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# **Professional Experience**

| Brown University Department of Economics       |              |
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| Associate Professor of Economics               | 2015-Present |
| University of Chicago Booth School of Business |              |
| Associate Professor of Economics               | 2011-2014    |
| Assistant Professor of Economics               | 2009-2011    |
| National Bureau of Economic Research           |              |
| Faculty Research Fellow                        | 2006-Present |
| University of Chicago Department of Economics  |              |
| Assistant Professor of Economics               | 2007-2009    |
| Becker Center on Chicago Price Theory          |              |
| Becker Fellow                                  | 2006-2007    |

## Education

Ph.D., Economics, Harvard University, 2006 B.A., Economics, Harvard College, *magna cum laude*, 2002

#### **Professional Service:**

Associate Editor, Quarterly Journal of Economics 2014-Present

## **Honors and Invited Lectures:**

TW Shultz Memorial Lecture Honoree January 2015

#### **Working Papers:**

"Diabetes and Diet: Behavioral Response and the Value of Health," Draft, September 2014

"Unobservable Selection and Coefficient Stability: Theory and Evidence." Draft, December 2014.

"Estimating Health Behavior Treatment Effects in the Presence of Unobserved Confounding." Draft, April 2014

"Why is Infant Mortality Higher in the US than in Europe" (with Heidi Williams and Alice Chen). Draft, August 2014. *Revision Requested, American Economic Journal: Policy* 

#### **Publications:**

- "Approaches and Costs for Sharing Clinical Research Data" (with Erin Wilhelm and Ira Shoulson). *JAMA* (Viewpoint, Feb 20, 2014).
- "Limited Life Expectancy, Human Capital and Health Investments" (with E. Ray Dorsey and Ira Shoulson). *American Economic Review*, 103 (5): p. 1977-2002 (August 2013).
- "Optimal Expectations and Limited Medical Testing: Evidence from Huntington's Disease" (with E. Ray Dorsey and Ira Shoulson). *American Economic Review*, 103 (2): p. 804-830 (April 2013).
- "Do IT Service Centers Promote School Enrollment? Evidence from India" (with Bryce Millett). *Journal of Development Economics*, 104: 123-135 (September 2013).
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- "Determinants of Technology Adoption: Private Value and Peer Effects in Menstrual Cup Take-Up" (with Rebecca Thornton). *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 10(6): p.1263-1293 (December, 2012).
- "Routes of Infection: Exports and HIV Incidence in Sub-Saharan Africa." *Journal of the European Economic Association*, 10(5): p. 1025–1058 (October 2012).
- "HIV and Sexual Behavior Change: Why Not Africa?" *Journal of Health Economics*, 31(1): p.35-49 (January 2012).
- "Menstruation, Sanitary Products and School Attendance: Evidence from a Randomized Evaluation" (with Rebecca Thornton). *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 3(1): 91-100 (January 2011).
- "Genetic Adverse Selection in Long Term Care and Life Insurance: Evidence from Huntington Disease" (with E. Ray Dorsey et al). *Journal of Public Economics*, 94(11-12): p. 1041-1050 (December 2010).
- "Estimating HIV Prevalence and Incidence in Africa from Mortality Data." *BE Journal of Economics Analysis and Policy: Topics in Economics Analysis*, 10(1): Article 80 (September 2010).
- "Hepatitis B Does Not Explain Male-Biased Sex Ratios in China" (with Gang Chen et al). *Economics Letters*, 107(2): p. 142-144 (May, 2010).
- "The Power of TV: Cable Television and Women's Status in India" (with Robert Jensen). *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 124 (3): p. 1057-1094 (August 2009).
- "Does Increased Access Increase Equality? Health Investments and Gender Inequality in India." *Journal of Development Economics*, 89 (1): p. 62-76 (May, 2009).
- "Proximate Sources of Population Sex Imbalance in India." *Demography*, 46(2): 325-340 (May, 2009).
- "Fear of health insurance loss among individuals at risk for Huntington Disease" (with E. Ray Dorsey et al). *American Journal of Medical Genetics, Part A*, 146A: p.2070-2077 (August, 2008).

- "Explaining Asia's 'Missing Women': A New Look at the Data Comment," *Population and Development Review*, 32(2): p. 323-327 (June 2006).
- "Hepatitis B and the Case of the Missing Women." *Journal of Political Economy*, 113 (6): p. 1163-1216 (December 2005).
- "Sexually Transmitted Infections, Sexual Behavior and the HIV/AIDS Epidemic." *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 120 (2): p. 467-515 (May 2005).
- "Witchcraft, Weather and Economic Growth in Renaissance Europe." *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 18(1): 215-228 (Winter 2004).
- "Are All Lotteries Regressive? Evidence from the Powerball." *National Tax Journal*, 57(2): p.179-187 (June 2004)