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Nationality

Canadian Citizen, Permanent Resident United States.

Current Positions

Tufts University, Associate Professor with tenure (2006-), Department of Economics and The Fletcher School.

Harvard University, Visiting Scholar (2006-2007), Department of Economics.

Previous Positions

Columbia University, Associate Professor (2004-2006), Assistant Professor (1998-2004), Department of Economics and School of International and Public Affairs.

Harvard University, Visiting Scholar (2001), Visiting Associate Professor (2005-2006), Department of Economics.

New York University, Visiting Scholar (2005), Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service.

Princeton University, Visiting Assistant Professor (2002), Department of Economics.

University of Toronto, Assistant Professor (1997-1998), Department of Economics.

Affiliations

National Bureau of Economic Research, Faculty Research Fellow.

Fields

Applied Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Econometrics, Development Economics.

Education

Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts, A.M., 1994, Ph.D., June 1997.

Carleton University, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, B.A., Highest Honours, 1992.

Published Papers

“Insuring Consumption and Happiness Through Religious Organizations” (with Thomas DeLeire and Erzo Luttmer), National Bureau of Economic Research Working Paper No. 11576 (August 2005), forthcoming *Journal of Public Economics*.

“Financial Development and Pathways of Growth: State Branching and Deposit Insurance Laws in the United States from 1900 to 1940” (with Adriana Lleras-Muney), National Bureau of Economic Research Working Paper No. 9551 (March 2003), forthcoming *Journal of Law and Economics*.

“Child Labor, Crop Shocks, and Credit Constraints” (with Roberta Gatti and Kathleen Beegle), *Journal of Development Economics*, Volume 81 (September 2006), pp. 80-96.

“Child Labor: The Role of Income Variability and Access to Credit in a Cross Section of Countries” (with Roberta Gatti), *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, Volume 53, Number 4 (July 2005), pp. 913-932.

“Practical Propensity Score Matching,” *Journal of Econometrics*, Volume 125, Issues 1-2 (May 2005), pp. 355-364.

“Booms, Busts, and Babies’ Health” (with Adriana Lleras-Muney), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Volume 119, Number 3 (August 2004), pp. 1019-1130.

“Uninsured Motorists and Unsafe Drivers: The Role of Compulsory Insurance Regulations” (with Alma Cohen), *Journal of Law and Economics*, Volume 47, Number 2 (October 2004), pp. 357-394.

“Evaluation in Multi-Site Programs,” *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*, Volume 21, Number 1 (January 2003), pp. 1-11.

“Program Evaluation as a Decision Problem,” *Journal of Econometrics*, Volume 125, Issues 1-2 (May 2005), pp. 141-173.

“Propensity Score Matching Methods for Non-Experimental Causal Studies” (with Sadek Wahba), *Review of Economics and Statistics*, Volume 84, Number 1 (February 2002), pp. 151-161.

“Causal Effects in Non-Experimental Studies: Re-Evaluating the Evaluation of Training Programs” (with Sadek Wahba), *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, Volume 94, Number 448 (December 1999), pp. 1053-1062.

“Economic Sanctions and Econometric Policy Evaluation: A Cautionary Note,” *Journal of World Trade*, Volume 26, Number 1 (February 1992), pp. 73-84 (with Bernard Wood).

“Religion and Economic Activity in India: An Historical Perspective,” *American Journal of Economics and Sociology*, Volume 52, Number 2 (May 1993), pp. 145-154 (with Vivek Dehejia).

Pending

“When Is ATE Enough? Rules of Thumb and Decision Analysis in Evaluating Training Programs,” to appear (pending revision) in *Advances in Econometrics: Modeling and*

Evaluating Treatment Effects in Econometrics, Volume 21, D. Millimet, J. Smith, and E. Vytlacil (eds.). New York: Elsevier-Science, forthcoming 2006.

Manuscripts

“Why Should We Care About Child Labor? Child Labor and the Returns to Schooling and Experience in Vietnam” (with Roberta Gatti and Kathleen Beegle), National Bureau of Economic Research Working Paper No. 10980 (December 2004).

“Labor Regulation and the (In)efficient (Re)allocation of Resources: Using Energy Shocks to Measure Growth Opportunities” (with Raymond Fisman).

“Do Interest Rates Matter? Credit Demand in the Dhaka Slums” (with Heather Montgomery and Jonathan Morduch).

“The Role of Religion and Other Non-Profit Organizations in the Lives of Disadvantaged Youth” (with Thomas DeLeire, Erzo Luttmer, and Josh Mitchell).

Citation

More than 620 cumulative cites, including 320+ since 2004 and 250 published papers. Primary impact in econometrics, labor, and development economics.

Taught on 70+ course syllabi ranging from labor, development, and econometrics to sociology and biostatistics.

Press coverage for recent work includes articles on the United Press International News Wire and in *The New York Times*, *The Boston Globe*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, *The Financial Times*, *The Atlantic Monthly*, and *Forbes*.

Awards

Carleton University, Governor-General's Medal (top graduate from all faculties), 1992.

Harvard University, Department of Economics Prize Fellowship, 1992-1993, 1993-1994.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Doctoral Fellowship, 1994-1996, 1996-1997.

Professional Service

Referee for: National Science Foundation, *Journal of the American Statistical Association*, *Review of Economic Studies*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Econometric Theory*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *Journal of Business and Economic Statistics*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *American Economic Review*, *Journal of Econometrics*, *The Economic Journal*, *European Economic Review*, *Journal of the European Economics Association*.

Students Trained

Adriana Lleras Muney, Ph.D. Economics June 2001. First position: Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Princeton University.

Monica Fuentes, Ph.D. Economics, June 2003. First position: Goldman Sachs.

Laila Haider, Ph.D. Economics June 2004. First position: Assistant Professor, London School of Economics.

Prachi Mishra, Ph.D. Economics June 2004. First position: International Monetary Fund.

Sujata Visaria, Ph.D. Economics June 2005. First position: Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Boston University.