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## **EDUCATION**

B.A., Dartmouth College, 1994; M.A., Yale University, 1996; M.A., Harvard University, 2003 and Ph.D., Harvard University, Political Economy and Government, 2006.

## **CURRENT POSITIONS**

*Full Professor*, University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Public Policy and American Indian Studies, 2024-current.

*Chair*, University of California, Los Angeles, American Indian Studies Interdepartmental Program and Department, 2020-2022; 2023-2025.

*Senior Advisor to Chief Scientist*, Research and Methodology Division, US Census Bureau, 2023-2025.

*Co-Editor*, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, 2022-current.

## **PRIOR POSITIONS**

*Senior Economist*, Council of Economic Advisers, Executive Office of the President, 2022-2023

*Rubenstein Fellow*, Brookings Institution, Economic Studies, Washington, DC, 2017-2019.

*Editor in Chief*, American Indian Culture and Research Journal, University of California, Los Angeles, 2019-2022.

*Associate Professor*, University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Public Policy, 2019-2024.

*Assistant Professor*, University of California, Los Angeles, Department of Public Policy, 2013-2018.

*Assistant Professor*, Tufts University, Department of Economics, 2009-2012.

*Visiting Fellow*, Center for Labor Economics, University of California, Berkeley, September 2011-June 2012.

*Visiting Fellow*, Center for Global Development, June 2011-September 2011.

*Research Associate*, Institute for the Study of Labor, Bonn, Germany, 2006-2009.

## **AFFILIATIONS**

*Research Associate*, National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), 2018-Current.

*Member*, NBER Children's Steering Committee, 2024-2026.

*Non-Resident Fellow*, Brookings Institution, 2019-Current.

*Advisory Committee Member*, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL) Racial Equity Advisory Committee, 2023

*Research Affiliate*, Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP), University of Wisconsin, 2022-Current.

*Advisory Committee Member*, National Research Center on Poverty and Economic Mobility, Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP), University of Wisconsin, 2022.

*Advisory Committee Member*, Emerging Poverty Scholars Fellowship, Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP), University of Wisconsin, 2022.

*Member*, National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine, Committee on Population (CPOP), 2023-2026.

*Council Member*, Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan, 2022-2026.

*Co-founder and President*, Association for Economic Research of Indigenous Peoples (AERIP), 2020-2024. *Admitted to Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA) January 2024.*

*Trustee*, The Association for Social Economics, 2023-2027.

*Editorial Board Member*, American Economics Journal: Economic Policy, 2024-current

*Editorial Board Member*, Journal of Economic Literature, 2022-current

*Editorial Board Member*, Journal of Economics, Race and Policy, 2020-current.

*Research Associate*, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Center for Indian Country Development, 2020-2022.

*Appointed Committee Member*, U.S. Census Bureau National Advisory Committee on Racial, Ethnic, and Other Populations (2013-2019)

*Faculty Affiliate*, UCLA Center for the Study of Racism, Social Justice & Health.

*Research Fellow*, Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development.

*Research Fellow*, Institute for the Study of Labor (IZA).

*Faculty Fellow*, California Center for Population Research (CCPR), UCLA.

## **RESEARCH UNDER REVIEW**

“Earnings Inequality and Immobility for Hispanics and Asians: An Examination of Variation Across Subgroups.” (with Sonya R. Porter and Emilia Simeonova) *invited submission for NBER-CRIW Book on Race, Ethnicity and Economic Statistics for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.*

“Pre-K Schooling and Adult Outcomes: Evidence from Lottery Admissions.” (with Leah Clark)

“Place-Based Economic Development and Long-Run Firm Employment and Sales: Evidence from American Indian Reservations.” (with Joseph Aguilar-Bohorquez and Elton Mykerezi)

## **PUBLICATIONS**

1. “Disparities in Infectious Disease-Related Health Care Utilization between American Indian and Alaskan Native and Non-Hispanic White Medicaid Enrollees – Lessons from the First Sixteen Months of COVID-19 and a Decade of Flu Seasons.” (with Scarlett Sijia Wang, Emilia Simeonova and Sherry Glied) *forthcoming in Health Services Research.*
2. “Tribal Casinos and Identifying Who Moves to Opportunity.” (with Maggie R. Jones and Emilia Simeonova) *AER P&P* 2024, 114: 435–441.
3. “Native American ‘Deaths of Despair’ and Economic Conditions.” (with Donn L. Feir, Marina M. Gorzig, Samuel Myers Jr.) *Research in Social Stratification and Mobility* 89 (2024): 100880.
2. “Return Migration Decisions and Declining Earnings: Immigrants in Linked Survey and Administrative Data.” (with Maggie R. Jones) *forthcoming at Journal of Human Resources.*
3. “The Effect of Foreign and Domestic Graduate Degrees on the Earnings of Immigrants to the U.S.” (with Maggie R. Jones) *International Migration Review* (2023): 01979183231208427

