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Employment

2012 – present	Assistant Professor of Economics and Finance, Graduate School of Business, Columbia University
2013 – present	Affiliated faculty member, Department of Economics, Columbia University

Professional organizations

2014 – present	Lead Academic, Liberia Country Program, International Growth Centre

Education

2006 – 2012	PhD Economics, UC Berkeley
Fall 2008	Price Theory Scholar, Becker Center, University of Chicago
2005 – 2006	MA International & Development Economics, Yale University
2002 – 2005	BSc Economics, London School of Economics

Research interests

Development Economics, Labor Economics

Ongoing papers and projects

"Ethnic Divisions and Production in Firms", revise and resubmit, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*

Winner of the 2013 CESifo Prize for best paper in Applied Microeconomics
CESifo working paper 4449, CDEP working paper 006

"Universal Investment in Infants and Long-run Health", working paper, with Mikkel Sølvsten and Miriam Wüst

"Firms' Response and the Health Consequences of Industrial Regulations", work in progress, with Chris Hansman and Gianmarco Leon

"Determinants and Consequences of Firm Growth in Liberia", work in progress

"The Static and Dynamic Allocation of Jobs", work in progress, with Tarek Ghani and Sylvan Herskowitz

"Backlash: Female Employment and Domestic Violence", work in progress, with Espen Villanger

Publications

"Pre-Colonial Culture, Post-Colonial Economic Success? The Tswana and the African Economic Miracle", *The Economic History Review,* vol. 63:3, 688–709, Aug. 2010

Teaching
The Private Sector and International Development (MBA, Executive MBA), Graduate School of Business, Columbia University: spring 2013, spring 2014

Grants

2013	$33,000 for "Determinants…" from The IGC
2013	$53,000 for "The Static…" from PEDL
2013	$20,000 for "The Static…" from Columbia GSB Dean's Seed Funding
2013	$20,000 for "Firms' Response…" from CIBER
2010	UCB Institute of Business and Economics minigrant
2009	UCB Center for African Studies Rocca grant, Russell Sage Foundation Behavioral Economics Roundtable Small Grant
2007	The Central Bank of Norway Fund for Economic Research grant

Fellowships and awards

2013	CESifo Prize for best paper in Applied Microeconomics
2012	Journal of Development Economics Prize for outstanding dissertation in the area of development economics, UC Berkeley 2012
2009-2011	The Hewlett/IIE Dissertation Fellowship
2009-2010	Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellowship
2008-2009	The Norway-America Association's King Olav V Birthday Fund Award
2007-2008	The American-Scandinavian Foundation Graduate Fellowship
2007-2008	The National Gift (C. Michelsen Institute Scholarship)

Affiliations
Center for Development Economics and Policy, CESifo, Chazen Institute for International Business, BREAD

Refereeing
American Economic Review, Journal of Political Economy, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of African Economies, Scandinavian Journal of Economics

Invited presentations
2014: World Bank DRG
2013: Harvard University / MIT, LSE, UPF, Uppsala
2012: Columbia GSB / Econ, Stanford GSB, University of Michigan, Penn State, Cornell, Wharton, Stockholm IIES, Kellogg, Warwick, Chicago Booth
2011: PopPov Conference (Marseilles)
2010: Chicago, Norwegian School of Economics and Business, University of Oslo 2009: World Bank / IZA conference on Evaluation of Labor Market Programs in Developing Countries (Bonn), Working Group on African Political Economy (WGAPE) conference (Berkeley)

Personal information
Citizenship: Norway and Denmark
Languages: English, Danish, Norwegian, Spanish (intermediate)