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Education

PhD. in Economics, Columbia University, conferred May 2018

B.A. in Economics, University of Colorado, conferred 2012

Employment History

August 2018-August 2020: Post-Doctoral Research Fellow, Chapman University

Fall 2013 — Fall 2015 and Fall 2016 — Fall 2017: Lab Manager to the CELSS, Columbia University

Primary Research Areas

- Experimental Economics
- Behavioral Economics
- Microeconomic Theory

Secondary Research Areas

- Memory
- Attention
- Decision Theory
- Information Economics
- Networks

Teaching Experience

Fall 2020 – Present: ECON 335 - Economics of Strategy, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Fall 2021 – Present: ECON 611 - Topics in Theoretical and Applied Economics, University of Tennessee, Knoxville

2014 – 2017, per semester: zTree tutorial course, Columbia University

Publications

- “Estimating Information Cost Functions in Models of Rational Inattention” (with Ambuj Dewan) – *Journal of Economic Theory*
- “Vying for Dominance: An Experiment in Dynamic Network Formation” – *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*
- “Experimental Tests of Rational Inattention” (with Mark Dean) – Revision requested: *Journal of Political Economy*

Working Papers

- “Rational Memory with Decay”
- “Two Tractable Simplifications for a Dynamic Network Model”
- “Bayes vs. Skinner: Learning About Risk”
- “Adjustability and Rational Cognition”
- “A Minimum Contribution Mechanism for Public Goods Provision”
- “Re-Encoding for Realistic Memory Models”
- “Group Formation Through Proposal and Consent”

Selected Presentations

- Experiments on Rational Inattention, Virginia Tech Seminar Series, 18 February 2022
- *Rational Memory and Persuasion Through Timing of Information Release*, Economic Science Association North America
12 October 2019
- *Rational Memory and Recency Bias in Voting*, Bay Area Behavioral and Experimental Economics Workshop (BABEEW)
6 April 2019
- *Exploring Rational Memory with Insurance-Purchasing Experiments*, Chapman University Brown Bag
3 April 2019
- *Rational Memory and Recency Bias in Insurance Purchasing*, Guest Lecture for Professor Juan Carillo, Graduate Experimental Methods, University of Southern California
14 February 2019
- *Rational Memory and the Forgetting Curve*, Chapman University Brown Bag
26 September 2018

Selected Grants

Fall 2017: Columbia Experimental Lab for Social Sciences (CELSS) Dissertation Fellowship, Columbia University

2014 – 2015: Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies

Journal Refereeing

American Economic Review

Journal of Political Economy

Experimental Economics

Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization

The RAND Journal of Economics

Journal of Economic Theory

European Economic Review

Review of Economics and Statistics