4. "Child Mental Health, Family Circumstance, and Long-Term Success: The Effect of Household Income." (with E. Simeonova and William Copeland) *Journal of Human Resources* 59, no. S (2024): S77-S107.
5. "Replacing Medicaid with an Imperfect Substitute: Implications for Health Inequality." (with Teresa Molina and Timothy Halliday) Russell Sage Foundation, RSF Journal issue on "Symposium on Administrative Burdens, 2023.
6. "Data Equity in American Indian/Alaska Native Populations: Respecting Sovereign Nations' Right to Meaningful and Usable COVID-19 Data." (with Vickie M. Mays, Abigail Echo-Hawk, Susan D. Cochran) *American Journal of Public Health*, 2022, 112, 1416-1420.
7. "Indigenous Peoples' Earnings, Inequality, and Well-Being: Known and Unknown Components." The Oxford Handbook of Indigenous Sociology, Edited by Maggie Walter, Tahu Kukutai, Angela A. Gonzales, and Robert Henry Subject: Sociology, Race and Ethnicity, Social Theory Online Publication Date: Jan 2022 DOI: 10.1093/oxfordhb/9780197528778.013.17
8. "Native American Age at Death in the United States." (with Gorzig, Marina Mileo and D. L. Feir, Samuel Myers Jr., Marium Navid, Kai Tiede, Olivia Matzke) *Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy*, 2022, pp.1-16.
9. "Adequacy of Existing Surveillance Systems to Monitor Racism, Social Stigma and COVID Inequities: A Detailed Assessment and Recommendations." (with Ford,C.L.;Amani,B.; Harawa, N.T.; Gee, G.C.; Sarrafzadeh, M.; Abotsi-Kowu, C.; Fazeli, S.; Le, C.; Nwankwo, E.; et al.) *Int. J. Environ. Res. Public Health* 2021, 18, 13099. <https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph182413099>
10. "The Great Recession and Economic Outcomes for Indigenous Peoples in the United States." In "What has happened to the American Working Class since the Great Recession?", The ANNALS of the American Academy of Political and Social Science, Volume #695, May 2021.
11. "Identifying Disparities in Health Outcomes and Mortality for American Indian and Alaska Native Populations Using Tribally Disaggregated Vital Statistics and Health Survey Data." (with Small-Rodriguez, Desi) *American Journal of Public Health* 111, no. S2 (2021): S126-S132.
12. "Indigenous Peoples' Data During COVID-19: From External to Internal," (with Stephanie Russo Carroll, Pyrou Chung, Donna Cormack, Tahu Kukutai, Raymond Lovett, Michele Suina, Robyn Rowe) *Frontiers in Sociology* 6 (2021): 62.
13. "Stolen Lands and Stolen Opportunities." *Native American and Indigenous Studies* 8, no. 1 (2021): 123-128.
14. "Gaming Opportunities: American Indian Casinos, Cash Transfers, and Income Mobility on the Reservation," (with M. Jones and E. Simeonova) *AEA Papers and Proceedings*, vol. 111, pp. 221-26. 2021.
15. "Pandemic Protocols, Native Nutrition: Grocery-Store Access from American Indian Reservations During COVID-19," (with L. Quintero and E. Simeonova) *AEA Papers and Proceedings*, vol. 111, pp. 602-06. 2021.
16. "The Impact of Medicaid on Medical Utilization in a Vulnerable Population: Evidence from COFA Migrants." (with T. Halliday) *Health Economics*, 2020, Volume 29, pp. 1231-1250.
17. "American Indian Reservations and COVID-19: Correlates of Early Infection Rates in the Pandemic." (with D. Rodriguez-Lonebear, N. E. Barceló, S. R. Carroll) *Journal of Public Health Management and Practice*, Volume 26, No. 4, July/August 2020.

