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APPOINTMENTS & AFFILIATIONS

2016 - Assistant Professor of Economics, University of California at Santa Cruz
2016 - Faculty Affiliate, The E2e Project
2014-2016 Postdoctoral Associate in Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

DEGREES

2014 Ph.D. in Economics, Texas A&M University
2008 B.S. in Economics, Texas A&M University: *summa cum laude*

RESEARCH FIELDS

Applied microeconomics, public economics, energy and environmental economics

JOURNAL ARTICLES

[“Cash for Corollas: When Stimulus Reduces Spending”](#) (2017), with Mark Hoekstra and Steve Puller. *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 9(3): 1-35.

[“Vehicle Miles \(Not\) Traveled: Fuel Economy Requirements, Vehicle Characteristics, and Household Driving”](#) (2017), with Mark Hoekstra, Jonathan Meer, and Steve Puller. *Journal of Public Economics*, 145: 65-81.

[“Effects of the Minimum Wage on Employment Dynamics”](#) (2016), with Jonathan Meer. *Journal of Human Resources*, 51(2): 500-522.

[“Efficient Retail Pricing in Electricity and Natural Gas Markets”](#) (2013), with Steve Puller. *American Economic Review: Papers and Proceedings*, 103(3): 350-355.

WORKING PAPERS

[“Does Moral Suasion Complement Pecuniary Policy?”](#) (2018), with Robert Fairlie, Bryan Pratt, and Liam Rose. [Email me for a draft.](#)

[“Racial Bias in Police Investigations”](#) (2018).

INVITED RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

2018: UC-Santa Cruz (Environmental Studies), Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE) at the Western Economic Association (June)

2017: Portland State, Illinois Urbana-Champaign CBPP, NBER Summer Institute (discussant)

2016: Allied Social Science Associations, Indiana Kelley, Kansas State, MIT CEEPR Workshop, NBER Summer Institute, NBER State Taxation of Business Income (discussant), Resources for the Future, Southern Economic Association, Clemson, Illinois Urbana-Champaign ACE, Maryland AREC, Oregon, Pittsburgh, UC-Santa Cruz

2015: MIT CEEPR Workshop, Texas A&M, UC-Berkeley Energy Institute, U. Chicago Summer Institute on Field Experiments, Michigan Transportation Economics Energy and the Environment (TE³)

2014: International Industrial Organization Conference, Michigan TE³

2013: Colorado Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop, International Industrial Organization Conference (“Rising Stars”), Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics, U. Houston State Texas Empirical Microeconomics, Tennessee Causal Effects in Environmental and Energy Economics

2012: U. Texas State Texas Empirical Microeconomics

PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

2018: UC-Berkeley POWER Conference on Energy Research, Paul Joskow Conference

2016: Texas A&M Methods in Experimental Economic Research (MEER)

2015: Allied Social Science Associations, Texas A&M MEER, NBER Summer Institute

2014: MIT CEEPR Research Workshop, NBER Summer Institute
 2013: NBER Summer Institute, UC-Berkeley POWER Conference on Energy Research
 2011: Northwestern U. Causal Inference Frequentist Methods Workshop

NON-REFEREED
PUBLICATIONS

“[Effects of the Minimum Wage on Employment Dynamics](#),” with Jonathan Meer. CATO Institute Research Briefs in Economic Policy (40): December 2015.

“[Cash for Corollas: When Stimulus Reduces Spending](#),” MIT CEEPR newsletter: November 2015.

“[Fuel Economy Requirements and Household Driving](#),” with Mark Hoekstra, Jonathan Meer and Steve Puller. *CEPR Vox*: July 2015.

“[Do Greener Cars Lead Consumers to Hit the Road More Often?](#)” with Mark Hoekstra, Jonathan Meer and Steve Puller. *The Conversation*: June 2015.

“[Did the Cash for Clunkers Stimulus Programme Reduce New Vehicle Spending?](#),” with Mark Hoekstra and Steve Puller. *CEPR Vox*: September 2014.

“[The Minimum Wage and Employment Dynamics](#),” with Jonathan Meer. Private Enterprise Research Center, Policy Brief 1301: January 2014.

“[The Minimum Wage and Employment Dynamics](#),” with Jonathan Meer. *CEPR Vox*: September 2013.

TEACHING

UCSC: ECON 170 Environmental Economics, undergraduate, 2016F, 2017S, 2018W
 ECON 250A Public and Applied Economics, graduate, Winter 2018
 ECON 259B Public Policy Analysis, graduate, Spring 2017

MIT: Environmental Policy and Economics, undergraduate, Spring 2015 and Spring 2016
 Texas A&M: Industrial Organization, undergraduate, Summer 2011

ADVISING
COMMITTEES

2016 - current: Bryan Pratt (PhD Dissertation)
 2017: Alden Phinney (Undergraduate Thesis)

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE

Reviewer: National Science Foundation
 Referee: *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, *American Economic Review*, *Berkeley Electronic Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy*, *Economic Inquiry*, *Energy Economics*, *Industrial Relations & Labor Review*, *International Journal of Industrial Organization*, *Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists*, *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *Journal of Labor Economics*, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, *Journal of Public Economics*, *Labour Economics*, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, *Resource and Energy Economics*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Scottish Journal of Political Economy*, *Southern Economic Journal*

INTERVIEWS AND
PRESS COVERAGE

Research featured in: *The Atlantic*, *The Boston Globe*, *CBS San Francisco*, *The Daily Beast*, *The Daily Caller*, *The Economist*, *Forbes*, *The Houston Chronicle*, *National Review*, *The New York Times*, *The San Francisco Gate*, *The St. Louis Post-Dispatch*, *The Tampa Bay Times*, *Quartz*, *U.S. News and World Report*, *The Wall Street Journal*, *The Washington Post*