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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, June 2006
Master of Public Policy, Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan, 2001
B.A., *summa cum laude*, Political Economy and Mathematics, Williams College, 1999

EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Public Policy and Economics, Duke University, 2006-

HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Brookings Institution Okun-Model Early Career Fellowship in Economic Studies, 2009-10
National Poverty Center at the University of Michigan National Research Affiliate, 2008-
NBER Faculty Research Fellow, 2007-
NBER Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, 2005-2006
Jacob K. Javits Fellowship, 1999-2003

PUBLICATIONS

“Segregation and Black Political Efficacy” (with Ebonya Washington). *Journal of Public Economics*, 2009, 93(5-6): 807-822.

“Abortion and Selection” (with Jonathan Gruber, Phillip Levine, and Douglas Staiger). *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 2009, 91(1): 124–136.

“The Effect of Marital Breakup on the Income and Poverty of Women with Children” (with Guy Michaels). *Journal of Human Resources*, 2008, 43(3): 611-629.

“Abortion Legalization and Lifecycle Fertility” (with Jonathan Gruber and Phillip Levine). *Journal of Human Resources*, 2007, 42(2): 375-397.

“Child Care Subsidies and the Transition from Welfare to Work” (with Sandra K. Danziger and Kimberly Browning). *Family Relations*, 2004, 53:219-228.

“Does It Pay to Move from Welfare to Work?” (with Sheldon Danziger, Colleen Heflin, Mary Corcoran, and Hui-Chen Wang). *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, 2002, 21(4):671-692. Reprinted in *JPAM Classics: Poverty and Welfare*, eds. Besharov and Call, forthcoming.

WORKING PAPERS

“The Power of the Pill for the Marginal Child” (with Dan Hungerman). NBER WP #13402 *Under revision for the Review of Economics and Statistics*.

“The Wrong Side(s) of the Tracks: The Causal Effects of Racial Segregation on Urban Poverty and Inequality.” NBER WP #13343 *Under revision for the American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*.

“The Causal Effects of Racial Residential Segregation on Health.”

“The Marginal Child throughout the Life Cycle: Evidence from Early Law Variation” (with Joanna Lahey).

Invited chapter: “The Effects of Plant Closings on Children’s Educational Achievement” (with Anna Gassman-Pines and Christina Gibson-Davis), for *Social Inequality and Educational Disadvantage*, eds. Rebecca Blank and Richard Murnane.

EXTERNAL FUNDING

National Institutes of Health Grant #1RO3HD057362-01A2, \$165,461. 6/2009-5/2011. “The Impact of Early Access to Oral Contraception on the Health of Women and Children” (with Dan Hungerman).

Smith Richardson Foundation Grant, \$692,514. 1/2009-12/2010. “Beyond Test Scores: Schooling and Life-Course Outcomes in Early Adulthood” (with Charles Clotfelter, Philip Cook, William Darity, Kenneth Dodge, Anna Gassman-Pines, Christina Gibson-Davis, Helen Ladd, Seth Sanders, and Jacob Vigdor).

INVITED PRESENTATIONS

2009: University of Michigan National Poverty Center Conference on the Influence of Early Life Events on Later-Life Outcomes, College of William and Mary Economics Seminar, Population Association of America Meetings

2008: Princeton Industrial Relations Seminar, American Society of Health Economics Meetings, University of Michigan National Poverty Center/Population Studies Seminar, London School of Economics Seminar, Universitat Pompeu Fabra Seminar, University of Bristol Seminar, Association of Public Policy and Management Meetings

2007: New York University, National Bureau of Economic Research Health Economics Meetings, National Bureau of Economic Research Cohort Studies Meetings, National Bureau of Economic Research Political Economy Meetings, Southern Economic Association Meetings

2006: Bocconi University, Boston University, Brown University, Carnegie Mellon University, Syracuse University, University of California-Irvine, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign, University of Wisconsin-Madison, National Bureau of Economic Research Children’s Meetings, Association of Public Policy and Management Meetings

REFEREE SERVICE

National Science Foundation, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Berkeley Electronic Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Journal of Legal Studies, Public Health Nursing, Demography, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management.

DISCUSSANT

2009: Population Association of America meetings
2008: Institute for Poverty Research Conference on Changing Poverty
2007: Association of Public Policy and Management meetings

POPULAR PRESS

Coverage: *New York Times* Freakonomics blog, *NBER Digest*
Guest columnist: *The Baltimore Sun*, *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, *The South Carolina State*, *The Raleigh News and Observer*, *The Ft. Lauderdale Sun-Sentinel*