18. "The Mortality Effects of Reduced Medicaid Coverage among International Migrants in Hawai'i (2012-2018)." (with T. Halliday, T. Molina, T. Sentell, B. Horiuchi and A. Onaka) *American Journal of Public Health*, 2020, 110(8), 1205-1207.
19. "Gender Ratios on First Nations Reserves in Canada." (with D. Feir) *Canadian Studies in Population*, April 2020.
20. "The EITC and Linking Data to Examine Multi-Generational Effects," (with E. Simeonova and M. Jones) in Measuring and Understanding the Distribution and Intra/Inter-Generational Mobility of Income and Wealth, edited by Raj Chetty, John N. Friedman, Janet C. Gornick, Barry Johnson, and Arthur Kennickell, University of Chicago Press, 2020.
21. "Hispanic and Asian Earnings Inequality and the Role of Labor Market Entrants and Immigrants" (with E. Simeonova, M. Jones and S. Porter) *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings*, Volume 110, May 2020, pp. 442-446.
22. "Human Capital and Voting Behavior Across Generations: Evidence from an Income Intervention" (with J. Holbein, E. Simeonova, W. Copeland) *American Political Science Review*, 2020, Volume 114, No. 2, pp. 609-616.
23. "Opportunities to Diversify: Reservation Workplaces and Job Numbers Compared to Nearby County Areas," 2019 (with Elton Mykerezi and Richard Todd) in Creating private sector economies in Native America: Sustainable development through entrepreneurship, edited by Miller, R. J., Jorgensen, M., & Stewart, D., Cambridge University Press.
24. "Land Titles and Dispossession: Allotment on American Indian Reservations" 2019. *Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy*, 1-21.
25. "Race Matters: Income Shares, Income Inequality, and Income Mobility for All U.S. Races" (with M. Jones and S. Porter), 2019. *Demography*, 56(3), 999-1021.
26. "Unintended Consequences of China's New Labor Contract Law on Unemployment and Welfare Loss of the Workers" with (Zhao, Liqui and Zhao, Zhong), 2019, *China Economic Review*, 53, 87-105.
27. "From Gaming to Justice? A Note on the Effect of American Indian Casinos on Tribal Judicial Systems," (with Dimitrova-Grajzl, V. and Grajzl, P. and Todd, R.) 2019, *Native American and Indigenous Studies*, 6(1), 32-42.
28. "First People Lost: Determining the State of Status First Nations Mortality in Canada using Administrative Data," (with D. Feir) 2019, *Canadian Journal of Economics/Revue canadienne d'économique*, 52(2), 490-525.
29. "Estimating Institutionalization and Homelessness for Status First Nations in Canada: A Method and Implications," 2018. (with Donna Feir) *International Indigenous Policy Journal*, October, 9(4): Article 2.
30. "Socioeconomic Outcomes for Indigenous Students attending a High Performing School" 2018. *Journal of American Indian Education*, 57.2: 58-85
31. "How Does Household Income Affect Child Personality Traits and Behaviors?" 2018. (with E. Simeonova, J. Costello, and B. Copeland) *American Economic Review*, 108(3), 775-827.
32. "The Role of Race, Ethnicity and Tribal Enrollment on Asset Accumulation: An Examination of American Indian Tribal Nations" 2017. (with S.K. Stockly, W. Darity, Jr., D. Hamilton, and P. Ong), *Ethnic and Racial Studies*, 40(11): 1939-1960.
33. "Critical Junctures and Economic Development—Evidence from the Adoption of Constitutions Among American Indian Nations." (with Miriam Jorgensen and Uwe Sunde), *Journal of Comparative Economics*, 43:4 (November 2015): 844-861.

