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Professional Experience

Conley DeAngelis Family Professor of Education. Stanford University School of Education. (2008 to present).

Senior Fellow. Stanford University Hoover Institution. (2023 to present).

Faculty Director. Stanford/Aspen Institute Comm. College Presidential Fellowship. (2015-2023).

Section (Department) Chair. Social Science, Humanities, and Interdisciplinary Policy Studies in Education. Stanford University. (2017 to 2023).

Co-Director. Lemann Center for Entrepreneurship and Educational Innovation in Brazil, Stanford University. (2012 to present).

Faculty Director. Center for Education Policy Analysis, Stanford University. (2018-present)

Affiliate, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (2015–present).

Research Associate. National Bureau of Economic Research. (2003–present).

Assoc./Asst. Professor of Economics. Case Western Reserve. (2000-2008).

Other Current Affiliations include Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research, Stanford Center for International Development, Center for Analysis of Postsecondary Education and Employment at Teacher's College, Center for the Analysis for Postsecondary Readiness at Teacher's College, CESifo

Education

Ph.D. Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 2000

Honorary Phd. University of Zurich, 2022

B.A. Economics, Brigham Young University, 1996. Magna cum Laude, Honors

Peer-Reviewed Articles

Patrick Lehnert, Michael Niederberger, Uschi Backes-Gellner, and Eric Bettinger (2023) "Proxying economic activity with daytime satellite imagery: Filling data gaps across time and space" *PNAS Nexus* 2(4):1-10.

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- Baker, Rachel, Eric Bettinger, Brian Jacob, and Ioana Marinescu, (2018) "The Effect of Labor Market Information on Community College Students' Major Choice." *Economics of Education Review* 65(C): 18-30. [equal authorship].
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- Bettinger, Eric (2012) "Paying for Performance in Grade School: Evidence from a Policy Experiment" *Review of Economics and Statistics* 94 (3), 686-698.
- Bettinger, Eric, Michael Kremer, and Juan Saavedra (2010) "How Do Vouchers Work? Evidence from Colombia." *Economic Journal* 546(08): F204-F228. [equal authorship].
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- Bettinger, Eric and Robert Slonim (2006), "Using Experimental Economics to Measure the Effects of a Natural Educational Experiment on Altruism," *Journal of Public Economics* 90(8-9): 1625-1648. [equal authorship].
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Edited Volumes

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Book Chapters

- Kim, Moonhawk, Jim Shen, Laura Wentworth, Norma Ming, Michelle Reininger, and Eric Bettinger. (2020). "The Stanford-SFUSD Partnership: Development of Data-Sharing Structures and Processes." In: Cole, Dhaliwal, Sautmann, and Vilhuber (eds), Handbook on Using Administrative Data for Research and Evidence-based Policy.
- Bettinger, Eric and Betsy Williams (2015) "Federal and State Financial Aid during the Great Recession" *How the Financial Crisis and Great Recession Affected Higher Education*. Jeffrey Brown and Caroline Hoxby, Eds. University of Chicago Press, pp. 235-262.
- Zimmer, Ron and Eric Bettinger. (2014). "Getting Beyond the Rhetoric: Surveying the Evidence of Vouchers and Tax Credits" In *Handbook of Research in Education Finance and Policy*, ed. Helen Ladd, and Edward Fiske. Note that this is an updated version of our 2007 chapter.
- Bettinger, Eric (2012) "Financial Aid: A Blunt Instrument for Increasing Degree Attainment." In *Getting to Graduation: The Completion Agenda in Higher Education*, Andrew Kelly and Mark Schneider, Eds. John Hopkins Press.
- Bettinger, Eric (2011) "Educational Vouchers in International Contexts" in *The Handbook of the Economics of Education, Volume 4*, ed. Eric Hanushek, Stephen Machin, and Ludger Woessmann, Elsevier.
- Bettinger, Eric (2010) "To Be or Not to Be: Major Choices in Budding Scientists" in *The American University in the Global Economy*. Ed. Charles Clotfelter. University of Chicago Press, pp. 69-100.
- Bettinger, Eric (2010) "Instrumental Variables," *International Encyclopedia of Education*. Statistics Volume. Elsevier Press. pp. 223-228.
- Bettinger, Eric and B. T. Long. (2007) "Institutional Responses to Reduce Inequalities in College Outcomes: Remedial and Developmental Courses in Higher Education." In Stacy Dickert-Conlin and Ross Rubenstein, Eds. *Economic Inequality and Higher Education: Access, Persistence, and Success.* New York: Russell Sage Foundation. [equal authorship]
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- Bettinger, Eric. "Evaluating Educational Interventions in Developing Countries." (2006) in *Educating All Children: A Global Agenda*, ed. Joel E. Cohen, David E. Bloom, and Martin B. Malin. MIT Press.
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- Bettinger, Eric and Robert Slonim, "The Effects of Educational Vouchers on Student Overconfidence." (2005) *Field Experiments in Economics*, ed. Glenn Harrison, Elsevier. [equal authorship].
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- Bettinger, Eric, "Is the Finish Line in Sight? Financial Aid's Impact on Retention and Graduation." (2004) in *College Choices: The Economics of Where to Go, When to Go, and How to Pay For It*, ed. Caroline M. Hoxby, Chicago University Press and NBER.

