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Current Employment

Postdoctoral Scholar at the University of Chicago

Education

- 2015 Ph.D. in Economics, Harvard University
Economics PhD Dissertation: “*Heterogeneity in Markets and Games*”
Dissertation Committee: David Cutler, Roland Fryer, Edward Glaeser,
Nathaniel Hendren, David Laibson
- 2015 M.A. in Economics, Harvard University
- 2008 B.A. in Economics, University of Chicago
Economics Honors BA Thesis: *Iterative Thinking by Facebook Users*
GPA: 3.96/4.00

Publications

- K. Hult, S. Jaffe, and T. Philipson, “How Does Technological Change Affect Quality-Adjusted Prices in Health Care? Evidence from Thousands of Innovations,” *American Journal of Health Economics* (Forthcoming).
- B. Edelman, S. Jaffe, and S. D. Kominers, “To Groupon or not to Groupon: The profitability of deep discounts,” *Marketing Letters*, vol. 27, no. 1, 2016.
- S. Jaffe and E. G. Weyl, “The first-order approach to merger analysis,” *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*, vol. 5, no. 4, 2013.
- S. Jaffe and S. D. Kominers, “Discrete choice cannot generate demand that is additively separable in own-price,” *Economics Letters*, vol. 166, no. 1, 2012.
- S. Jaffe and E. G. Weyl, “Price theory and the merger guidelines,” *CPI Antitrust Chronicle*, vol. 3, no. 1, 2011.
- B. Edelman, S. Jaffe, and S. D. Kominers, “To Groupon or not to Groupon: New research on voucher profitability,” *Harvard Business Review [Blog]*, 2011.
- S. Jaffe and E. G. Weyl, “Linear demand systems are inconsistent with discrete choice,” *Berkeley Electronic Journal of Theoretical Economics: Advances*, vol. 10, no. 1, 2010.

Working Papers

- S. Jaffe and M. Shepard, “Price-linked subsidies and health insurance markups.” 2017.
- S. Jaffe and A. Malani, “The Welfare Implications of Health Insurance.” 2017.
- S. Jaffe and S. Weber, “The Effect of Meeting Rates on Matching Outcomes .” 2017.
- D. Batzilis, S. Jaffe, S. Levitt, J. A. List, and J. Picel, “How Facebook can deepen our understanding of behavior in strategic settings: Evidence from a million rock-paper-scissors games.” 2017.
- S. Jaffe and S. Kominers, “Matching markets with taxation of transfers.” 2016.

Honors

- 2014 Bradley Fellowship, *Lynde and Harry Bradley Foundation*
- 2012-2013 Pre-doctoral Scholar, *Becker Friedman Institute*
- 2012 IQSS Graduate Fellowship, *Institute for Quantitative Social Sciences*
- 2011-2014 NSF Graduate Fellowship, *National Science Foundation*
- 2011 Terence M. Consideine Fellow in Law and Economics,
John M. Olin Center for Law, Economics, and Business
- 2009-2011 Presidential Scholar Fellowship, *Harvard University*
- 2008 DG Johnson BA Thesis Award, *University of Chicago*
- 2007 Phi Beta Kappa in junior year, *University of Chicago*

Invited Talks

- 2017 Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
- 2015 University College London; University of Glasgow; University of Wisconsin – Madison; University of Chicago
- 2013 University of Wisconsin-Madison; Rotman School of Management, University of Toronto
- 2012 Managerial Economics and Decision Sciences Department, Northwestern University

Conferences and Workshops

Presenting

- 2017 The 15th Annual International Industrial Organization Conference; The Health Care Markets Conference, Kellogg School of Management; International Health Economics Association Biannual Congress
- 2016 NBER Health Care Program Meeting; The Health Sector and the Economy, University of Chicago; The 6th Biennial Conference of the American Society of Health Economists, UPenn; Conference on Optimization, Transportation and Equilibrium in Economics, NYU
- 2014 Optimal Transport, Equilibrium, and Applications to Economics, Fields Institute for Research in Mathematical Sciences
- 2013 Workshop on Advances in Market Design, Paris School of Economics, AEA Annual Meetings: Demand Systems and Imperfect Competition
- 2012 Matching Problems: Economics Meets Mathematics, Becker Friedman Institute; AEA Annual Meetings: Merger Analysis and Policy
- 2011 The 4th Annual Federal Trade Commission Microeconomics Conference; The 4th Annual Searle Research Symposium on Antitrust Economics and Competition Policy; The 9th Annual International Industrial Organization Conference

Organizing

- 2012 Merger Analysis and Policy, session at the AEA Annual Meetings
2011 Segregation: Measurement, Causes, and Effects, a conference of the *Inequality: Measurement, Interpretation, and Policy Network*

Discussing & Chairing 2017 International Health Economics Association Biannual Congress

- 2011 Conference on Market-Based Models of Matching, Milton Friedman Institute;
The 9th Annual International Industrial Organization Conference

Experience

- 2011-2012 Teaching assistant, *Price Theory at the University of Chicago*
2011-2012 Undergraduate advisor, *Harvard Economics department*
2010 Student Assistant (Economics), *Bureau of Economics, FTC*
2006-2008 Research Assistant, *University of Chicago for Steven Levitt*

Other Professional Activities

Refereeing

The B.E. Journal of Theoretical Economics; Econometrica; Economics Theory; Economics Bulletin; Economics Letters; European Economic Review; Games; International Journal of Industrial Organization; Journal of Economic Theory; Journal of Industrial Economics; Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization; Management Science; OMEGA; The RAND Journal of Economics.

Membership

American Economics Association; American Society of Health Economists; International Health Economics Association.