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Employment and Affiliations

Assistant Professor, Harris School of Public Policy, University of Chicago, 2004–present
Research Associate, Population Research Center, Chicago and NORC, 2004–present
Faculty Affiliate, Center for Human Potential and Public Policy (CHPPP), 2005–present
Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), 2008–present

Education

Ph.D., Economics, Harvard University, 2004
M.A., Economics, Harvard University, 2002
B.A., Economics and Philosophy, Harvard University, 1997

Published and Forthcoming Papers

“The Impact of College Education on Migration: Evidence from the Vietnam Generation,”
(with Abigail Wozniak). Forthcoming at the *Journal of Human Resources*.

“School Tracking on Access to Higher Education among Disadvantaged Groups,” (with
Cristian Pop-Eleches). *Journal of Public Economics* Vol. 95, Nos. 11-12 (2011): 1538-49

“Home Computer Use and the Development of Human Capital,” (with Cristian Pop-
Eleches). *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, Vol. 126, No. 2 (2011): 987-1027.

“Discovering One’s Talent: Learning from Academic Specialization.” *Industrial and Labor
Relations Review*, Vol. 62, No. 2 (2011): 375-405

“The Structure of European Higher Education in the Wake of the Bologna Reforms” in
American Universities in a Global Market (ed. Charles Clotfelter) *NBER* (2010): 205-230

“Breadth vs. Depth: The Timing of Specialization in Higher Education,” *Labour*, Vol. 24,
No. 4 (2010): 359-390

“General Education vs. Vocational Training: Evidence from an Economy in Transition,”
(with Cristian Pop-Eleches) *Review of Economics and Statistics* Vol. 92, No. 1 (2010): 43-60

Working Papers

“Self-Selection and International Migration: New Evidence from Mexico” (with Robert
Kaestner). Revise and Resubmit at the *Review of Economics and Statistics*.

“Curriculum Breadth or General Studies? Evaluating Alternative Approaches to General
Education” Mimeo.

“The Impact of a College Education on Health” (with Abigail Wozniak, Kasey Buckles,
Melinda Morrill) Mimeo.

Work in Progress

“Education, Marriage, and Fertility” (with Cristian Pop-Eleches, Andreea Balan-Cohen)
“The Impact of England’s Comprehensive Reform on University Access”(with Damon Clark)
“Evaluating Class-Based Affirmative Action in Israel” (with Sigal Alon)
“Does Age of Arrival Matter for Immigrant Children?” (with Robert Kaestner)
“Heterogeneous Effects of Home Computer Use in Chile” (with Jaime Bellolio and Cristian Pop-Eleches)
“How do Teachers Respond to Changes in Student Quality: Evidence from Cohort Variation” (with Cristian Pop-Eleches and Miguel Urquiola)
“OLPC in Peru” (with Oscar Beccera, Diether Beuermann, Julian Cristia, Santiago Cueto)

Teaching

Introduction to Microeconomics and Public Policy (PP 323)
Economics of Education Policy (PP 357)
The Economics of Higher Education (PP 368)

Honors

CHPPP Faculty Development Award, 2008-2009
Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, 2003-2004

Professional Service

Referee: *American Economic Review*, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, *B.E. Journals of Economic Analysis & Policy*, *Development Psychology*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Economics of Education Review*, *Economic Inquiry*, *Economic Journal*, *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Human Capital*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *Journal of Labor Economics*, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, *Journal of Political Economy*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Journal of Urban Economics*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Review of Economic Studies*, Smith-Richardson Foundation, National Science Foundation

Discussant: AEA Meetings, NBER Higher Education Meetings, SOLE meetings, MEA meetings, White Paper Presentation for NORC/Spencer Foundation Conference

Grants

\$40,000 from the Spencer Foundation, 2009
\$39,215 from the Population Research Center, NORC, 2009
\$15,000 from the Center for Human Potential and Public Policy, 2008
\$12,000 from the Population Research Center, NORC, 2007

Academic Presentations

Clemson University – 2004
Georgetown University – 2011
Hebrew University – 2008

Inter-American Development Bank – 2010
Mathematica Policy Research – 2004
Michigan State University – 2004
NBER Education Meetings – 2005, 2008
NBER Higher Education Meetings – 2006
RAND – 2004
SOLE Meetings – 2006
Stanford University – 2011
Tel-Aviv University – 2008, 2010
UC Berkeley, GSPP – 2008
UC Riverside – 2004
UC San Diego – 2006
University of Chicago, Harris School – 2004
University of Illinois at Chicago – 2005, 2006, 2011
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign – 2009
University of Notre Dame – 2010
University of Virginia – 2011

Selected Media

Inside Higher Ed: <http://www.insidehighered.com/news/2009/11/25/nber>
New York Times: <http://www.nytimes.com/2010/07/11/business/11digi.html>
NPR (Here and Now): <http://www.hereandnow.org/2010/07/rundown-722-2/>
Slate: <http://www.slate.com/id/2192798/>