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Positions

University of Michigan, Population Studies Center
NIA Postdoctoral Fellow (2022 – 2024)

Education

Vanderbilt University, Department of Economics
Ph.D. in Economics (2022)
M.A. in Economics (2018)

Colorado College, Department of Economics
B.A. in Mathematical Economics (2016)

Fields

Research: Public, Labor, Economic History

Teaching: Public, Labor, Economic History, Microeconomics, Health Economics, Econometrics,
Program Evaluation / Causal Inference

Working Papers

[Unemployment Insurance Expansions and Family Structure: Evidence from AFDC-UP in the 1970s and 1980s](#) [JOB MARKET PAPER]

[Public Pensions and Retirement: Evidence from the Railroad Retirement Act](#)
[Revisions requested at *Journal of Public Economics*]

[The Expansion of Social Security and the Decline of Elderly Public Assistance](#) (Joint with [Daniel Fetter](#))

Work in Progress

Who Benefits from Federal Welfare Spending? Evidence from the Introduction of Progressive Cost Sharing (Joint with [Andrew Goodman-Bacon](#))

Additional Research Experience

Vanderbilt University, Research Assistant
Professor William Collins (2017 –2018)
Professor Andrew Goodman-Bacon (2017 – 2018; 2020)
Professor Michelle Marcus (2018 –2019)

Babies and Mothers Alive ([webpage](#))

Part-time consultant (2021–present)

Reference: Marc Sklar, MD, MPH; Executive Director; sklarmd@gmail.com)

United States Census Bureau

Special Sworn Status Researcher (2022–present)

Teaching Experience

Vanderbilt University, Teaching Assistant

Urban Economics (Fall 2017)

Economic Statistics (Spring 2018)

Health Economics (Fall 2018; Spring 2019; Fall 2019; Spring 2020; Fall 2021)

Public Finance (Fall 2019; Spring 2020; Spring 2021)

Project Evaluation (Masters) (Fall 2021)

Online Tutor, Wyzant.com ([personal page](#)) (2018-2023)

Tutor, Quantitative Reasoning Center, Colorado College (2014-2016)

Awards, Grants, and Fellowships

University of Michigan

Population Studies Center Small Grant Award (2023): \$4,000

Population Studies Center Research Support Award (2023): \$750

Rackham Graduate School Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Certificate of Completion (2023)

University of Wisconsin-Madison

Center for Financial Security Junior Scholar Intensive Trainee (2023)

Vanderbilt University

Rendigs Fels Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching (2022)

Vanderbilt University Economics Fellowship (2016–2022)

Kirk Dornbush Dissertation Fellowship (2020)

Kirk Dornbush Summer Research Grant (2018)

Colorado College

Van-Skilling Award (2015)

Conference and Seminar Presentations

2023 (Including scheduled)

Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting (Two Presentations); Northwestern Economic History Rookiefest; University of Michigan Labor Lunch

2022

Annual Cliometric Conference (Graduate Student Session); Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting; University of Michigan Economic History Workshop

2021

Florida State University, Department of Economics; Annual Cliometric Conference (Graduate Student Session); NBER Summer Institute Development of the American Economy (Poster Session); Young Economist Symposium (YES); Economic History Association Annual Meeting (Poster Session); Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting; Vanderbilt Empirical and Applied Microeconomics Seminar

2020

Vanderbilt Empirical and Applied Microeconomics Seminar

2019

Economic History Association (Poster Session); Southern Economic Association (Two Presentations); Vanderbilt Empirical and Applied Microeconomics Seminar

Additional Professional Activities

Referee: Industrial Relations, A Journal of Economy and Society; Demography

Professional Affiliations

American Economic Association; Economic History Association; Southern Economic Associations

Skills

STATA, LaTeX, RStudio, Github, ArcGIS, Microsoft Suite

References

William Collins, PhD
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Andrew Goodman-Bacon, PhD
Opportunity and Inclusive Growth
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