas A&M University (December 2009)  
Baylor University (December 2009)  
Vanderbilt University (October 2009, January 2003)  
University of Connecticut (October 2008)  
Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting, New York (May 2008)  
APPAM Fall Conference, Washington D.C. (November 2007)  
Ohio State University (November 2007)  
University of Florida (September 2007)  
Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (July 2007)  
Harvard University (April 2007)  
Wellesley College (February 2007)  
American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Chicago (January 2007)  
Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago (May 2006)  
American Education Research Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco (April 2006)  
University of California Davis (April 2006, November 2005, February 2003)  
Dartmouth College (January 2006)  
Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia (January 2006)  
University of British Columbia (November 2005)  
University of California Riverside (October 2005)  
Western Economic Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco (July 2005)  
Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting, San Francisco (June 2005)  
University of California Davis, *Education, Diversity and Public Policy* Conference (May 2005)  
University of Kentucky, Second Annual UKCPR Small Grants Conference (April 2005)  
University of California San Diego (April 2005)  
University of Michigan (April 2005)  
American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia (January 2005)  
University of Maryland, Population Research Center (December 2004)  
Social Science History Association Annual Meeting, Chicago (November 2004)  
University of California Santa Cruz (November 2004, January 2003)  
NBER Summer Institute, Children's Program (August 2004)  
Western Economics Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver (July 2004)  
Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting, San Antonio (May 2004)  
University of Chicago, Harris School, *Implications of No Child Left Behind* Conference (Apr 2004)  
RAND Corporation (February 2003)  
McMaster University (February 2003)  
Williams College (February 2003)  
Clemson University (January 2003)  
Southern Methodist University (January 2003)  
University of California Berkeley (November 2002)

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS AND SERVICE**

National Bureau of Economic Research (Cambridge, Massachusetts)  
Faculty Research Fellow, November 2004 to present  
Program Affiliations: Children, Development of the American Economy, Education

Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA) (Bonn, Germany)  
Research Fellow, July 2005 to present  
Research Affiliate, July 2003 to June 2005

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco (San Francisco, California)  
Visiting Scholar, July 2007 to June 2009

Member: American Economic Association, Society of Labor Economists

Referee: *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review, Berkeley Electronic Journals in Economic Analysis and Policy, Canadian Journal of Economics, Developmental Psychology, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economics of Education Review, Education Policy Analysis Archives, European Economic Review, Industrial and Labor Relations Review, International Migration, Journal of Economic History, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, Labour Economics, the National Science Foundation, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, the Russell Sage Foundation, Scandinavian Journal of Economics*

External reviewer: Spencer Dissertation Fellowships Program

Discussant: American Economic Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco (January 2009)  
NBER Conference on American Universities in a Global Market (October 2008)  
Harris School of Public Policy Conference on Gender and Education (April 2007)  
NBER Conference on Disadvantaged Youth (April 2007)  
National Tax Association Annual Conference, Boston (November 2006)  
Economic History Association Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh (September 2006) Federal Reserve System Applied Micro Conference, San Francisco (June 2005) Western Economic Association Annual Meeting, San Francisco (July 2005)  
Western Economic Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver (July 2004)  
Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting, San Antonio (May 2004)

Organizer: Sessions at American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Philadelphia (January 2005) and Western Economic Association Annual Meeting, Vancouver (July 2004)

May 2012