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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Duke University, Fuqua School of Business, 2022 – present.

Assistant Professor, Finance area.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, Stanford University, 2022.

M.A. in Economics, Stanford University, 2018.

B.A. in Economics, University of Notre Dame, 2016 (*Summa cum Laude*).

RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS

Primary fields: Labor Economics, Entrepreneurship.

Secondary field: Corporate Finance.

WORKING PAPERS

[Water Cooler Entrepreneurship: How Learning from Coworkers Inspires More - But Less Diverse – Entrepreneurship](#)

[Within-Firm Pay Inequality and Productivity](#), with Nicholas Bloom, Scott Ohlmacher, and Cristina Tello-Trillo.

[Are Immigrant Entrepreneurs Magnets for Foreign Investors?](#), with Mahdi Eghbali and Livia Yi

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

SORKIN, ISAAC AND MELANIE WALLSKOG [2023], “The Slow Diffusion of Earnings Inequality,” *Journal of Labor Economics*, 41(S1): S95-S127.

EVANS, WILLIAM N., JAMES X. SULLIVAN, AND MELANIE WALLSKOG [2016], “The Impact of Homelessness Prevention Programs on Homelessness,” *Science*, 353.6300: 694-699.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

2023 Finance 525: Foundations of Corporate Finance, Duke Fuqua MMS (3 sections).

2022 Finance 525: Foundations of Corporate Finance, Duke Fuqua MMS (3 sections).

2019-20 Teaching Assistant for Prof. Caroline Hoxby, Stanford University, Econ 146 (Economics of Education), Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award.

RELEVANT POSITIONS

- 2017- Special Sworn Status, U.S. Census Bureau.
2017-18 Research Assistant for Profs. Nicholas Bloom and Isaac Sorkin, Stanford University.

SCHOLARSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

- 2021-22 Bradley Graduate Fellowship,
Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (\$35,460 and tuition support).
2021-22 IRiSS Dissertation Fellowship,
Institute for Research in the Social Sciences at Stanford University (\$11,000).
2019-20 Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, Department of Economics, Stanford University.
2016-20 Graduate Research Fellowship Program,
National Science Foundation (\$102,000 and tuition support).
2016 Phi Beta Kappa.
2016 Undergraduate Thesis Award, Bachelor Thesis, University of Notre Dame.
2015 Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program Academic Year Grant,
Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, University of Notre Dame (\$500).
2015 Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program Summer Comprehensive Grant,
Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, University of Notre Dame, (\$4,500).
2014 Glynn Family Honors Program Undergraduate Research Grant,
University of Notre Dame (\$3,500).
2014 Kellogg Institute Experiencing the World Fellowship,
University of Notre Dame (\$2,607).

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee for *Journal of Development Economics*, *The Journal of Econometrics*, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, *American Economic Review*, *American Economic Review: Insights*, *Journal of Financial Economics*, *Management Science*, *Review of Finance*, *Labour Economics*.

Seminar presenter,

2024: American Finance Association (AFAA) Annual Meeting.

2023: University of California, Los Angeles; Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN); NBER Megafirms and the Economy, Spring 2023 conference; Society for Economic Dynamics 2023 Annual Meeting; North Carolina State; University of North Carolina Inaugural John Stewart Lecture; University of Virginia; Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco; Triangle Applied Microeconomics Conference; University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign.

2022: Rice University; University of Toronto; University of Wisconsin-Madison; Cornell University; University of Rochester; Harvard Business School; Microsoft; Duke University; New York University; U.S. Census Bureau (x2); Boston College; George Washington University; University of North Carolina; Labor and Finance Conference 2022 at Georgia Tech; NBER Wage Dynamics in the 21st Century, Fall 2022 conference; WAPFIN@NYU conference; Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting.

2021: U.S. Census Bureau; Young Economist Symposium; Workshop on Entrepreneurial Finance and Innovation (WEFI) Student Workshop; University of Notre Dame; Carnegie Mellon University; University of Kentucky.

Discussant,

2023: ITAM Finance Conference 2023; Financial Intermediation Research Society (FIRS) conference; Western Finance Association conference.

2022: Workshop on Entrepreneurial Finance and Innovation (WEFI); NBER Entrepreneurship Working Group, Fall 2022 conference.

2021: Young Economist Symposium.

Participant of the NBER Entrepreneurship Research Boot Camp, 2019; University of Chicago Price Theory Summer Camp, 2019; Toni Whited and Luke Taylor's Summer School on Structural Estimation, 2019.

** Future date