34. “The Indian Gaming Regulatory Act and Its Effects on American Indian Economic Development” (with K. Spilde and J. Taylor), *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 29:3 (Summer 2015): 185-208.
35. “Social and Economic Changes on American Indian Reservations in California: an Examination of Twenty Years of Tribal Government Gaming” (with Katherine Spilde and Jonathan Taylor), *UNLV Gaming Research & Review Journal*, 18:2 (2014): 39-64.
36. “Investigating the Effects of Furloughing Public School Teachers on Juvenile Crime in Hawaii” (with T. Halliday and S. Kwak), *Economics of Education Review*, 42 (October 2014): 1-11.
37. “Property Institutions and Business Investment on American Indian Reservations” (with M. Jorgensen), *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, 46 (May 2014): 116-125.
38. “Transnational Tracking, Law Enforcement and Victim Protection: A Middleman Tracker’s Perspective” (with A. Basu, A. Bedi and N. Chau), *Journal of Law and Economics*, 57 (May 2014): 349-386.
39. “Young Adult Obesity and Household Income: Effects of Unconditional Cash Transfers.” (with E. Simeonova, J. Costello, W. Copeland, and A. Angold), *American Economics Journal: Applied Economics*, 5:2 (2013):1-28.
40. “The Persistence of Self-Employment Across Borders: New Evidence on Legal Immigrants to the United States” (with D.A. Jaeger and K. Tatsiramos), *Economics Bulletin*, 33:1 (January-March 2013): 126-137.
41. “The Decreasing Effect of Skin-Tone on Women’s Full Time Employment” (with M. Yuksel), *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, 65:2 (April 2012): 398-426.
42. “‘Counting Experience’ among the Least Counted: The Role of Cultural and Community Engagement on Educational Outcomes for American Indian, Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Students” (with T. Yazzie-Mintz), *American Indian Culture and Research Journal*, 35:3 (2011): 119-150.
43. “Errors in Self-Reported Wages: The Role of Previous Earnings Volatility and Individual Characteristics.” *Journal of Development Economics*, 96:2, (November 2011): 409-421.
44. “Ethnic Fragmentation, Conflict, Displaced Persons and Human Trafficking: An Empirical Analysis” (with A. Basu, N. Chau, and M. Khamis), in *Frontiers of Economics and Globalization: Migration and Culture*, edited by G.S. Epstein and I. Gang, Volume 8, (Bingley, UK: Emerald Group Publishing Limited, 2010): 691-716.
45. “Parents’ Incomes and Children’s Outcomes: A Quasi-Experiment with Casinos on American Indian Reservations.” (with J. Costello, W. Copeland, G. Keeler, and A. Angold), *American Economics Journal: Applied Economics*, 2:1 (January 2010): 86-115.
46. “Who Leaves? Deciphering Immigrant Self-Selection from a Developing Country” *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, 58:2 (January 2010): 323-344.
47. “Combating Trafficking in Women and Children: A Review of International and National Legislation, Coordination Failures, and Perverse Economic Incentives” (with A. Basu, A. Bedi, and N. Chau), *Journal of Human Rights and Civil Society*, 2 (Fall 2009):1-24.
48. “Checkerboards and Coase: Transactions Costs and Efficiency in Land Markets.” *Journal of Law and Economics*, 52 (May 2009): 395-410.

### **RESEARCH IN PROGRESS**

“Non Pharmaceutical Interventions and Casino Closures on Health Care Visits During Covid-19.” (with Emilia Simeonova, Luis Quintero, Elliot Charette)

“Tribal Casinos, Economic Success, and Intergenerational Mobility.” (with Maggie R. Jones and Emilia Simeonova).

“Native American Mortality using Administrative Data.” (with Emilia Simeonova)

## **OTHER PUBLICATIONS**

“Economic Development, Unearned Income and Mortality: Evidence from Tribal Casinos.” (with E. Simeonova), National Bureau of Economic Research, Retirement and Disability Research Center, Paper 22-05, February 2024. <https://www.nber.org/programs-projects/projects-and-centers/retirement-and-disability-research-center/center-papers/nb22-05>

Race, Ethnicity and Economic Statistics for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century, NBER-CRIW Volume, edited with Lawrence Katz and Mark Loewenstein, University of Chicago Press, *forthcoming*.

“The EITC and Linking Data to Examine Multi-Generational Effects,” (with E. Simeonova and M. Jones) in Measuring and Understanding the Distribution and Intra/Inter-Generational Mobility of Income and Wealth, edited by Raj Chetty, John N. Friedman, Janet C. Gornick, Barry Johnson, and Arthur Kennickell, University of Chicago Press, 2020.

“*An Updated Measure of Poverty: (Re)Drawing the Line.*” 2023. National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. 2023. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press, Committee Member. <https://doi.org/10.17226/26825>.

“*Closing the Opportunity Gap for Young Children.*” 2023. National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. 2023. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press, Committee Member. <https://nap.nationalacademies.org/catalog/26743/closing-the-opportunity-gap-for-young-children>

“*Economic Report of the President.*” 2023. Council of Economic Advisers, Washington DC. Chapter co-author on Labor Supply. <https://www.whitehouse.gov/wp-content/uploads/2023/03/ERP-2023.pdf>

“Economic Outcomes for Indigenous Peoples in the United States Following the Great Recession,” in Focus on Poverty & Classroom Supplement 38(1), March 2022 – One Recession, Disparate Recoveries: Assessing Change and Stability Following the Great Recession, Edited by James T. Spartz, Institute for Research on Poverty, March 2022. <https://www.irp.wisc.edu/resource/economic-outcomes-for-indigenous-peoples-in-the-united-states-following-the-great-recession/>

“Oil And Blood: Race, Wealth, And Violence In Tulsa, Oklahoma.” 2021 (with C. Aujean Lee, Raffi E. García, Lauren Russell, Jorge Zumaeta, William Darity, Jr.)

