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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2005 – Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Harvard University
2006 – 2007 Visiting Member, Institute for Advanced Study, Princeton, NJ
2006 – 2007 Visiting Faculty, Center for Health and Wellbeing, Princeton University
2003 – 2004 Post-doctoral Research Fellow, RWJ Scholars in Health Policy Research, Harvard
2004 Visitor, Department of Economics, Yale University
2004 – Faculty Research Fellow (Labor), National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Affiliated Researcher, Bureau for Research in Economic Analysis of Development (BREAD)
Member, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), MIT
Affiliated Researcher, Group for Development Analysis (GRADE), Lima, Peru
Research Affiliate, Centre for Economic Policy Research (CEPR)
Faculty Research Affiliate, Center for Microfinance, Chennai (CMF)

EDUCATION

2003 Ph.D Department of Economics, Princeton University
2000 MA Department of Economics, Princeton University
1996 BA Economics and Latin American Studies, Vassar College

FIELDS OF INTEREST: Development Economics, Labor Economics, Economic Demography, Health

PAPERS

- “Property Rights, Community Public Goods and Household Time Allocation in Urban Squatter Communities.”
William and Mary Law Review, February 2004, 45(3): 837-887.
- “Property Rights and Investment in Urban Slums.” *Journal of the European Economic Association Papers and Proceedings*, April-May 2005, 3(2-3).
- “Entitled to Work: Urban Tenure Security and Labor Supply in Peru.” *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, November 2007, 4(122): 1561-1602.
- “Impact Evaluation for Slum Upgrading Interventions.” (with Michael Kremer, original version: June 2005), *Doing Impact Evaluation Series #3*, World Bank, July 2006.
- “Educational Debt Burden and Career Choice: Evidence from a Financial Aid Experiment.” NBER Working Paper #12282, May 2006. Forthcoming, *American Economic Journal – Applied Economics*.
- “Early Marriage and Female Education in Bangladesh” (with Attila Ambrus, June 2005). Under revision, *Journal of Political Economy*.
- “Repayment Frequency and default in micro-finance: Evidence from India” (with Rohini Pande), Forthcoming, *Journal of European Economic Association Papers and Proceedings*
- “Segregation, Rent Control and Riots: The Economics of Religious Conflicts in an Indian City” (with Rohini Pande and Sujata Visaria), Forthcoming, *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings*.
- “Globalization, Poverty and Crop Choice in Rural Peru” (with Alfred Field, August 2006). WIDER Research Paper No. 2007/72 (ISSN: 1810-2611).

PAPERS (CONTINUED)

- “Do Property Titles Increase Credit Access among the Urban Poor?” (with Maximo Torero, January 2004). Working paper, Harvard University. Under review.
- “Fertility Responses to Urban Land Titling Programs: The Roles of Ownership Security and the Distribution of Household Assets” (October 2003). Working paper, Harvard University. Under review.
- “Iodine Deficiency and Schooling Attainment in Tanzania” (with Omar Robles and Maximo Torero, September 2006). Working paper, Harvard University. Under review.
- “Are There Upward Intergenerational Education Spillovers? The Influence of Children’s Schooling on Parents’ Smoking Cessation” (June 2005). Working paper, Harvard University.
- “Muslim family law, prenuptial agreements and the emergence of dowry in Bangladesh” (with Attila Ambrus and Maximo Torero, August 2007). Working paper, Harvard University.
- “Gender, Household Bargaining, and the Demand for Children” (with Nava Ashraf and Jean Lee, August 2007). Working paper, Harvard University.

BOOK CHAPTERS

- “Diferencias en el acceso de las mujeres al microcrédito en el Perú e impacto de la tenencia del título de propiedad” (with Maximo Torero), in Gender, Poverty and Micro-credit, CIES, Lima, Peru, 2004.

ONGOING RESEARCH

- “Spousal Control and Excess Fertility: An Experimental Study of Concealable Contraceptives in Zambia” (with Nava Ashraf and Jean Lee)
- “Health Effects of Stress” (with David Cutler and Karen Grepín)
- “Adolescent Empowerment and Early Marriage in Rural Bangladesh” (with Rachel Glennerster)
- “Poverty Effects of Residential Segregation in Gujarat” (with Rohini Pande and Sujata Visaria)
- “Contract Design and Investment Behavior of Micro-credit Clients” (with Rohini Pande)
- “Long-run Impact of an Urban Housing Resettlement Program in India” (with Rohini Pande and Sharon Barnhardt)
- “The Causes and Consequences of Consanguineous Marriage” (with Seema Jayachandran, Alan Bittles and Mohammed Al Shafae)
- “Race and Student Achievement in Post-Apartheid South Africa” (with Patrick Nolen)
- “Financial Literacy and Entrepreneurial Investment” (with Seema Jayachandran and Rohini Pande)
- “Can Micro-credit Reduce Poverty in Urban India? SEWA Ten Years Later” (with Daniel Fetter and Rohini Pande)
- “Roads and Rural Development in Malawi” (with Rebecca Thornton)
- “The Impact of Health Insurance on Health Outcomes and Behavior in Nicaragua” (with Rebecca Thornton, Barbara Magnoni, and Martha Gonzalez)
- “The Baby Boom and the Revolution in Childbirth” (with Daron Acemoglu, Amy Finklestein, and Heidi Williams)

