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## Education

*Harvard University*, Ph.D. Student in Economics 2016 - Present  
*Williams College*, BA Economics & Mathematics 2014

## Research Interests

Labor Economics, Law and Economics, Social Economics, Economic History

## Working Papers

Judges and Risk Scores in Bail Decisions

Uncorking Expert Reviews with Social Media: A Case Study Served with Wine (with Peter Pedroni and Steve Sheppard)

Can Laws Change Minds? The Repeal of Interracial Marriage Bans and Racial Attitudes in the United States

## Honors and Awards

Terence M. Considine Fellow in Law and Economics, Harvard Law School 2018 - 2019  
James M. and Cathleen D. Stone Ph.D. Scholar, Harvard Kennedy School 2018 - Present  
Summer Research and Travel Award, Harvard University 2018  
Research Scholarship, American Association of Wine Economists 2018  
Graduate Fellowship, Harvard University 2016 - Present  
Christophe Baron Prize, American Association of Wine Economists 2016  
Best Lightning Talk Presenter, Oxford Internet Institute Connected Life Conference 2015  
Carl Van Duyne Prize in Economics, Williams College 2014  
Phi Beta Kappa, Williams College 2014  
Economics Highest Honors, Williams College 2014  
Economics Department Class of 1960 Scholar, Williams College 2013 - 2014  
National Merit Finalist 2010  
Gold Medalist, New York City Math Fair 2008

## Non-Refereed Publications

One Size Does Not Fit All: The Shortcomings of the Mainstream Data Scientist Working for Social Good (with Sarah Levine). 2015. *Proceedings of the 2015 Bloomberg Data for Good Exchange*.

An Investigation of Quality and Hype in the Market for Wine: A Panel SVAR Approach. 2014. *Undergraduate Williams College Economics Honors Thesis*.

## Popular Writing

We analyzed every 'Modern Love' column from the past 10 years. Here's what we learned about love (with Emma Pierson). 2017. *Quartz*.

Which U.S. State Performs Best in the New Yorker Caption Contest? (with Bob Mankoff) 2015. *The New Yorker*.

## Research and Teaching Experience

Teaching Fellow for ECON 985CA, Harvard University	2018 - 2019
Empirical Research Fellow for John Donohue, Stanford Law School	2014 - 2016
Research Fellow for Yong Suk Lee, Williams College	2013
Economics Research Assistant for Sarah Jacobson, Williams College	2013
Teaching Assistant for Calculus I, Williams College	2011-2012

## Invited Talks and Presentations

2018: R-Ladies Invited Talk, American Association of Wine Economists Conference (Cornell)

2017: Enterprise Applications of the R Language Conference

2016: American Association of Wine Economists Conference (Université de Bordeaux)

2015: Oxford University Connected Life Conference, Bloomberg Data for Good Exchange, Strata+Hadoop World Conference

## Academic Service

Harvard Grad Women in Economics Core Team Member	2017 - Present
Harvard Economics Peer Mentor	2017 - 2018
MIT INSPIRE Judge	2017

## **Technical Workflow**

Data preparation (cleaning and wrangling) and statistical analysis/exploratory visualization with R markdown (advanced dplyr and ggplot2 package applications)

Reproducible and replicable presentation and paper generation with R markdown

Website development and management with R blogdown package

*Other Skills:* Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Github, Adobe Photoshop, Wordpress, MS Excel and Powerpoint