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CURRENT POSITIONS

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics
Barnard College, Columbia University (since July 2015)

Department Visitor, Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs
Princeton University (2018-2019)

Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics
New York University, 2019

AFFILIATIONS

Affiliated Faculty, Menstrual Health and Gender Justice Working Group
Columbia University (since 2015)

Affiliated Faculty, Center for Development Economics and Policy (CDEP)
Columbia University (since 2015)

External Researcher, Oxford Center for Research on Natural Resource Rich Economies (OxCarre)
University of Oxford (since 2013)

Affiliated Researcher, University of Gothenburg, Sweden (since 2016)

EDUCATION

PhD in Economics
University of Gothenburg, Department of Economics, September 2010 - May 2015.

Visiting Research Scholar
University of California at Berkeley, Department of Economics, 2013-2014

Visiting DPhil Student
University of Oxford, Department of Economics, 2012-2013

BA and MSc in Economics
University of Gothenburg, 2006-2010

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Natural Resource Economics, Economics of Gender, Economics of the Household

PUBLICATIONS

Local Industrial Shocks and Infant Mortality. *The Economic Journal*, 2018.

African Mining, Gender and Local Employment. With Andreas Kotsadam. *World Development*. 2016.

Aligning conservation efforts with resource use around protected areas. With Nandini Velho, Ruth deFries, Umesh Srinivasan and Aditi Patel. *Ambio*, 2018.

Understanding environmental, health and economic activity interactions following transition of ownership in gold mining areas in Tanzania: A case of private to public. With Sophia Rhee, Elias Charles, Madison Condon, Joshua Fisher, Theresia Maduka. *Land Use Policy* (2018)

(Book) Mining in Africa: Are Local Communities Better Off? By Punam Chuhan-Pole, Andrew L. Dabalen, and Bryan Christopher Land, in collaboration with Michael Lewin, Aly Sanoh, Gregory Smith, and Anja Tolonen. International Bank for Reconstruction and Development / The World Bank, 2017.

WORKING PAPERS

Endogenous Gender Norms: Evidence from Africa's Gold Mining Industry. 2018. OxCerre Research Paper 209.

Pupil Absenteeism, Measurement and Menstruation: Evidence from Western Kenya. With Garazi Zulaika, Elizabeth Nyothach, Clifford Oduor, Kelly Alexander, David Obor, Kayla Laserson & Penelope A. Phillips-Howard.

Extractive Industries, Production Shocks and Criminality: Evidence from a Middle-Income Country. With Sebastian Axibard and Jonas Poulsen. 2016. CDEP-CGEG Working Paper 30.

Extractive Industries and Gender: A Review. With Sarah Baum. (2017)

Norms Formation: Gold Rush and Women's Roles. With Sandra Aguilar-Gomez. (2017)

WORK IN PROGRESS

Asymmetric Information in the Household: Fathers and Child Welfare. With Eeshani Kandpal, the World Bank, and Carolin Sjöholm, University of Gothenburg.

Schooling, Stigma and Periods: Evidence from a Randomized Control Trial in Tanzania. With Sandra Aguilar-Gomes and Naomi Heller Batzer.

Seasonal Attitudes on Gender Violence. With Jesse Anttila-Hughes and Yaniv Stopnitzky, University of San Francisco.

NON-PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

African Mining, Employment and Women's Empowerment. European Center for Development Policy Management. Great Insights: Mining for Development. Volume 6. Issue 3. July/August 2017.

United Nations Research Institute for Social Development: Young Scholar Think Piece. First Series: Extractive Industries, "African Mining, Gender and Local Employment". 2014.

INVITED SEMINARS AND TALKS

IFPRI, 2019

Teachers College, Columbia University

Princeton University, 2018

Fordham University, 2018

Simon Fraser University, Department of Economics, 2018

University of Oxford, CSAE, 2018

New York University, Department of Economics, 2017

Wesleyan College, Departments of Economics, 2017

Columbia University, Department of Economics, 2016

University of Chicago, Department of Economics/EPIC, 2015

UNCTAD, Oil Gas and Mine Conference, Khartoum, Sudan, 2015

The World Bank, Governance Global Practice/Extractive Industries Group, 2014

University of Oxford, Department of Economics, 2015

Barnard College, Columbia University, Department of Economics, 2015

University of California, Berkeley, Agriculture and Resource Economics, 2014

University of California, Berkeley, Department of Economics, 2014

University of California, Berkeley, Women in Economics, 2014

University of Copenhagen, Department of Food and Resource Economics, 2014

University of Copenhagen, Department of Economics, 2014

Norwegian University of Life Sciences, School of Economics and Business, 2014

Workshop for socioeconomic impact of mining in Africa, The World Bank, 2014

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

University of Oxford, Center for the Study of African Economies, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2019

Northeastern Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016

New York Development Economics Nano-Conference (2018)

