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Employment and Affiliations

- 2019 - Present Bureau of Labor Statistics
Research Economist (75% FTE from September 2024)
Temporary Industry Analyst - Producer Price Index (2025)
- 2024 - Present Case Western Reserve University
Adjunct Faculty
- 2024 - Present Member, Conference on Research in Income and Wealth
- 2023 - Present Recipe Tester, America's Test Kitchen

Education

- 2013-2019 University of Minnesota
PhD in Economics
- 2013-2018 University of Minnesota
MA in Economics
- 2010 Collegio Carlo Alberto
Master in Economics
- 2005-2009 Case Western Reserve University
BA in Economics (with honors)

Publications

[*The Evolution of U.S. Retail Concentration*](#) with Sergio Ocampo. *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics* 17(1):71-101 (2025)

[*The Scope of U.S. 'Factoryless Manufacturing'*](#) with Kimberly Bayard and David Byrne. In *Measuring Globalization: Better Trade Statistics for Better Policy - Volume 2. Factoryless Manufacturing, Global Supply Chains, and Trade in Intangibles and Data* (2015)

[Unit Value Indexes for Exports - New Developments Using Administrative Trade Data](#) with Don Fast and Susan Fleck. *Journal of Official Statistics*. 38(1): 83-106 (2022)

Working Papers

[Extending the Range of Robust Measures of PCE Inflation \(R&R IJCB\)](#)
with Sergio Ocampo and Raphael Schoenle

[Antitrust on Aisle Five: How Well Do Divestiture Remedies Work?](#)
with Xiao Dong, Paul Koh, Devesh Raval, and Brett Wendling

[Productivity Dispersion and Structural Change in Retail Trade](#)
with G. Jacob Blackwood, Michael D. Giandrea, Cheryl Grim, Jay Stewart, Zoltan Wolf

Work in Progress

The Changing Distribution of PCE Inflation
with Raphael Schoenle and Mishel Ghassibe

BLS Writing and Technical Reports

[Enhancing Import and Export Price Indexes: A New Methodology Using Administrative Trade Data](#). BLS Working Paper 578. 2024. with Austin Enderson-Ohrt, Matthew Fisher, Christopher Grant, Angel Wong, and Benjamin Wullbrandt.

[The Geometric Young Formula for Elementary Aggregate Import and Export Price Indexes](#). BLS Monthly Labor Review, February 2025. with Austin Enderson-Ohrt

[A Consumption Measure for Automobiles](#). BLS Monthly Labor Review, January 2024. with Caleb Cho and Brett Matsumoto

[Cleaning the Census of Retail Trade Product Lines Data](#). CES Technical Notes Series 22-14.

Awards

2025 *Summers Fellow*, CRIW Summer Meeting

Teaching Experience

2014 - 2015 *Head Teaching Assistant*, University of Minnesota

2017 Graduate Instructor – Math Camp, University of Minnesota
2019 Writing Instructor - University of Minnesota
2024 - 2025 Intermediate Macroeconomics - Case Western Reserve University

Presentations

2025 Case Western Reserve University, American Economic Association Annual Meetings
2024 Western University of Ontario, American Economic Association Annual Meetings, International Association for the Research in Income and Wealth, NBER SI CRIW Meeting*
2023 Federal Statistical Research Data Center Conference, BLS Technical Advisory Committee, Midwest Economic Association
2022 American Economic Association Annual Meetings, Midwest Economic Association, Society for Economic Dynamics, Bureau of Economic Analysis, BLS Technical Advisory Committee
2021 NBER SI CRIW Meeting, Federal Statistical Research Data Center Seminar Series, International Industrial Organization Conference
2020 George Washington University, Society for Government Economists*, International Industrial Organization Conference*, Committee on National Statistics - Retail Productivity Panel
2019 Federal Trade Commission, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, Society for Economic Dynamics, Kent State University
2018 Federal Reserve Board of Governors, Center for Economic Studies, Research Data Center Conference
2017 University of Michigan, Dartmouth College

* Presentation by coauthor

Other Service

Reviewer of *Understanding the Impact of Global Value Chains* for the National Academies of Sciences.

Referee: American Economic Journal: Applied; American Economic Review: Insights; Economics of Education Review; Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking; Review of Economics and Statistics

Federal Economic Statistics Advisory Committee Planning Committee (2024-2025)

Comparative Analysis of Enterprise Data Program Committee

Computer Skills

Matlab, Python, SAS, Stata, Julia, R

Language/Citizenship

English (native)/USA