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PROFESSIONAL

Senior Economist, W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, 2016–Present

Visiting Researcher, Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, 2018

Economist, W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, 2010–2016

Visiting Assistant Professor, Kalamazoo College, 2015

Affiliated Researcher, Swedish Institute for Social Research (SOFI), Stockholm University, 2010–Present

EDUCATION

Stockholm University, Ph.D. in Economics, 2010

Princeton University, Industrial Relations Section, Visiting Predoctoral Researcher, 2008–2009

Stockholm University, M.Sc. in Business Administration and Economics, 2005

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Labor Economics, Economics of Social Insurance, Subjective Well-Being, Economics of Education

WORK IN PROGRESS

“[Sources of Displaced Workers’ Long-Term Earnings Losses](#)” (with Alexandre Mas and Stephen A. Woodbury). “Revise and resubmit” at the *American Economic Review*

- Mentioned in [Bloomberg Opinion](#), and by [NYT’s Ben Casselman](#)

“[The Effects of the Kalamazoo Promise Scholarship on College Enrollment, Persistence, and Completion](#)” (with Timothy J. Bartik and Brad J. Hershbein). Revised and resubmitted to the *Journal of Human Resources*

- Mentioned in [The Atlantic](#). Cited by the July 2016 White House Council of Economic Advisers [report](#) and the 2017 [Economic Report of the President](#)

[“How Reliable Are Administrative Reports of Paid Work Hours?”](#) (with Alexandre Mas and Stephen A. Woodbury)

“Ten-Year Effects of Job Search Assistance” (with Merve Meral and Stephen A. Woodbury)

“The Effects of Tax Rebates on Job Search”

PUBLICATIONS

[“The Effect of Public Pension Wealth on Saving and Expenditure”](#) (with Michal Myck) *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, 2018, 10(3): 284–308

[“The Effect of Income on Subjective Well-Being: Evidence from the 2008 Economic Stimulus Tax Rebates”](#) *Journal of Human Resources*, 2017, 52(2): 374–417

[“Outside Options and Wages: What Can We Learn from Subjective Assessments?”](#) *Empirical Economics*, 2017, 52(1): 79–121

[“Effects of the Unemployment Insurance Work Test on Long-Term Employment Outcomes”](#) (with Merve Meral and Stephen A. Woodbury). *Labour Economics*, 2016, 41: 246–265

[“Expenditure and Confidence: Using Daily Data to Identify Shocks to Consumer Confidence”](#) *Oxford Economic Papers*, 2016, 68(4): 920–944

- Mentioned in [Financial Times](#)

[“The Merits of Universal Scholarships: Benefit-Cost Evidence from the Kalamazoo Promise”](#) (with Timothy J. Bartik and Brad J. Hershbein). *Journal of Benefit-Cost Analysis*, 2016, 7(3): 400–433

- Cited by the 2017 [Economic Report of the President](#)

[“The Kalamazoo Promise Scholarship”](#) (with Timothy J. Bartik). *Education Next*, 2014, 14(2): 72–78

- Top-ten downloaded [Education Next](#) article of 2014

[“The Short-Term Effects of the Kalamazoo Promise Scholarship on Student Outcomes”](#) (with Timothy J. Bartik). *Research in Labor Economics*, 2013, 38: 37–76

- Mentioned in [Education Week](#) and [The New Republic](#). Cited by the July 2016 White House Council of Economic Advisers [report](#) and the 2017 [Economic Report of the President](#)

Essays in Labor Economics and Consumer Behavior. Doctoral Thesis in Economics, Stockholm University, Sweden, 2010

“Phased Retirement—A Way of Increasing Labor Supply of Older Workers?” (with Annika Sundén and Eskil Wadensjö). 2008. In [Välfärd på deltid – Vilken roll spelar partiella ersättningar för arbetsutbudet?](#) (L. Larsson, ed), SNS förlag, Stockholm. English version available as IZA Discussion Paper No. [4284](#)

GRANTS

Washington Center for Equitable Growth/Russell Sage Foundation Presidential Authority Award “Sources of Displaced Workers’ Long-Term Earnings Losses,” Co-Principal Investigator with Stephen A. Woodbury, 2017–2018, \$67,884

William T. Grant Foundation Officers Research Grant “The Effects of the Kalamazoo Promise Scholarship on Post-Secondary Educational Attainment,” Principal Investigator, 2015, \$25,000

Department of Labor Scholars Program “The Effects of Relaxing the Work Search Requirement on Job Match Quality,” Principal Investigator, 2013–2014, \$33,235

National Science Centre, Poland (NCN) “Examining the Life-Cycle Theory of Consumption” Co-Principal Investigator with Michał Myck, 2013–2014, \$54,000

Mississippi Department of Employment Security “Labor Force Participation in Mississippi and Other Southern States,” Co-Principal Investigator with Stephen A. Woodbury, 2011, \$100,000

Jan Wallander and Tom Hedelius Scholarship for Graduate Studies at Princeton University, 2008–2009

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Visiting Assistant Professor, Kalamazoo College

Labor Economics (Undergraduate), Winter 2015, Fall 2015

Teaching Assistant, Stockholm University

Econometrics (Master level), Fall 2007

Macroeconomics (Ph.D. Core), Spring 2007

POLICY WRITING AND REPORTS

“[The 2008 Economic Stimulus Payments Increased Emotional Well-Being](#)” *Employment Research*, 2017, 24(4): 4–6.

