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ACADEMIC POSITION	Occidental College <i>Economics Department</i> Assistant Professor	Los Angeles, California 2025 – Present
	New York University Abu Dhabi <i>Division of Social Science</i> Post-Doctoral Associate	Abu Dhabi, UAE 2024 – 2025
EDUCATION	University of California, Davis <i>Ph.D., Economics</i>	Davis, California 2018-2024
	Middlebury College <i>B.A. (Magna Cum Laude), Economics</i>	Middlebury, Vermont 2013-2017
	Li Po Chun United World College of Hong Kong <i>I.B. Diploma</i>	Hong Kong SAR 2011-2013
FIELDS	Labor Economics, Urban Economics, Inequality, Applied Microeconomics	
WORKING PAPERS	“The Effect of Large Firm Entry on Local Skill Demand and Wage Distribution” with Layla O’Kane “The Effect of Labor Market Tightness on Recruitment Levers: A Covid Study” with Alessandro Caiumi. Reject and Resubmit. “A Retrospective Analysis of the Acquisition of Target’s Pharmacy Business by CVS Health: Labor Market Perspective” with Enas Farag, Chris Compton, Anna Stansbury, and Marshall Steinbaum. R&R.	
WORK IN PROGRESS	“Health Provider Concentration and Medical Debt” with Sergio Pinto, Marshall Steinbaum and Justin Wiltshire	
AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS	Dissertation Research Grant, <i>Russell Sage Foundation</i>	2023/24
	Doctoral Award, <i>Washington Center for Equitable Growth</i>	2023/24
	Expense Support Grant, <i>Institute for Humane Studies</i>	2023
	Dean’s Graduate Summer Fellowship, <i>UC Davis</i>	2021
	Nonresident Tuition Fellowship, <i>UC Davis</i>	2018–2021
	Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award (nominee), <i>UC Davis</i>	2021
	Davis Scholar, <i>Middlebury College</i>	2013–2017

	Rohatyn Center for Global Affairs Grant, <i>Middlebury College</i>	2016
	Jones Enrichment Fellowship, <i>Middlebury College</i>	2015
	African Gold Medal, <i>Egypt Volleyball Youth National Team</i>	2011
PRESENTATIONS	2023-2024: Eastern Economics Association; ASSA Annual Conference (poster); All-California Labor Economics Conference; UC Davis Alumni Conference Poster Session; UC Davis Applied Micro Series; Sacramento Economics Roundtable; Denison University; Occidental College	
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	Teaching Assistant, <i>University of California, Davis</i>	2018-2024
	Courses: Teaching Economics (Graduate Course); Economics of Data Analysis; Economics of Human Resources; Financial Economics; Intermediate Macroeconomics; Introduction to Macroeconomics.	
PROFESSIONAL SERVICE	Referee: <i>Journal of the European Economic Association</i>	
	Graduate Student Mentor, UC Davis Mentor-Mentee Program	2019-2024
	Mentor, Graduate Application International Network	2022-2023
	Discussant, UC Davis Global Migration Center	2020, 2022
	Middlebury Alumni Admission Program Member	2018-2022
	National Committee Member, United World Colleges	2014-2021
ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	Graduate Research Assistant for Ellora Derenoncourt, UC Berkeley	2021
	Graduate Research Assistant for Marianne Page, UC Davis	2020
	Analyst, Anti-Trust & Competition, Charles River Associates	2017 – 2018
LANGUAGES	Arabic (native), English (fluent), French (basic)	
REFERENCES	<i>Ellora Derenoncourt</i> Assistant Professor Industrial Relations Section Princeton University ellora.derenoncourt@princeton.edu	<i>Giovanni Peri</i> Professor Economics Department University of California, Davis gperi@ucdavis.edu
	<i>Katheryn Russ</i> Professor Economics Department University of California, Davis knruss@ucdavis.edu	

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