“Sovereignty and improved economic outcomes for American Indians: Building on the gains made since 1990.” In Sovereignty and improved economic outcomes for American Indians:

Building on the gains made since 1990, Washington Center for Equitable Growth, January 2021.  
<https://equitablegrowth.org/boosting-wages-for-u-s-workers-in-the-new-economy-book/>

“Counting Race and Ethnicity for Small Populations during the COVID-19 Pandemic.” AAPI Nexus: Policy, Practice and Community: 2020, Vol. 17, No. 1 & 2 (with Natalie Ah Soon, Marjorie Kagawa, Brittany N. Morey, Elena Ong, Paul Ong, Ninez Ponce, Raynald Samoa, and Sora P. Tanjasiri).

“Indigenous Data in the Covid-19 Pandemic: Straddling Erasure, Terrorism, and Sovereignty.” Items, Social Science Research Council Website, June 11, 2020 (with Stephanie Russo Carroll, Desi Rodriguez-Lonebear, Annita Lucchesi and Jennifer Rai Richards).  
<https://items.ssrc.org/covid-19-and-the-social-sciences/disaster-studies/indigenous-data-in-the-covid-19-pandemic-straddling-erasure-terrorism-and-sovereignty/>

“Proposal for a Fair and Feasible Formula for the Allocation of CARES Act COVID-19 Relief Funds to American Indian and Alaska Native Tribal Governments.” May 22, 2020, Policy Brief No. 3 (with Eric Henson, Joseph Kalt and Miriam Jorgensen)  
<https://ash.harvard.edu/news/harvard-project-releases-proposal-fair-distribution-response-funds-native-nations>

“Dissecting the US Treasury Department’s Round 1 Allocations of CARES Act COVID-19 Relief Funding for Tribal Governments.” May 15, 2020, Policy Brief No. 2 (with Eric Henson, Joseph Kalt and Miriam Jorgensen) <https://sites.google.com/g.harvard.edu/covid-19-resources/home>

“The Need for a Significant Allocation of COVID-19 Response Funds to American Indian Nations.” May 18, 2020, Policy Brief No. 1 (with Eric Henson, Joseph Kalt and Miriam Jorgensen) <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1yQ4PdhxBb7VFfa-SrWEWIlmJfQptOi61i/view>

National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine. *A roadmap to reducing child poverty*. National Academies Press. National Academies of Science Commissioned Paper on “Poverty and Disadvantage among Native American Children: How Common Are They and What Has Been Done to Address Them?” (with E. Simeonova), 2019.  
<https://www.nap.edu/catalog/25246/a-roadmap-to-reducing-child-poverty>

“Reservation Nonemployer and Employer Establishments: Data from U.S. Census Longitudinal Business Databases,” 2018, (with Elton Mykerezi and Richard Todd) *Working Paper No. 2018-01*, Center for Indian Country Development, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis.

“Reservation Employer Establishments: Data from U.S. Census Longitudinal Business Data Set,” 2017, (with Elton Mykerezi and Richard Todd) *Working Paper No. 2017-02*, Center for Indian Country Development, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis.

“*Access to Capital and Credit in Native Communities: A Data Review.*” (with M. Jorgensen) Tucson: Native Nations Institute, 2017.

(<https://nni.arizona.edu/publications-resources/publications/papers/accessing-capital-and-credit-native-communities-data-review>)

“American Indians on Reservations: A Databook of Socioeconomic Change from 1990 to 2010,” (with J. Taylor), 2014. <http://taylorpolicy.com/us-databook/>

Research Report for the Ministry of Overseas Indian Affairs. “Migrant Households In India: A Comparison Of The Average Migrant Household And Migrant Households With Non-Resident Accounts In Kerala, Gujarat, Maharashtra And Punjab.” A Joint Report of THE Center for Advanced Study of India, University of Pennsylvania (with D. Kapur), 2012.

Institute for the Study of Labor Prize Book. “Wages, School Quality and Employment Demand David Card and Alan Krueger” 2011. edited with Klaus Zimmermann, Oxford University Press.

“Ingenuity and Creativity – David Card and Alan Krueger.” Introduction by the Editors, edited with Klaus Zimmermann in “Wages, School Quality and Employment Demand David Card and Alan Krueger”, Oxford University Press, 2011.

Research in Labor Economics. “Child Labor and the Transition between School and Work” 2010. Vol. 31, edited with Eric Edmonds and Konstantinos Tatsiramos, Emerald Publishing.

Preface by the Editors, edited with Eric Edmonds and Konstantinos Tatsiramos in “Child Labor and the Transition between School and Work” Emerald Publishing, 2010. Vol. 31, ix-xiv.

## **BOOK REVIEW**

Hawai'i: Eight Hundred Years of Political and Economic Change. By Sumner La Croix (Chicago, University of Chicago Press, 2019), *Journal of Interdisciplinary History*, (2020): 605-607.