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- Bettinger, Eric, Nina Cunha, Guilherme Lichand, and Ricardo Madeira, "Are the Effects of Informational Interventions Driven by Salience?" Conditionally accepted *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*.
- Lichand, Guilherme, Eric Bettinger, Nina Cunha, and Ricardo Madeira, "The Psychological Effects of Poverty on Investments in Children's Human Capital." Under Submission.
- Lehnert, Patrick, Madison Dell, Uschi Backes-Gellner, and Eric Bettinger "The Effect of Postsecondary Educational Institutions on Local Economies: A Bird's-Eye View" Under Submission.
- Balakrishnan, Sidhya, Eric Bettinger, Michael S Kofoed, Dubravka Ritter, Douglas A Webber, Ege Aksu, Jonathan S Hartley, "Navigating Higher Education Insurance: An Experimental Study on Demand and Adverse Selection" Under Submission.
- Fidjeland, Andreas and Eric Bettinger. "College Rankings, Labor Market Outcomes, and Alumni Satisfaction" Revise and Resubmit at Education Economics.
- Bettinger, Eric, Monica Lee, and Bridget Terry Long. "Connecting Students with Financial Aid: The Impact of Information on Aid Renewal and Postsecondary Persistence" Under Submission.
- Lichand, Guilherme, Eric Bettinger, Elliott Ash, Ana Ribeiro, Carlos Doria and David Yeager, "Measuring Student Mindsets at Scale in Resource-constrained Settings: A Toolkit with an Application to Brazil during the Pandemic" Revise and Resubmit and Journal of Research on Adolescence.

Public and Professional Service and Awards

Chair. US Department of Education College Completion Network. (Sep 2017-December 2022)

Chair. Stanford Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Financial Aid (September 2020 to September 2022)

Vice-Chair. Stanford Non-medical IRB. (October 2019-present).

Associate Editor. *Journal of Human Capital* (March 2016-October 2019)

Associate Editor. Journal of Labor Economics. (Jan 2009–Feb 2017).

Associate Editor. Economics of Education Review. (Aug 2006–December 2013).

Editorial Board. Education Finance and Policy. (June 2010 to present).

Editorial Board. Planejamento e Políticas Públicas (Jan 2015 to present)

Editorial Board. AERA Open (Oct 2014 to May 2019)

Advisory Board. Swiss Leading House for Economics of Education, Firm Behaviour and Training Policies. (July 2014 to present).

Guest Lecturer. Taught week-long intensive courses on designing experiments at University of Stavanger, University of Zurich, University of Cuenca, and Higher School of Economics in Moscow.

Juan Luis Londoño Prize for best paper LACEA 2015 for "Educational, Labor Market, and Fiscal Impacts of Scholarships for Private Secondary School: Evidence from Colombia."

Visiting Fellow. American Academy of Arts and Science. (Fall 2002).

Weatherhead School of Management, Best Junior Faculty Paper 2002-03. "The Effects of School Vouchers on Students: Evidence from Colombia"