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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Senior Fellow, Freeman Spogli Institute for International Studies
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ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Editor, Economic Development and Cultural Change, (2013- present)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Affiliate, J-Pal (2018 - present)
- Research Associate, NBER (2014 - present)
- Affiliate, CEGA (2014 - present)
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- Senior Fellow, BREAD (2013 - present)
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Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

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Teaching

COURSES

2019-20

- Development Economics I: ECON 214 (Aut)

2018-19

- Development Economics II: ECON 215 (Spr)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

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Publications

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