## **SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

**University Committee Experience.** Luskin School of Public Affairs Faculty Executive Committee, Public Policy Representative, 2023-2024. UCLA California Health Interview Survey (CHIS) Multicultural Technical Advisory Committee, 2022-2024. UCLA Office of Research and Creative Activities Research and Diversity Committee Member, 2021-2022. UCLA Public Policy Racial Justice Working Group Chair, 2021-2022. Institute of American Cultures, American Indian Studies Center, Institute of American Cultures Faculty Hiring Committee (2021-2022), American Indian Studies Center Director Review Committee (2020). American Indian Studies Center, UCLA, Awards Committee 2021. Center for the Study of Racism, Social Justice & Health's COVID Task Force on Racism and Equity, 2020. UCLA Public Policy Recruitment Committee 2020. Luskin School Racial Justice Curriculum Committee (2021). UCLA Public Policy Department Racial Justice Course Content Group (2020-2021). UC Office of the President's (UCOP) Postdoctoral Fellowship On-Site Review Committee, 2019-2020. UC Office of the President's (UCOP) Postdoctoral Fellowship Off-Site Review Committee, 2019-2020. UC Office of the President's (UCOP) Native American Advisory Councilmember for the University of California, 2019-2022. UCLA Public Policy Recruitment Committee 2017; UCLA Public Policy Academic Personnel Committee 2017; UCLA 2017 Graduate Summer Research



Mentorship (GSRM) Review Committee; Vice Provost Robin Garrell, Dean, Graduate Division. American Indian Studies Center, UCLA, Awards Committee 2017. Institute for American Cultures, UCLA, Awards Committee 2017.

**External Committee Experience.** Centers for American Indian and Alaska Native Health, University of Colorado-Anschutz Medical Campus, Community of Learning on Family Economic Wellbeing Advisor and Steering Committee Member (Summer 2023). National Academies of Sciences Engineering and Medicine, Planning Committee for Potential Study on “Understanding the Status and Well-Being of American Indians and Alaska Natives” 2022-2023. National Academies of Sciences Engineering and Medicine, Planning Committee for “Public Workshop on the Demographic and Housing Characteristics Files,” June 21-22, 2022. Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR), University of Michigan Council Member (2022-2026). University of Wisconsin-Madison, Institute for Research on Poverty Advisory Committee, 2021-2023. Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP), University of Wisconsin-Madison, National Center on Poverty and Economic Mobility Research Advisory Committee (2021-2022). Committee on National Statistics (CNSTAT) National Academy of Sciences Study on Supplemental Poverty Measure (2021-2022). American Economic Association Committee on Economic Statistics (2021-2023). 2021 National Academies of Sciences Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education Study on Exploring the Opportunity Gap for Young Children from Birth to Eight. 2021 Ford Foundation Fellowship Programs Review Committee. Lever for Change Economic Opportunity Challenge Grant Reviewer, 2020, 2023. Russell Sage Foundation Pipeline Grants Competition Reviewer, 2019-2020. Center for Equitable Growth Letter of Inquiry Reviewer, 2020. President-Elect, Association for Economic Research of Indigenous Peoples (AERIP) 2019. National Science Foundation Dissertation Reviewer. External Review Group (ERG) member for the research project sponsored by the US Department of Health and Human Services Office of the Assistant Secretary of Planning and Evaluation (DHHS/ASPE): Improving Data Capacity for American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) Populations, 2017-2018. US Indigenous Data Sovereignty Network (USIDSN) Advisory Council Board, 2016. National Asset Scorecard and Communities of Color (NASCC) project leader for Native American subgroup, Duke University July 2014. Harvard University’s Honoring Nations Evaluation Committee for Excellence in Tribal Governance, July 2014. US Census Bureau National Advisory Committee on Race, Ethnic, and Other Populations, 2013-2019. American Indian College Fund Review Committee for Mellon Research, Mellon Faculty Fellowship and Sloan STEM Fellowships. April 2012, March 2013.

