**Publications**


**Work In Progress**

“Economics Instruction and Government- and Market-Attitudes” (with Sandra Goff and Homa Zarghamee).


**Education**

Ph.D. in Economics, University of California, Berkeley, California, 2004
Dissertation: “Workfare, Job Training, and Welfare Caseloads”
Committee: Alan Auerbach (chair), Emmanuel Saez, and Steven Raphael
Fields: Public Finance and Advanced Microeconomic Theory

M.P.A., Columbia University, New York, New York, 1993
Concentration: Advanced Management Techniques

B.S. (with high distinction), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Michigan, 1989
Majors: Computer Science and Psychology

Awards and honors
Recipient, Sustainability Grant, Santa Clara University, 2021.
Recipient, Faculty Research Course Release Program. Grant entitled: “The Impact of Narratives and Conceptual 'Frames' on Opinions and Decision-Making: Evidence Regarding Negative Externality.” Also, received $2,000 of funding.
Recipient, University Research Grant, Santa Clara University, “Effects of an Online Poverty Simulation on Attitudes toward People in Poverty and Willingness to Take Action on Poverty” (with Christine Bachen, Pedro Hernandez-Ramos, and Chad Rafael), 2017.
Recipient, Exceptional Service Award, Leavey School of Business, Santa Clara University, 2015, 2014.
Recipient, Faculty-Student Research Assistance Program, Santa Clara University, 2012.
Recipient, Award for Best Public Policy Dissertation, Economics Department, Univ. of California, Berkeley, 2004.
Recipient, Burch Center Dissertation Fellowship, Department of Economics, Univ. of California, Berkeley, 2002.
Recipient, Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship, Univ. of California, Berkeley, 2001.
Recipient, Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor Award, Univ. of California, Berkeley, 2000.

Professional experience
Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA
Associate Professor of Economics, 2017-present
Assistant Professor of Economics, 2011-2017
Courses: Economics of Poverty & Inequality, Economics of the Public Sector, Economics Seminar, Principles of Microeconomics, and Intermediate Economics
Research Fellow, IZA (Institute for the Study of Labor), 2016-present
Fellow, Global Labor Organization (GLO), 2020-present
Faculty Director of Undergraduate Business Programs, Leavey School of Business, Santa Clara University, 2018-present
Director, Civil Society Institute, Leavey School of Business, Santa Clara University, 2018-present
Scholar, Economic Justice and the Common Good Institute, Bannan Institute, Santa Clara University, 2016-2018
Faculty Associate, Collaborative for Teaching Innovation, Santa Clara University, 2016-2017
Visiting Fellow, Brookings Institution, Summer 2013
Visiting Faculty, George Mason University, Summer 2013
Adjunct Assistant Professor of Economics, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, 2008-2011
Lecturer & Senior Lecturer, Santa Clara University, Santa Clara, CA, 2005-2008
Conferences and seminars


Session organizer (12 sessions), presenter (2 sessions), discussant (1 session), and chair (2 sessions), Western Economic International Association Conference, Virtual, June 2021. Papers entitled: “Do nominations close the gender gap in competition?” (with Homa Zarghamee) and “Support for Bigger Government: The Principle-Implementation Gap and COVID-19” (with Sandra Goff, Homa Zarghamee, Alex Reents, and Patrick Wade).


Invited presenter, University of San Diego, San Diego, CA, November 23, 2020. Paper entitled “Do nominations close the gender gap in competition?” (with Homa Zarghamee)

Session organizer (11 sessions) and chair, Western Economic International Association Conference, Denver, CO, June 2020. (CANCELLED DUE TO COVID).

Session organizer (16 sessions) and chair, Western Economic International Association Conference, San Francisco, California, June 2019.

Co-organizer, Bay Area Behavioral and Experimental Economic Workshop (BABEEW), University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA, May 2019. 30 scholars participated in the workshop and 18 presented their research.