RESEARCH GRANTS

- 2008-2010 National Science Foundation SES Grant, #0752792 (with Rohini Pande)
- 2008-2010 Weatherhead Initiative in International Affairs Project Grant (with Rohini Pande)
- 2008-2009 Real Estate Academic Initiative Faculty Grant, Harvard University (with Rohini Pande)
- 2007-2008 Faculty Research Development Grant, Islamic Legal Studies Program, Harvard University
- 2007-2008 National Science Foundation Small Grant for Exploratory Research, #0725075 (with Nava Ashraf)
- 2005-2008 Warburg Faculty Grant, Harvard University
- 2007 Faculty Grant for Research, Middle East Initiative, Harvard KSG
- 2006-2007 Research Grant for Semester Leave of Absence, Harvard Weatherhead Center for International Affairs
- 2005-2007 National Science Foundation SES Grant (#0519260)
- 2005-2006 Junior Faculty Development Grant, Harvard Academy for International and Area Studies
- 2005-2006 Center for International Development Faculty Grant, Harvard University
- 2004-2005 Milton Fund, Harvard University

RESEARCH GRANTS (CONTINUED)

2004-2005	Faculty Research Grant, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University
2004-2005	Faculty Research Grant, Rockefeller Center for Latin American Studies, Harvard University
2004	Rural Titling Project (with Maximo Torero), Inter-American Development Bank
2002	Research Network on Gender, Poverty and Micro-credit, CIES, Lima (auspices: Ford Foundation)
2000	Mellon Foundation Research Travel Award

HONORS AND AWARDS

2007	Albert Rees Prize for Outstanding Ph.D. Dissertation in Labor Economics
2001-2003	Fellowship of Woodrow Wilson Scholars
1998-2001	Princeton University Fellowship
1998	Susan K. Welles Alumni Graduate School Fellowship, Vassar College
1998	Finalist, National Science Foundation
1996	J. William Fulbright Fellow, U.S.-Peruvian Fulbright Committee
1996	Anne C. Hutchinson Thesis Prize in Economics
1994	Finalist, Harry S. Truman Scholarship for Public Service

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

“Entitled to Work: Urban Tenure Security and Labor Supply in Peru”

Group for Development Analysis (GRADE) Workshop, Lima, Peru, August 2002
New York University School of Law, Colloquium on Law and Economics, October 2002
University of North Carolina, International Economics Workshop, November 2002
Washington and Lee University, Capstone Course Lecture, January 2003
Harvard University, January 2003
Yale University, January 2003
University of California – San Diego, IRPS, January 2003
University of California – Berkeley, January 2003
Northwestern University, January 2003
Columbia University, January 2003
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, January 2003
University of California – Los Angeles, February 2003
University of California – San Diego, February 2003
William and Mary Law School, Conference on Property Rights and Development, February 2003
World Bank Development Research Group, March 2003
London School of Economics and University College of London, Development Workshop, October 2003
Universidad Pompeu Fabra, Barcelona, Labor Economics Workshop, October 2003
University of Maryland – College Park, Applied Microeconomics Workshop, March 2004
Dartmouth University, Applied Microeconomics Workshop, April 2004
Boston University, Development Workshop, May 2004

“Property Rights and Investment in Urban Slums”

European Economics Association Meetings, Madrid, August 2004

“Educational Debt Burden and Career Choice: Evidence from a Financial Aid Experiment”

Stanford Business School, May 2003
Harvard University Labor Economics Workshop, November 2003
MIT Labor/Development Workshop, March 2004
Cornell/LSE Conference on Behavioral, Public and Development Economics, May 2004
APPAM, Washington DC, November 2007
American Economics Association Annual Meetings, New Orleans, January 2008

“Do Property Titles Increase Credit Access among the Urban Poor? Evidence from Peru”

Latin American and Caribbean Economics Association Meetings, October 2003
American Economics Association Annual Meetings, San Diego, January 2004