**Community Service and Student Support.** 2023 American Economics Association Mentoring Program Job Market Bootcamp and Tenure-Track Mentoring Workshop, Faculty Coach. California Coalition for Women Prisoners, Data Analyst. Economists for Equity at Berkeley (BEE) Small Grant Program Reviewer, UC Berkeley Economics Department, 2021, 2023. Office of Hawaiian Affairs Panelist for “Building Hawaii’s Economic Future,” October 2020. National Congress of American Indians Webinar Speaker for “U.S. Census Bureau Tribal Consultation on Differential Privacy.” Panel on “Pursuing the Phd? Choosing a Program and Application Tips.” UCLA Panel for American Indian and Pacific Islander undergraduates. February 2015, November 2015. White House Initiative on Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and Empower Pacific Island Communities, Webinar Speaker, “Next Generation NHPI Leaders’ Dialogue on Higher Education,” April 29, 2015. Empower Pacific Island Communities (EPIC) Pacific

Islander Leaders of Tomorrow Program, University of Southern California, August 13, 2014.  
UCLA Native American and Pacific Islander Summer Intensive Transfer Experience (SITE) Program, Center for Community College Partnerships, July 2013.

**Conference and Research Event Organizing.** Freedom and Justice Conference 2023 Organizing Committee; National Bureau of Economic Research 2024 Conference on Research in Income and Wealth (CRIW) “Measurement of Race and Ethnicity” Organizing Committee; National Bureau of Economic Research One-Day Workshop, “Health and Well-Being of Native Americans and other Indigenous Populations”, November 1, 2019 (<http://conference.nber.org/sched/IPf19>). Brookings Symposium “Data Disaggregation as a Means to Improved Health Research and Policy-Making”, September 29, 2019. Brookings Symposium “The future of American Indian gaming: The next 30 years.” (<https://www.brookings.edu/events/the-future-of-american-indian-gaming-the-next-30-years/>). “Economics of Indigenous Peoples and Institutions” National Bureau of Economic Research One-Day Workshop (with E. Simeonova) November 1, 2018, Cambridge, MA (<http://conference.nber.org/sched/IPf18>). “Policy Forum: The Governance of Indigenous Data” May 18-19, 2017 UCLA.

**Referee Experience.** American Economic Review; American Economic Review: Insights; American Economics Journal: Applied Economics; American Indian Quarterly; American Journal of Public Health; Asian Americans & Pacific Islanders Policy; Berkeley Electronic Journals in Economic Analysis and Policy; Canadian Journal of Economics; Child Development; Economic Development and Cultural Change; Economic Systems; Economica, Economics and Human Biology; Economics of Education Review; European Journal of Health Economics, Industrial and Labor Relations Review; Industrial Relations; International Economic Review, International Journal of Epidemiology; Journal of American Indian Education; Journal of African Economies; Journal of Development Economics; Journal of Development Studies; Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Human Resources; Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics; Journal of International Economics; Journal of Policy Analysis and Management; Journal of Population Economics; Journal of Public Economics; Journal of Regional Science, Demography; Journal of the American Statistical Association; Labour Economics; PLOS ONE; Political Science Quarterly; Oxford Bulletin; Practice & Community; Quarterly Journal of Economics; Research in Labor Economics; Review of Economics and Statistics; Small Business Economics; Social Science & Medicine; University of Arizona Press; and World Development.

## **NEWS ARTICLES, BLOG POSTS**

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PUB PLC 203 “Microeconomics I,” UCLA Public Policy. Fall 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016.

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### **PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS**

2023. Association of Environmental and Research Economics (AERE) “Frontier in Natural Capital & Green Accounting,” Panel Member. NASEM Committee on Unequal Treatment Revisited, “Data, Measures, and Research to Advance Health Care Equity,” Panel Member. Georgetown McCourt School of Public Policy Seminar. Johns Hopkins Carey School of Business Seminar. National Bureau of Economic Research Economics of Education Conference. Bureau of Labor Statistics Speaker. US Housing and Urban Development DEI Learning Seminar Speaker. Pew Research Center Seminar. Canadian Economics Association Panel, “Making Economics More Welcoming in Canada.” EMBRACE Keynote Lecture for the 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Meetings and Canadian Economics Association EMBRACE Day Sponsored by the Bank of Canada. Canadian Economics Association Making “Economics More Welcoming in Canada” Panel Session.

2022. U.S. Department of Interior, Office of Policy Analysis Seminar, Invited Speaker. Invited Panelist, Association of Environmental and Resource Economists Conference, “Perspectives on Equity and Justice from Across Economics.” Keynote Panelist, Indigenous Political Economy Workshop 2022, Santiago, Chile. National Center for Research on Poverty and Economic Mobility Early-Career Mentoring Institute Guest Speaker, University of California, Davis. University of Washington Population Center Seminar Speaker. OECD Webinar on Income Inequality Panelist. Family Stability and Economic Mobility Research Consortium, UC Berkeley and Urban Institute. NBER Economics of Immigration, Discussant. University of Chicago Political Science Department Speaker. Harvard University PIER Seminar. National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine Committee on National Statistics Speaker for “Issues in Data Equity”.