Co-organizer and presenter, Bay Area Behavioral and Experimental Economic Workshop (BABEEW), University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA, May 2018. 40 scholars participated in the workshop and 28 presented their


Session organizer (6 sessions), presenter, and chair, Western Economic International Association Conference, Honolulu, HI, June 2015. Paper entitled: “Others’ Income, Subjective Well-Being, and Health: Evidence from the Gallup Daily Poll” (with Carol Graham and Homa Zarghamee).

Co-organizer, Bay Area Behavioral and Experimental Economic Workshop (BABEEW), Santa Cruz, CA, May 2015. 70 scholars participated in the workshop and 36 presented their research.

Session organizer (5 sessions), presenter, and chair, Western Economic International Association Conference, Denver, CO, June 2014. Paper entitled: “Impact of Relative and Absolute Income on Happiness: A Laboratory Investigation” (with Lina Diaz, Dan Houser, and Homa Zarghamee).

Co-organizer and presenter, Bay Area Behavioral and Experimental Economic Workshop (BABEEW), Palo Alto, CA, May 2014. 50 scholars participated in the workshop and 38 presented their research. Paper entitled: “Gender and Competition in a Task without Agency” (with Homa Zarghamee).


Session organizer (8 sessions), presenter, and chair, Western Economic International Association Conference, Seattle, CA, June 2013. Papers entitled: "The Life Satisfaction of Those Approaching Retirement Age and the Great Recession: Evidence from the Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System" (with Amanda Taylor) and “Positive Affect and Overconfidence: A Laboratory Investigation” (with Homa Zarghamee).

Co-organizer, Bay Area Behavioral and Experimental Economic Workshop (BABEEW), San Francisco, CA, May 2013. 50 scholars participated in the workshop and 36 presented their research. Paper entitled: “Positive Affect and Overconfidence: A Laboratory Investigation” (with Homa Zarghamee).


Participant, Teaching Innovations Program Workshop, San Antonio, TX, June 2008.

Professional service

Associate editor, the Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, 2019-present

Associate editor, International Review of Economics, 2019-present

Western Representative, Society for the Advancement of Behavioral Economics (SABE), 2013-present

Chair, Leavey School of Business Undergraduate Leadership Team, 2018-present (department representative, 2014-2017)

Committee member, Program Review of Minerva University (Social Science Program), 2020

External Referee for Tenure Promotion Cases, Dr. Sandra Goff (Skidmore College, August 2020), and Dr. Rong Rong (University of Massachusetts, Amherst, September 2019)

Member, Leavey School of Business Dean’s Search Committee, 2020-2021

Member, Santa Clara University Academic Integrity Task Force, 2018-2020

Member, Business School Promotion to Senior Lecturer Committee, 2019-present

Member, Sabbatical Review Committee, 2019-present

Faculty Advisor, Santa Clara University Economics Student Association, 2012-present

Course coordinator, Principles of Microeconomics (Economics 1), 2012-present

Member, Academic Integrity Taskforce, 2018-2020

Member, Economics Department Hiring Committee, 2012-2013, 2018-2019

Organizer, Department Seminar (“Yellow Pad”), 2013-2014

Undergraduate research supervision

Supervise honors theses


Reader honors theses


Undergraduate advising
Advise students, undeclared undergraduate business students and economics majors


Community service

Flip the Vote (formerly Flip the House), Oakland, CA
Founder, 2018-present (raised $6+m to register, engage, and turn out under represented voters)

Board of Directors, Jewish Community Center of the East Bay, Berkeley, CA
Immediate Past President, 2016-2020
President, 2013-2016
Vice-president, 2011-2013
Chair, Development committee, 2010-present
Director, 2009-present

Parent Teacher Association, Claremont Middle School, Oakland, CA
Co-Vice President of Fundraising, 2016-2018
Treasurer, 2014-2016
Secretary, 2013-2014

Board of Directors, BlueSkies for Children, Oakland, CA
President, 2007-2010
Co-Chair, Capital campaign (raised $1.6m), 2005-2008
Co-President, 2004-2007
Director, 2004-2013

Affiliations

Member, American Economic Association, Economics Sciences Association, Royal Economic Society, Western Economic Association International