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## **EDUCATION**

2004–09 Ph.D. Economics, University of California—Irvine  
2004–06 M.A. Mathematical and Behavioral Sciences, University of California—Irvine  
1999–03 B.S. Economics, Arizona State University

## **EMPLOYMENT**

### **Academic employment**

2011– Post-doctoral Fellow, German Institute for Economic Research, Department of Development and Security

### **Other professional experience**

2007–11 Consultant, World Bank  
2010–11 Consultant, International Labour Organization

### **Teaching**

2005–08 University of California—Irvine, Department of Economics and School of Business

## **RESEARCH**

### **Peer reviewed published papers**

- “Economic Perspectives on Civil Wars”, with Stergios Skaperdas. Handbook on the Political Economy of War, edited by Christopher J. Coyne and Rachel L. Mathers, Edward Elgar Publishing Limited, 2011.
- “Measuring Sustainability: Why the Ecological Footprint is Bad Economics and Bad Environmental Science”. Ecological Economics, 2008, 67(4), 519-525.
- “Meeting the Demand: An Estimation of Potential Future Greenhouse Gas Emissions from Meat Production”. Ecological Economics, 2008, 67(3), 412-419.

### **Other publications**

- “Monitoring and Evaluation of Youth Livelihoods Programs: A Practical Guide to Impact Evaluation”, with Kevin Hempel. World Bank, 2011.
- “The Greenhouse Hamburger: How Our Diet Matters More Than Our Cars”. Scientific American Magazine, February 2009, pgs. 72-75.
- “Measuring Sustainable Energy: Getting the Numbers Right”. Handbook of Sustainable Energy, edited by W. H. Lee and V. G. Cho, Nova Publishers, 2010, pgs 701-706.

### **Working papers and papers under review**

- “Youth, employment and social stability: Evidence from a post-war job training experiment in Uganda”, with Christopher Blattman and Sebastian Martinez.
- “The Economic Consequences of Forced Displacement”. Update of “The Consequences of Forced Displacement in Northern Uganda”, Households in Conflict Network (HiCN) Working Paper 65.
- “Measuring Social Reintegration after Conflict”, with Michal Bauer and Ian Levely.
- “Bringing the Bank to the Doorstep: Uptake among the Poor in a Financial Inclusion and Training Program”, with Santadarshan Sadhu and Leopold Sarr.
- “Rainfall and Economic Growth”, with Cullen Hendrix.

### **Works in progress**

- Evaluation of NUSAF, a peace and reconciliation grant program in northern Uganda, to develop concrete research on fundamental questions about the nature of enterprise development, poverty alleviation, community governance, and post-conflict recovery.
- Evaluation of an entrepreneurial training program in Uganda to understand the importance of entrepreneurial training in business success.
- Evaluation of a financial literacy training program in India to develop evidence of the impact of quick training of financial tools on savings account uptake and savings behavior.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

- “Recovery or Trapped in Poverty? The Economic Consequences of Forced Displacement in Northern Uganda” Royal Economic Association. Egham, UK, April 20, 2011.
- “Can State Employment Programs Reduce Poverty and Social Instability? Experimental evidence from Uganda” Center for the Study of African Economies. Oxford, UK, March 20, 2011.
- “Recovery or Trapped in Poverty? The Economic Consequences of Forced Displacement in Northern Uganda” American Economic Association. Denver, Colorado, January 7, 2011.
- “Using Knowledge to Increase Savings: Evaluation of a Financial Education Program in India” World Bank conference on Monitoring and Evaluation of Financial Literacy & Education Programs. Montevideo, Uruguay, October 5, 2010.
- “Impact of Skills Training in Northern Uganda: Preliminary results from non-Migrants” World Bank conference on Evaluating the Impact of Social Protection Policies in Africa: Turning Promises into Evidence. Accra, Ghana, May 27, 2010.
- “Impact of Skills Training in Northern Uganda: Preliminary results from non-Migrants” 5<sup>th</sup> IZA/World Bank Conference: Employment and Development. Cape Town, South Africa, May 4, 2010.

- “The Consequences of Forced Displacement in Northern Uganda” Fifth Households in Conflict Network Workshop hosted by DIW. Berlin, Germany, February 2, 2010.
- “The Value of Peace: An Estimate of the Welfare Effect of Military Spending” Center for Global Peace and Conflict Studies Graduate Student Panel, December 14, 2007.
- “Economic and Environment Impact of Meat Consumption”. The Fourth Annual Graduate Student Conference on Social Choice and Behavioral Sciences, May 26, 2006.
- “The Dangers to Democracy in the Third World”. Democracy and Its Development, organized by the Center for the Study of Democracy, University of California, Irvine, February 26, 2005.
- Graduate Student Conference, Department of Economics, UC Irvine (2006, 2007, 2008).

#### **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

- Referee for Review of Economic Studies, Journal of Development Economics, Ecological Economics, Journal of Environmental Management and Agriculture, Ecosystems and Environment
- Affiliate of the Households in Conflict Network.
- Member of American Economic Association and Association of Environmental and Resource Economists