2021. Allied Social Sciences Association, Virtual Conference. Chair and Paper, Keynote Session “Indigenous Nations Economic Development Strategies: Policies and Outcomes.” Discussant for Panel Session, “Traditional Governance among Indigenous Communities in North America.” Allied Social Sciences Association Panel Session Participant, “Gaming Opportunities: The Impact of Tribal Casinos on Economic Success and Intergenerational Mobility.” Panelist, “Measuring the Economic Consequences of Systemic Racism and Discrimination” organized by the American Economic Association Committee on Economic Statistics. UCLA Center for the Study of Racism, Social Justice, & Health Distinguished Speaker Series. Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Center for Indian Country Development, “How Are Tribal Economies Faring Amidst the COVID-19 Pandemic?” UC Davis, Center for Poverty and Inequality Research Panelist, “Race and the Transition to Adulthood Panel.” Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis Series Panelist “Racism and the Economy.” University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy Seminar Speaker. UCLA Undergraduate Education Initiatives, “COVID and Race panel.” Data Foundation Panel on “Exploring Emerging Data Capabilities in Government.” U.S. Congress House Ways and Means Committee Equity Series Panel, *Measuring What we Value: Bridging Gaps in Data and Reporting on Race and Ethnicity*. American Sociological Association Conference Panelist on “Critical Approaches to Portraying Indigenous Peoples in Social Science Research.” Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin “Tax Policy for Low-Income Americans”, Discussant. Federal Reserve

Board of Governors Survey of Consumer Finances Expert Panelist. Central Bank Network for Indigenous Inclusion, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis and Minneapolis, Speaker. White House Equitable Data Working Group Speaker. Conference on Diversity and Inclusion in Economics, Finance and Central Banking, Federal Reserve Board, Discussant. Brookings Institution, Metro Division Seminar Speaker. WT Grant Foundation Plenary Speaker, “Reducing Inequality Convening 2021 Plenary II - Anti-Poverty Policies in the Biden Administration.” Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis, Center for Indian Country Development Research Summit Keynote Speaker, “An Open Conversation On Key Research Questions That Matter For Indian Country.”

2020. Allied Social Sciences Association, San Diego, CA. Presidential Panel Session “How Can Economics Solve Its Race Problem?”; Panel Session, “Economic Opportunity and the Impact of Race and Place”; Paper Session, Economic Issues of Hispanics in the United States”; O’Neill School of Public & Environmental Affairs Indiana University Seminar; University of Wisconsin, Madison, Institute for Research on Poverty Seminar. California Native Leaders Gathering, First Nations Development Institute Presentation “Indian Gaming: Myths and Misperceptions of Native people”; Native American Finance Officers Association Meetings, Panel Speaker on Covid-19 and Economic Impacts. American Sociological Association Annual Meeting, “Controversies of Counting: Race, Citizenship, and Privacy in the Census.” Latino/a Studies Association, Executive Committee Sponsored Webinar Panelist, “Re-Racing 2020: Dismantling Systemic Inequity Together”; National Congress of American Indians, Webinar on Differential Privacy and the U.S. Census. American Public Health Association Annual Meetings, Panel Session on “US Census 2020, Political Power & Resource: Health Equity Implications of New Differential Privacy Policy, Especially for Small Populations and Census Tract Data”. APPAM Annual Conference 2020, “EITC and Intergenerational Mobility.” National Institutes of Health Rural Health Day Seminar Speaker, “Social and Economic Correlates of Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander COVID-19 rates in Hawaii and the continental US.” Academy of Arts and Sciences Meeting on Inequality, Invited Speaker. American Bar Association Panelist “Structural Racism Is Killing Us. Now What?”

2019. NBER Labor Studies Program Meeting, San Francisco; Society of Labor Economics, Washington DC; Federal Reserve System Community Development Research Conference, *Renewing the Promise of the Middle Class*; George Washington University Economics Seminar; Brookings Institution Future of the Middle Class, *Stalled or Rising?*; Dartmouth College 250<sup>th</sup> Celebration Alumni Doctoral Panel “*From Dartmouth Alum to Faculty of Color: How the Liberal Arts Help Diversify the Profession*”; Dartmouth College Economics Department Seminar; American Economic Association Summer Program Speaker Series, Michigan State University; UCLA American Indian Studies Center conference “Lighting a Path Forward: The Meaning of UC Land Grants, Public Memory, and Tovaangar”, October 15-16, 2019. National Academies of Sciences, Workshop on 2020 Census Data Products: Data Needs and Privacy Considerations, “Population Counts on American Indian Reservations and Alaska Native Villages with and without the Application of Differential Privacy”, December 11–12, 2019, Washington, DC.

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