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Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Notre Dame, 2003.

B.A. Business Economics and Political Science, University of California, Riverside, 1997.

Fields

Fields: Labor Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Demography

Sub-fields: Immigration, Immigration Policy, Economic Inequality, Entrepreneurship

Positions

Policy Expert, UCLA Latino Policy and Politics Initiative, 2020-present

Department Chair, Occidental College, 2020-2021

Professor, Occidental College, 2019-present

Associate Professor, Occidental College, 2012-2019

Visiting Scholar, Center for Comparative Immigration Studies, UC San Diego, 2013- 2014

Assistant Professor, Occidental College, 2006-2012

Published and Forthcoming Papers

- "The Role of Global Perceptions on International Student Enrollments" with Catalina Amuedo-Dorantes and Ashley Muchow forthcoming in K. Bista and C. Glass (eds.) *Studies in Global Student Mobility*, Routledge.
- "Creating an Anti-Racist Pedagogy in Principles of Microeconomics" with Fernando Lozano forthcoming in Phil Ruder and Mark Maier (eds.) *Teaching Principles of Microeconomics*, Edward Elgar Publishing.
- "Immigration Policy, Immigrant Detention, and the U.S. Jail System" with Catalina Amuedo-Dorantes. *Criminology and Public Policy*, 21 (2): 433-460, 2022.
- "Immigration, Sanctuary Policies, and Public Safety" with Catalina Amuedo-Dorantes and Thitima Puttitanun. *International Migration Review*, first published November 2021.
doi.org/10.1177/01979183211043110
- "Recent Changes in Immigration Policy and U.S. Naturalization Patterns" with Catalina Amuedo-Dorantes. *Review of Economics of the Household*, 19: 843-872, 2020.

- "Do Immigrants Delay Retirement and Social Security Claiming?," with Sita Slavov. *Applied Economics*, 52 (10): 1105-1123, 2020.
- *Mexican Immigrant Entrepreneurs in Los Angeles: Neighborhood Poverty and Segregation in the (Re-)Production of Disadvantage*, with Dolores Trevizo. Palgrave Macmillan, 2018.
- "Interior Immigration Enforcement and the Political Participation of U.S. Citizens in Mixed-Status Households" with Catalina Amuedo-Dorantes. *Demography*, 54 (6): 2223-2247, 2017.
- "The Hidden Educational Costs of Intensified Immigration Enforcement" with Catalina Amuedo-Dorantes, *Southern Economic Journal*, 84 (1): 120-154, 2017
- "Neighborhood Segregation and Business Outcomes: Mexican Immigrant Entrepreneurs in Los Angeles County" with Dolores Trevizo, *Sociological Perspectives*, 59 (3): 668-693, 2016.
- "Falling through the Cracks? Grade Retention and School Dropout among Children of Likely Unauthorized Immigrants" with Catalina Amuedo-Dorantes, *AEA Papers and Proceedings*, 105(5), 598-603, 2015.
- "Poverty Among Hispanics in the United States" in *The Economic Status of the Hispanic Population*, edited by Marie T. Mora and Alberto Davila, Information Age Publishing: 49-64, 2013.
- "Border Enforcement and Selection of Mexican Immigrants in the United States" with Fernando Lozano, *Feminist Economics*, 19(1), 2013.
- "Antipoverty Policy: The Role of Individualist and Structural Perspectives," with Gbenga Ajilore, William Darity, Jr., and Leslie Wallace, in the *Oxford Handbook of the Economics of Poverty*, edited by Philip N. Jefferson, Oxford University Press: 780-797, 2012.
- "Skilled Immigrant Women in the U.S. and the Double Earnings Penalty" *Feminist Economics*, 18(1): 99-134, 2012.
- "The Reality of Reality Television: Does Reality TV Influence Local Crime Rates?" with Lesley Chiou, *Economics Letters*, 108: 330-333, 2010.
- "The Labor Supply of Immigrants in the United States: The Role of Changing Source Country Characteristics" with Fernando Lozano, *AEA Papers and Proceedings*, 99 (2): 35-40, 2009.
- "Incorporating Service Learning Into the Economics Curriculum," *Review of Black Political Economy*, 36 (2): 37-149, 2009.
- "Mexican Immigrant Entrepreneurship in Los Angeles: An Analysis of the Determinants of Entrepreneurial Outcomes," with Dolores Trevizo in Alfonso Morales, David Torres and John Sibley Butler (eds.) *An American Story: Mexican American Entrepreneurship & Wealth Creation*, Purdue University Press, 2009.

Papers Under Review

- "How to Belong? Inclusive Practices for Beginning Instructors in the Economics Classroom" with Kirsten Wandschneider

Works in Progress

- "Evaluating the Impact of College-in-Prison Programs on the Behavior and Rehabilitation of Incarcerated Individuals" with Jorgen Harris
- "Aspiring Students Studying Economics To Succeed" with Eva Ma and Kirsten Wandschneider

Book Reviews and Other Non-peer reviewed publications

- "Book Review: The Economics of Immigration". 2016. *Applied Economics Journal*, 23 (2): 95-98.
- "Navigating the Associate Professor Years" American Society of Hispanic Economists, Hispanic Economic Outlook, Fall 2018.

Awards, Fellowships, and Grants

- Russell Sage Foundation, Presidential Research Grant, with Jorgen Harris, 2022
- John Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation, Major Research Grant, with Jorgen Harris, 2021
- Schwartz Scholar Grant, Occidental College, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021
- Robinson Scholar Grant, Occidental College, 2006-2015.
- Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation, Research Grant, 2008
- John Haynes and Dora Haynes Foundation, Faculty Research Grant, with Dolores Trevizo, 2007

Professional Activities

Editorial

- Editorial Board Member, *Feminist Economics*, January 2018-present.
- Associate Editor, *Feminist Economics*, January 2015-January 2018.

Reviewer

Review of the Economics of the Household, *Feminist Economics*, *Demography*, *Review of Black Political Economy*, *Journal of Economic Education*, *Journal of International Migration and Integration*, *International Migration Review*, *Social Science Quarterly*, *Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy*, *National Science Foundation*

Invited Seminars and Conference Presentations (Past 3 Years)

- 2022: Allied Social Science Association Annual Meeting
- 2020: California Assembly Select Committee on Latina Inequities, Informational Hearing on The Economic and Health Impacts on Latinas During the Covid-19 Pandemic; Allied Social Science Association Annual Meeting
- 2019: Western Economic Association Conference, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Conference, Allied Social Science Association Annual Meeting

Professional Affiliations

- Chair, American Society of Hispanic Economists, Communications Committee (2018-2020)
- American Society of Hispanic Economists, Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession, American Economic Association, Research Network on International Migration, ASHE Mentoring Program for Mid-Career Economists (mentor)

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