“Property Rights, Community Public Goods and Household Time Allocation in Urban Squatter Communities”

Beyond the Washington Consensus: New Directions for Development Strategy, UCSD, November 2003
Urban Research Symposium, World Bank, December 2003
Davidson College Economics Senior Session, April 2004

INVITED PRESENTATIONS (CONTINUED)

“Fertility and the Gender Distribution of Household Assets”

IUSSP Seminar on Poverty, Programs and Demographic Outcomes, Mexico City, November 2003

“Consequences of Early Marriage for Women in Bangladesh”

Harvard University Summer Workshop, July 2004

University of Michigan, Applied Microeconomics Workshop, September 2004

Princeton University, Development Economics Workshop, November 2004

New York University, Development Economics Workshop, November 2004

Brown University, Applied Microeconomics Workshop, December 2004

Vassar College, Applied Microeconomics Workshop, April 2005

American Economic Association Meetings, January 2006

“Impact Evaluation for Slum Upgrading Interventions”

World Bank, July 2006

“Are There Upward Intergenerational Education Spillovers on Health?”

Robert Wood Johnson Scholars in Health Policy Research Annual Meeting, May 2004

Southern Economics Association Annual Meetings, November 2004

Brown University, Population Studies and Training Center Workshop, December 2004

Michigan State University, Applied Microeconomics Workshop, April 2005

Wharton School of Business, Policy Studies Applied Microeconomics Workshop, April 2005

Cornell University, Industrial and Labor Relations Workshop, April 2004

“Iodine Deficiency and Schooling Attainment in Tanzania”

SITE Health and Development Conference, Stanford University, June 2006

University of Michigan, Applied Microeconomics Workshop, September 2006

Princeton University, Development Economics Workshop, November 2006

CEPR/BREAD Workshop, Stockholm, March 2007

University of California, Riverside, Development of Economics Workshop, April 2007

Columbia University, Development Economics Workshop, March 2007

Yale University, Development Economics Workshop, April 2007

BREAD Workshop, Princeton University, April 2007

Mathematica Policy Research Center, June 2007

New York University, International Economics Workshop, December 2007

“Globalization, Poverty and Crop Choice in Rural Peru, 1994-2004”

UNU-WIDER Conference on Poverty and Globalization in Latin America, September 2006

“Muslim family law, prenuptial agreements and the emergence of dowry in Bangladesh”

Institute for Advanced Study, School of Social Sciences Seminar, April 2007

Duke University, Development Economics Workshop, November 2007

Harvard University, Law, Economics and Organization Workshop, February 2008

Yale School of Law, Law and Economics Workshop, February 2008

“Contract Design and Group Dynamics of Micro-credit Clients”

Invited Presentation, European Economic Association Meetings, Budapest, August 2007

“Segregation, Rent Control and Riots: The Economics of Religious Conflicts in an Indian City”

CSWEP Panel, American Economic Association Meetings, January 2008

INVITED DISCUSSANT

American Economic Association Meeting, January 2008

Harvard Academy Conference on Property Rights and Development, September 2007

UNU-WIDER Conference on Poverty and Globalization in Latin America, September 2006

American Economic Association Meeting, January 2006

American Economic Association Meeting, January 2005

First International Conference on Advances in Economic Research, Universidad de Navarra, October 2003

Latin American and Caribbean Economics Association Meetings, October 2003

Conference on Credit Markets and the Poor, Princeton University, May 2003

William and Mary Law School, Conference on Property Rights and Development, February 2003

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

American Economics Association, Latin American and Caribbean Economics Association, International Union for the Scientific Study of Population, Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics

REVIEWER

American Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of Political Economy, National Science Foundation, Economic Journal, Journal of the European Economic Association, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Development Economics, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Journal of Labor Economics, Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Health Economics, Management Science, Rationality and Society, International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI) Research Report, American Economic Journal, Journal of Economic Literature

CONSULTING

Abt, Associates (Impact evaluation of national health insurance pilot in Nicaragua)
World Bank (Survey Design, impact evaluation of urban transport upgrading in Accra)
US Agency for International Development (rural titling impact evaluation in Peru)
National Property Institute, Republic of Honduras (titling program impact evaluation design)

PRESS

“The Mystery of Capital Deepens.” *Economist*, August 24, 2006
“Forgive Us Our Student Debts.” *New York Times Magazine*, June 11, 2006
“Informal Enterprise in Urban Peru.” *Development Outreach Magazine*, World Bank Institute, March 2005
“Land Titles Give Poor a Chance to Advance.” *Miami Herald*, April 4, 2004
“Study Looks at Squatters and Land Titles in Peru.” *New York Times*, January 9, 2003

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