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SUMMARY

I'm an economist conducting research that concretely informs budget and public policy decisions. My areas of focus include public health, social insurance, education, public safety and justice. I bring real world public policy insights into the classroom, preparing students for the growing demands of open science in government.

EDUCATION

- Ph.D. ECONOMICS** August 2015
The George Washington University, Washington DC
The Role of Ordinal Data in Economics (Thesis Advisor: James E. Foster)
- M.A. ECONOMICS** January 2012
The George Washington University, Washington DC
- B.Sc. STATISTICS AND ECONOMICS** June 2007
University of London, Birkbeck College, London, UK
First Class Honors

WORK EXPERIENCE

- ASSISTANT RESEARCH PROFESSOR** December 2015 – Present
GW Institute of Public Policy (GWIPP)
The George Washington University, Washington DC
- Conduct full-time research as Senior Social Scientist at The Lab @ DC, <https://thelab.dc.gov/>
 - Co-directed DC Policy Labs, <http://www.dcpolicylabs.org/>
 - Spearhead the design, implementation, and rigorous analysis for projects in education, public safety and justice, homelessness, health and human services
 - Lead strategic management through utilizing relationship and trust building
 - Lead The Lab @ DC's Innovation Fund
 - Lead and establish open science practices in the private sector, government, and the community
 - Advance the use of research findings to inform policy and budget decision points
 - Lead privacy and security compliance for sensitive data use agreements
 - Translate the scientific method into real-world plain language
- SENIOR RESEARCH ASSOCIATE** August 2014 – August 2015
Institute for International Economic Policy (IIEP)
The George Washington University, Washington DC
- Co-founded the Washington Area Development Economics Symposium, WADES
 - Conducted research to inform IIEP recommendations for the Sustainable Development Goals
- CONSULTANT** January 2012 – June 2013
The World Bank Group, Washington DC
- Conducted randomized evaluation
 - Developed and applied measurement methods for use with qualitative and ordinal data
- RESEARCH ASSISTANT** Summer 2008
The Institute of Microfinance, Dhaka, Bangladesh
- Conducted research on microfinance and microenterprises

TEACHING

LECTURER IN ECONOMICS

Falls 2016, 2014, and 2012, Summers 2010 and 2011

The George Washington University, Washington DC

- Taught intermediate and graduate econometrics and development economics courses
- Designed syllabus, term papers and exams, held office hours, assigned final grades, and advised undergraduate theses
- Taught principles of microeconomics for incoming international affairs M.A. students

MATH-CAMP CO-FOUNDER and INSTRUCTOR

Summer 2012

The George Washington University, Washington DC

- Co-founded, designed, and taught GW's summer math-camp for incoming economics Ph.D. students

GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT IN ECONOMICS

September 2007 – December 2011

The George Washington University, Washington DC

- 4 semesters in graduate Ph.D. econometrics, 5 semesters in undergraduate microeconomics and macroeconomics
- Taught weekly TA classes, graded assignments and exams, and held office hours

AWARDS

Certification at the Gold Level, Bloomberg Philanthropies

April 2019

Awarded to Washington DC for “using its nationally recognized Lab @ DC to improve service delivery on a number of critical programs” featuring my research on reducing 911 misuse:

<https://mayor.dc.gov/release/washington-dc-recognized-bloomberg-philanthropies-use-data-improve-delivery-government>

2019 Public Impact Award by the Consortium of Social Science Associations

April 2019

Awarded to The Lab @ DC for “showing how social and behavioral science insights can markedly improve lives and increase government efficiency and has served as a model for states and localities” featuring my research on homelessness: <https://www.cossa.org/advocacy/awards/>

Philip M. Dearborn Fellowship Award

May 2013

The Economic Club, Washington DC

Graduate Fellowship in Economics

September 2007– June 2012

The George Washington University, Washington DC

The John W. Kendrick Graduate Fellowship in Economics

September 2007 – June 2008

The George Washington University, Washington DC

Prize for Outstanding Performance in the Final Year

June 2007

Institute of Mathematics and its Applications, UK

SKILLS and ADDITIONAL EDUCATION

Computer languages: R, Stata, Python.