“[The Effects of Eliminating the Work Search Requirement on Job Match Quality and Other Long-Term Employment Outcomes](#)” (with Merve Meral and Stephen A. Woodbury), 2015, Report prepared for the Department of Labor, Washington, D.C.

“[What is the Relation between Public Pensions and Private Savings?](#)” *Employment Research*, 2015, 22(3): 1–3

“[Labor Force Participation in Mississippi and Other Southern States](#)” (with Stephen A. Woodbury) *Employment Research*, 2012, 19(2): 1–4

“[What Do Indexes of Consumer Confidence Tell Us?](#)” *Employment Research*, 2011, 18(3): 1–4

[“The Effects of Doubling Instruction Efforts on Middle School Students’ Achievement.”](#) (with Timothy J. Bartik) Upjohn Institute Working Paper 14–20

[“Labor Force Participation in Mississippi and Other Southern States: Final Report.”](#) (with Stephen A. Woodbury). Upjohn Institute Technical Report No. 12–027 [prepared for the Mississippi Department of Employment Security]

[“Labor Force Participation in Mississippi and Other Southern States: Summary Report.”](#) (with Stephen A. Woodbury). Upjohn Institute Technical Report No. 12–026 [prepared for the Mississippi Department of Employment Security]

PRESENTATIONS AND DISCUSSIONS

2018

AEA/LERA meetings, MEA/SOLE session, University of Southern California, Institute for Research on Poverty Summer Research Workshop

2017

IZA workshop “Social and Welfare Consequences of Unemployment,” ZEW conference “The Role of the Firm in the Labor Market,” SOLE conference , NBER Summer Institute (Labor Studies), APPAM

2016

AEA meetings, MEA/SOLE session, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, Ce2/WIEM, MSU School of Human Resources and Labor Relations

2015

ACES/ASSA meetings, SOLE/EALE meetings, APPAM

2014

Institute for Fiscal Studies, AEFPP conference, MEA, the workshop “Optimizing over the lifecycle,” International Institute of Public Finance, University of Michigan, APPAM, National Tax Association

2009–2013

AEA meetings, MEA conference, Atlanta Fed conference on “The Future of Workforce Development,” W.E. Upjohn Institute-Ford School Conference on Student Loans (discussant), AEFPP conference, MEA conference, SOLE conference, University of Michigan, WIEM, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Berlin Network of Labor Market Research (BeNA), NBER Economics of Education Fall Meeting, Western Michigan University, University of Notre Dame, APET conference, Swedish Institute for Social Research, EALE conference, PromiseNet conference, EEA meetings, Warsaw International Economic Meeting (WIEM), V PhD Meeting of the Royal Economic Society, Uppsala University, W.E. Upjohn Institute, Centre for Financial Analysis and Policy at the University of Cambridge, Copenhagen Business School, Princeton University

EXTERNAL SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Liaison of the Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (CSWEP, a committee of AEA promoting the careers and monitoring the progress of women economists), 2015–Present

Invited speaker at AEA Summer Program (AEASP, a program intended to increase diversity in economics), 2016, 2017, 2018

Invited speaker at the Midwest Economics Association (MEA) CSWEP session “Advice for Job Seekers”, 2014 and 2019 (planned)

2016 attendee of the AEA-CeMENT Mentoring Workshop (mentee)

Conference Panels Organized

2019 LERA/ASSA session organizer “Unemployment and Unemployment Insurance”

2017 APPAM panel organizer (with Stephen A. Woodbury), “Worker Displacement”

2014 MEA session organizer “Economics of Pensions and Retirement”

Refereeing

American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Eastern Economic Journal, Economic Inquiry, Economics Bulletin, Industrial and Labor Relations Review, International Tax and Public Finance, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Human Capital, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Money, Credit and Banking, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Oxford Economic Papers, Oxford University Press, Upjohn Press, Pew Charitable Trust

INTERNAL SERVICE AT THE UPJOHN INSTITUTE

External seminar organizer: 2011–2014, 2017–Present

Working paper series editor (Early Career Research Award grants), 2018–Present

Early Career Research Award grant reviewer, 2011–Present

Recruitment (economists and/or post docs) committee, 2011–2018

W.E. Upjohn Institute Dissertation Award reviewer, 2011, 2012, 2016, 2017, 2018

Office 365 transition committee, 2017

Workplace safety procedures committee, 2016

Workplace ergonomics committee, 2014

SELECTED MEDIA COVERAGE

Kochkodin, Brandon, [“Americans Haven’t Felt This Good About Income Growth Since 2001”](#)
Bloomberg, September 10, 2018

[“Great Recession Still Plagues Workers with Lower Lifetime Wages”](#) Research Brief, Woodrow Wilson School, March 12, 2018

Smith, Noah, [“Help Companies Avoid Layoffs in Recessions”](#) *Bloomberg*, January 19, 2018

Samuels, Alana, [“The Town That Decided to Send All Its Kids to College.”](#) *The Atlantic*, August 18, 2015

Morales, Cecilio, “Guided Search Aided Claimants Laid Off from Vanished Jobs.” *Employment and Training Reporter*, February 23, 2015

Burke, Cassie Walker, [“Can Free College Save American Cities?”](#) *Politico*, April 3, 2014

Caplan-Bricker, Nora, [“Some Cities Are Promising Free College to High School Students. Does It Work?”](#) *The New Republic*, February 21, 2014

Caralee Adams, [“Kalamazoo Scholarship Program Linked to Improved Student Outcomes,”](#) *Education Week*, February 18, 2014

Harding, Robin, [“US Consumer Confidence Caves since Government Shutdown.”](#) *Financial Times*, October 6, 2013