2nd IZA Workshop: Gender and Family Economics (IZA/Barnard), 2018

2nd IZA Workshop: Gender and Family Economics (IZA/Barnard) Poster session, 2018

Indiana University Bloomington, The Ostrom Workshop, 2018

American Economic Association (AEA/ASSA), 2016, 2018

Entrepreneurship and Private Enterprises in Emerging Economies (EPED), NYU, 2017

Working Group for African Political Economy (WGAPE), Stanford University, 2016

Working Group for African Political Economy (WGAPE), UC Berkeley, 2013

Liberal Arts College Development Economics (LacDEV), 2016, 2017

Annual World Bank Conference on Land and Poverty, 2013, 2015

Pacific Development (PacDev), 2014, 2017

Occasional California Workshop in Environmental and Resource Economics, UCSB, 2013

IZA and World Bank Conference on Employment and Development, Lima, 2014

European Economic Association (EEA) Conference, 2013

INVITED SPEAKER AT NON-ACADEMIC CONFERENCES

“Revisiting Conventional Assumptions: Gender and Extractives” at National Resource Governance Institute (NRGI), New York, November 2017

“Women and Extractive Industries: Exploration of Local Impacts using Global Evidence” at National Resource Governance Institute (NRGI), Lima, Peru, November 2017

“Women and Extractive Industries: Exploring the Local Impacts” at Project on Resources, Development, and Governance (PRDG) at University of California Los Angeles, September 2017

“Women and Extractive Industries: What Does Recent Evidence Show?” at United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), Oil Gas and Mine Conference, Khartoum, Sudan, 2015

“Local Industrial Shocks, Female Empowerment and Infant Health: Evidence from Africa’s Gold Mining Industry” at The World Bank, Governance Global Practice/Extractive Industries Group, Washington, D.C., 2014

FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS

Special Assistant Professor Leave Grant, Barnard College, 12,000 USD, PI

Travel Grant, Project on Resources and Governance (PRG), 8,000 USD, PI

Seed Grant The World Bank, 30,000 USD, Co-PI

The Collaborative to Advance Equity Through Research at Columbia University, USD 5,000, PI

Columbia Center for Development Economics and Policy (CDEP), USD 6,600, PI

Columbia Center for Development Economics and Policy (CDEP), USD 10,000, Co-PI

UNESCO/Sida (2015-2017), USD 20,000 (Abandoned Mines in Africa)

Barnard College Mini-grant (2016), USD 2,000 (Information Asymmetries in the Household)

Barnard College Mini-grant (2016), USD 2,000 (Access to Sanitary Products and Well-being)

Wallenberg Postdoctoral Scholarship to Stanford University (2015-2017), USD 130,000 *Declined*.

Samuelson Graduate Exchange Stipend to University of California, Berkeley (2013-2014)

Hedelius Scholarship for Postgraduate Studies to University of Oxford (2012-2013), USD 8,000

Lars Hierta Research Grant (2012-2014), USD 7,000 (Mining in Sub-Saharan Africa)

Knut and Alice Wallenberg Travel Grant (2014)

Siamon Stiftelsen Travel Grant (2014)

Adlerbertska Stipendiestiftelsen Travel Grant (2012, 2014)

Paul och Marie Berghaus Travel Grant (2012, 2013, 2014)

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Natural Resource Governance Institute (NRGI). Consultant. 2017.

The World Bank, Development Research Group (DECRG). Consultant. 2014-2015.

The World Bank, Office of the Chief Economist for the Africa Region. Consultant. 2014.

The World Bank, Office of the Chief Economist for the Africa Region. Consultant. 2015.

The Ministry for Foreign Affairs of Sweden, Unit for Multilateral Development Cooperation. The Development Bank Group. Intern. 2010.

PEER REVIEWING

American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Canadian Research Council, Development and Change; Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economic; Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Peace Research, Journal of Population Economics, The Extractive Industries and Society, Policy Studies, Resources Policy, Sustainability.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

ECON 3029 Empirical Development Economics, Barnard College, spring 2017, fall 2017
ECON 3018 Econometrics, Barnard College, spring 2017, fall 2017
ECON 2020 Introduction to Development Economics, Barnard College, spring 2016, fall 2016
ECON 2063 Women in Development Economics, Seminar, Barnard College, 2015, 2016
Microeconomics, University of Gothenburg, 2012-2013, *Teaching assistant*
Macroeconomics, University of Gothenburg, 2013, *Teaching assistant*
International Economics, University of Gothenburg, 2014, *Teaching assistant*
Transparency Initiatives in Economics (PhD level), University of Gothenburg, 2014

AFFILIATIONS AND INSTITUTIONAL SERVICE

Co-founder and Organizer: Columbia Women in Economics Network and Conference, 2018
Mentor at The Global Public Policy Network Annual Conference, SIPA, Columbia, 2018
Affiliated faculty: Project on Resources, Development, and Governance (PRDG), UCLA, 2017-
Session Organizer, American Economic Association Meeting, ASSA/AEA 2018
Session Organizer, American Economic Association Meeting, ASSA/AEA 2016
CeMENT Mentoring for Junior Faculty, 2017-
Barnard Center for Research on Women (BCRW), Barnard College, *Advisory Board*
Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in Social Sciences (BITSS)
Center for the Study of African Economies (CSAE), *Affiliated Researcher* (2012)

LANGUAGES

Swedish (native), English (fluent), French (fluent), Spanish (proficient), Swahili (basic)

SOFTWARES

Stata, R, SPSS, Latex, QGIS, ArcGIS, Adobe Illustrator, MS Office.

ONLINE OUTREACH

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