Human languages: Native speaker of both English and Greek

Bachelor in Music (BMus) with piano concentration

January 2003

Hallecker Conservatory, Athens, Greece

First Class with Distinction, Unanimous Vote by the Music Committee of the Greek Ministry of Culture

RESEARCH, PUBLICATIONS, PRESS

- *How Washington, D.C., brings science into local government* (with Jenny Reed and Sam Quinney), an interview with Bloomberg Cities, October 2019
<https://medium.com/@BloombergCities/how-washington-d-c-brings-science-into-local-government-a37a8137c136>
- *Decisions, Decisions: How Evidence and Values are Informing DC Governance*, The Lab @ DC blog post, September 2019, <http://thelabprojects.dc.gov/blog-decide>, also featured in *The Podcast @ DC*: <https://soundcloud.com/user-768286365>
- *A Randomized Evaluation of DC's 911 Nurse Triage Program* (with Robert Holman, Kevin Wilson, and David Yokum)
Open Science Registration: <https://osf.io/kxgmy>
Plain Language Description: <http://thelabprojects.dc.gov/911-nurse-triage-line>

Washington, DC Pilots 911 Nurse Triage Line to Increase Quality of Care, Results for America Case Study, December 2018, <https://results4america.org/tools/case-study-washington-dc/>

Nurses in DC's 911 Call Center are Helping Cut Some Unnecessary Ambulance Runs but Not Most, Washington Post, September 2018, https://www.washingtonpost.com/local/public-safety/nurses-in-dcs-911-center-are-helping-cut-some-unnecessary-ambulance-runs-but-not-most/2018/09/23/72b4e388-b3dd-11e8-aed9-001309990777_story.html

Washington, D.C. Finds Trick to Cut A&E Pressure Hidden in 911 Call Data, Apolitical, August 2017, https://apolitical.co/solution_article/washington-d-c-finds-trick-cut-ae-pressure-hidden-911-call-data/
- *Evaluating School Transportation Subsidies for Families in Emergency Shelter* (with Nellie Moore and Nat Mammo)
Open Science Registration: <https://osf.io/fybiz/>
Plain Language Description: <http://thelabprojects.dc.gov/every-ride-counts>
- *Can Technology for Positive Parent Engagement Improve Attendance?* (with Katie Gan and Rebecca Johnson)
Open Science Registration: Expected in November 2019
Plain Language Description: <http://thelabprojects.dc.gov/parent-engagement>
- *How do the District's Employment Services Support People Experiencing homelessness?* (with Nami Mody and Nat Mammo)
Open Science Registration: <https://osf.io/upb43/>
Plain Language Description: <http://thelabprojects.dc.gov/employment-analysis>
- *Can Encouragement to Settle debt Improve Employment and Recidivism?* (with Jenn Doleac and David Yokum)
Open Science Registration: <https://osf.io/qc8sx/>
Plain Language Description: <http://thelabprojects.dc.gov/pathways-initiative>
- *Which Reminders Reduce Failure to Appear in Court?* (with Don Braman)
Open Science Registration: <https://osf.io/gt9nh/>
Plain Language Description: <http://thelabprojects.dc.gov/court-reminders>
- *Poverty Measurement with Ordinal Data* (with Chris Bennett), Institute for International Economic Policy Working Paper No 2011-14, September 2011, http://www.gwu.edu/~iiep/assets/docs/papers/Hatzimasoura_IIEPWP2011-14.pdf
- *Productive Transfers and Women's Bargaining Empowerment: Evidence from a Randomized Trial in Nicaragua* (with Renos Vakis and Patrick Premand), World Bank Working Paper, September 2016