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Curriculum Vitae (April, 2012)

**CURRENT INFORMATION**

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**EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Economics, University of Maryland, 2007  
M.A. Economics, University of Maryland, 2004  
B.A. Economics (Honors), Columbia University, *cum laude*, 2004

**EMPLOYMENT**

Assistant Professor, University of Houston, Department of Economics, 2007 – current.

**PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER), 2011 – current.  
Research Network Affiliate, CESifo, 2011 – current.  
Research Associate, Center for Public Policy, University of Houston, 2007 – current.

**FIELDS OF INTEREST**

Economics of Education, Public Economics, Health Economics, Labor Economics

**PUBLICATIONS**

"Katrina's Children: Evidence on the Structure of Peer Effects from Hurricane Evacuees"  
(with Adriana Kugler and Bruce Sacerdote). *American Economic Review*, forthcoming.

"Dressed for Success? The Effect of School Uniforms on Student Achievement and  
Behavior" (with Elisabetta Gentile). *Journal of Urban Economics*, 71(1), 2012.

"Poor Results for High Achievers: Hard Evidence on The Impact of Gifted and Talented  
Programs" (with Sa Bui and Steven Craig). *Education Next*, 12(1), 2012.

"The Effect of Charter Schools on Achievement and Behavior of Public School Students"  
*Journal of Public Economics* 95(7-8), 2011.

“Achievement and Behavior in Charter Schools: Drawing a More Complete Picture.” *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 93(2), 2011.

“Why Are the DI Rolls Skyrocketing? The Contribution of Population Characteristics, Program Changes, and Economic Conditions” in *Health at Older Ages*, University of Chicago Press, 2008. (with Mark Duggan)

## **WORKING PAPERS AND PAPERS UNDER REVISION**

"Does it Pay to Get an A? School Resource Allocations in Response to Accountability Rankings" (with Steven Craig and Adam Purdue). Revise and resubmit at *Journal of Urban Economics*.

"Impact of Bilingual Education Programs on Limited English Proficient Students and Their Peers: Regression Discontinuity Evidence from Texas" (with Aimee Chin and N. Meltem Daysal).

“The Effect of Providing Breakfast on Achievement and Attendance: Evidence from an In-Class Breakfast Program” (with Adriana Kugler). NBER Working Paper No. 17720. *Under review*.

“Is Gifted Education a Bright Idea? Assessing the Impacts of Gifted and Talented Programs.” (with Sa Bui and Steven Craig) NBER Working Paper No. 17089. *Under review*.

"What is the Return to Attending a Non-Elite Private College?" (with Shreyasee Das)

"Are There Returns to Attending a Private College or University?"

## **WORKS IN PROGRESS**

“Dynamic Effects of Teacher Incentive Pay Awards: Evidence from a Rank Order Tournament” (with Michael Lovenheim)

“Incentive Strength and Teacher Productivity: Evidence from a Group-Based Teacher Incentive Pay System” (with Michael Lovenheim)

“The Effect of Home Visits on Student Performance”

"Does the Market Value Value-Added? Evidence from Housing Prices after Public Release of Teacher Value-Added" (with Michael Lovenheim)

“Technological Innovation in Education: An Experiment in the Use of Computer Tablets in Schools” (with Bruce Sacerdote and Jee-Yeon Lehmann)

## **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

2012: Association for Education Finance and Policy Annual Meeting, Institute for Research on Poverty Summer Research Workshop (scheduled).

2011: American Economic Association Annual Meeting , American Education Research Association (poster), Association for Education Finance and Policy Annual Meeting (formerly AEFA), Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Meeting, CESifo Economics of Education Conference, Georgetown Public Policy Institute, National Academy of Education Annual Meeting, NBER – Economics of Education Meeting, Michigan State University, Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting, Tilburg University.

2010: American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Carnegie Mellon University, Institute for Research on Poverty Summer Research Workshop, UC San Diego, University of Maryland, University of Texas – Dallas Texas Schools Project, Texas Camp Econometrics

2009: American Education Finance Association, Baylor University, Federal Reserve Bank of NY, NBER - Spring Economics of Education Meetings, Stanford University - School of Education , Texas A&M, UC Merced , University of Texas - Austin

2008: American Education Finance Association, Public Choice Society, NYU – Institute for Education and Social Policy, Society of Labor Economists (poster), Southern Economics Association, Texas Camp Econometrics.

2007: Georgia State University, Mathematica, RAND, Stanford University (SIEPR), University of Houston, UNC - Chapel Hill (Public Policy), Urban Institute, Virginia Tech, American Education Finance Association, Econometric Society Summer Meetings.

2006: American Education Finance Association, Association for Policy Analysis and Management, Southern Economics Association, University of Maryland.

2004: NBER Disability Group – Charleston, SC

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Undergraduate: Public Economics, Intermediate Microeconomics

Graduate: Public Economics

## **AWARDS AND HONORS**

Nominated for CESifo Young Affiliate Award – Economics of Education, 2011

American Education Finance Association Jean Flannigan Outstanding Dissertation Award, 2008

American Education Finance Association New Scholars Award, 2008

American Education Research Association - Finalist for Division L Dissertation Award, 2008

UCLA Center on Education Policy and Evaluation Pre-Dissertation Fellowship, 2004–2006  
Graduate Assistantship, University of Maryland, 2002 – 2007

## GRANTS

National Academy of Education / Spencer Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship, 2010 – 2012  
(\$55,000).

University of Houston Small Grant, 2009 (\$2,100) – “Dynamic Effects of Teacher Incentive  
Pay: Evidence from a Rank Order Tournament”

University of Houston New Faculty Research Grant, 2008 (\$6,000) - “Katrina’s Children:  
Evidence on the Structure of Peer Effects from Hurricane Evacuees”

University of Houston Provost’s Travel Grant – 2008, 2009, 2011 (\$3,500)

## SERVICE

NSF External Reviewer, 2011

Applied Micro Recruiting Committee, 2010

Co-Organizer for CPP Brown-Bag Seminars, University of Houston, 2008 - 2010

Health Recruiting Committee, University of Houston, 2007

Graduate Studies Committee, Student Representative, University of Maryland, 2005–2007

Co-Chair of Economics Graduate Students Association, University of Maryland, 2003–2004

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

American Economic Association, Association for Education Finance and Policy, Society of  
Labor Economists

## REFEREE

*American Economic Journal – Applied Economics, American Economic Journal – Economic  
Policy, Berkeley Electronic Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Criminology,  
Economics of Education Review, Economic Inquiry, Economic Policy Review, Education  
Administration Quarterly, Education Economics Journal, Education Next, Educational  
Evaluation and Policy Analysis, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of  
Economics and Management Strategy, Journal of Human Capital, Journal of Human  
Resources, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management,  
Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Urban Economics, Labour Economics, Public  
Choice, Review of Economics and Statistics*

## GRADUATE ADVISING (with first job) \* denotes chair or co-chair.

Sa Bui\*, *Cornell University (postdoc).*

Adam Perdue, *current.*

Elisabetta Gentile, *National University of Singapore (fellowship).*

Shreyasee Das, *University of Wisconsin - Whitewater.*

Sule Celik, *San Francisco State University (lecturer).*