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ACADEMIC POSITIONS	<b>University of Chicago</b> Postdoctoral Fellow, Harris School of Public Policy & Mansueto Institute	08/2024 – 07/2025	
	<b>Loyola Marymount University</b> Assistant Professor, Department of Economics	08/2025 –	
EDUCATION	<b>Harvard University</b> Ph.D. Public Policy	2024	
	<b>University of Toronto</b> M.A. Economics	2016	
	B.A. Economics	2014	
RESEARCH AREAS	Urban and Real Estate Economics, Public Economics, Applied Microeconomics		
WORKING PAPERS	Quantifying the Welfare Impacts of Gentrification on Incumbent Renters ( <i>with Ashvin Gandhi &amp; Valentine Gilbert</i> )		
	Suburban Housing and Urban Affordability: Evidence from Residential Vacancy Chains ( <i>with Valentine Gilbert</i> )		
PUBLICATIONS	Behavioral barriers transitioning to college <i>Labour Economics</i> , 2017, 47. ( <i>with Philip Oreopoulos</i> )		
	Applying behavioural economics to public policy in Canada <i>Canadian Journal of Economics</i> , 2017, 50. ( <i>with Philip Oreopoulos</i> ).		
SELECTED WORK IN PROGRESS	Schools or Suitcases? Optimal Urban Policy and Economic Opportunity in Greater Boston		
	Social Moving Costs, Endogenous Preferences, and Neighborhood Sorting ( <i>with Valentine Gilbert</i> )		
OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	<b>New York University</b> Visiting Researcher, Furman Center	06/2022 - 07/2022	
	<b>University of Toronto</b> Research Assistant to Philip Oreopoulos	2016–2017	
	Research Assistant to Kory Kroft	2014–2015	
FELLOWSHIPS, RESEARCH AWARDS & GRANTS	Junior Scholar, American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association		AY 2024–2025
	Best Junior Paper Submitted for the 2024 AREUEA National Conference		2024
	Best Paper on Housing by a Doctoral Student, Joint Center for Housing Studies		2024

	Research Grant, Horowitz Foundation for Social Policy	2023
	Adam Smith Fellowship (Declined), Mercatus Center	2023
	Research Grant (×2), Malcolm Weiner Center for Social Policy	2022, 2023
	Graduate Admission Scholarship, University of Toronto	AY 2015–2016
	Louis Savlov Scholarship, University of Toronto	AY 2013–2014
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<b>Harvard University</b> PhD Micro Theory II (HKS), Head Teaching Fellow PhD Micro Theory I (HKS), Head Teaching Fellow Intermediate Micro Theory: Advanced, Head Teaching Fellow	Spring 2020, 2021, 2022, 2024 Fall 2021 Fall 2019, 2020
	<b>University of Toronto</b> Principles of Economics, Teaching Assistant Economic Thought after 1870, Teaching Assistant	AY 2015–2016 Spring 2016
TEACHING DISTINCTIONS	Derek Bok Certification of Distinction in Teaching (×3), Harvard University	Spring 2021, AY 2021–2022
INVITED TALKS AND CONFERENCES <i>Scheduled</i>	2025: Harvard Joint Center for Housing Studies  2024: UEA North America Conference, UEA European Conference, AREUEA National Conference, UCLA Ziman Center for Real Estate Conference on Low-Income Housing Supply and Housing Affordability, Loyola Marymount University, University of Cincinnati Finance, Texas A&M  2023 and earlier: UEA Summer School, NYU Furman Center, Harvard Kennedy School Economics and Social Policy	
PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES & SERVICE	<i>Referee:</i> Quarterly Journal of Economics (×5), Journal of Urban Economics (×2), Journal of Behavioral Public Administration  <i>Discussant:</i> 2025: AREUEA-ASSA Annual Conference (×3) 2024: AREUEA National Conference, UEA European Conference	
SOFTWARE	Julia, R, STATA, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X	
PERSONAL	UK and Canadian Citizen US Census Bureau Special Sworn Status	