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FIELDS Labor Economics, Econometrics

EDUCATION Ph.D. in Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2009–2014
M.Sc. in Economics, University of Jyväskylä, 2008
B.Sc. in Economics, University of Jyväskylä, 2005–2008

EXPERIENCE Assistant Professor of Economics, Columbia University, 2014–present
Research Assistant to Professors Joshua Angrist and Parag Pathak, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2009–2013
Researcher, Government Institute for Economic Research, 2009
Visiting Researcher, Government Institute for Economic Research, 2008
Assistant Researcher, Finnish Institute of Occupational Health, 2008
Research Trainee, Labour Institute for Economic Research, 2008
Research Assistant to Professor Jaakko Pehkonen, University of Jyväskylä, 2007–2008
Assistant Researcher, Finnish Institute of Occupational Health, 2007
Research Trainee, Labour Institute for Economic Research, 2007

AFFILIATIONS Columbia University Committee on Economics of Education, 2014–present
MIT School Effectiveness and Inequality Initiative, 2011–present
Helsinki Economics of Education Research Group, 2011–present

TEACHING

Columbia University (Instructor):

G6451 The Economics of Labor I (Graduate), Fall 2014, Fall 2015

W3412 Introduction to Econometrics (Undergraduate), Fall 2014, Fall 2015, Fall 2016

Massachusetts Institute of Technology (Teaching Assistant):

14.04 Intermediate Microeconomic Theory (Undergraduate), Fall 2011, Fall 2012

14.32 Econometrics (Undergraduate), Spring 2012, Fall 2012

14.33 Research and Communication in Economics (Undergraduate), Fall 2011

14.64 Labor Economics and Public Policy (Undergraduate), Spring 2014

14.387 Topics in Applied Econometrics (Graduate), Spring 2011, Spring 2013, Spring 2014

DEPARTMENTAL
SERVICE

Member of the Ph.D. Awards Committee, Columbia University, 2016–2017

Organizer for the Applied Micro & Labor Workshop, Columbia University, 2016–2017

Member of the Junior Faculty Recruiting Committee, Columbia University, 2015–2016

Organizer for the Applied Micro Research Methods Colloquium, Columbia University, Fall 2015, Fall 2016

Member of the Graduate Admissions Committee, Columbia University, 2014–2015

Member of Several Dissertation Committees, Columbia University, Spring 2015, Spring 2016

AWARDS,
GRANTS &
SCHOLARSHIPS

National Science Foundation Grant SES 1559058: “Non-Standard Issues in Regression Discontinuity Designs,” with Francois Gerard and Christoph Rothe, 2016–2018.

Scholarship for Graduate Studies in Economics, Yrjö Jahansson Foundation, 2008, 2009, 2010

Award for Successful Undergraduate Studies, Jyväskylän kauppaseura, 2009

PRESENTATIONS

2016: Annual Meeting of the Society of Labor Economists, Atlantic Causal

Inference Conference, Econometric Society North American Winter Meeting, Georgetown University, University of Turku

2015: Columbia University, INSEAD, Joint Statistical Meetings, IZA Conference on Labor Market Policy Evaluation, University of Jyväskylä, UT Austin

2014: Boston University, Columbia University, Dartmouth College, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Institute for International Economic Studies, London School of Economics, Michigan State University, Norwegian School of Economics, Teachers College, UC San Diego, University of Warwick, University of Western Ontario, Uppsala University

2013: Annual Meeting of the Society of Labor Economists, Cage Conference: Human Capital and Productivity, Helsinki Center of Economic Research, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2012: Annual Conference of the European Association of Labour Economists, Annual Meeting of the Society of Labor Economists, Helsinki Center of Economic Research, Network for Higher Education and Innovation Research, Nordic Summer Institute in Labor Economics

2009: Annual Meeting of the Finnish Economic Association, Annual Meeting of the Society of Labor Economists, Government Institute for Economic Research, Ministry of Employment and the Economy, Summer Meeting of Finnish Economists

REFEREEING

American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Review, B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Econometrica, Journal of Business & Economic Statistics, Journal of Econometrics, Journal of the American Statistical Association, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Research on Educational Effectiveness, National Science Foundation, Oxford Bulletin of Economic and Statistics, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

“Wanna Get Away? Regression Discontinuity Estimation of Exam School Effects Away from the Cutoff,” with Joshua Angrist, *Journal of the American Statistical Association* (2015), 110(512), 1331–1344.

“Changes in Job Stability – Evidence from Lifetime Job Histories,” with Roope Uusitalo, *Finnish Economic Papers* (2013), 26(2), 36–55.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

“Ekstrapolointi ja estimointitajuuden valinta regressioepäjatkuuusasetelmassa,” *Kansantaloudellinen aikakauskirja* (2014), 3, 428–430.

“Katosivatko elinikäiset työpaikat?,” with Roope Uusitalo, *Talous ja Yhteiskunta* (2010), 38(1), 16–21.

“Vuorotteluvapaaajärjestelmän työllisyysvaikutukset,” with Teuvo Junka, Ossi Korkeamäki, & Roope Uusitalo, *Työ- ja elinkeinoministeriön julkaisuja* (2009), 35.

“Teollisuuden toimihenkilöiden liikkuvuus ja sen palkkavaikutukset,” with Merja Kauhanen & Sami Napari, *Talous ja Yhteiskunta* (2009), 37(1), 40–47.

WORKING
PAPERS

“Bounds on Treatment Effects in Regression Discontinuity Designs with a Manipulated Running Variable, with an Application to Unemployment Insurance in Brazil,” with Francois Gerard and Christoph Rothe, submitted (2016).

“Exam Schools, Ability, and the Effects of Affirmative Action: Latent Factor Extrapolation in the Regression Discontinuity Design,” revise and resubmit at *Econometrica* (2015).

“Adaptive Bandwidth Choice for the Regression Discontinuity Design,” in progress (2014).

OTHER
INFORMATION

Computer Skills: Excel, HTML, Java, LaTeX, LyX, Mathematica, PowerPoint, R, SAS, SPSS, SQL, Stata, Word

Languages: Finnish (native), English (fluent), Swedish (basic)

Finnish Citizen, U.S. Permanent Resident