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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Associate Professor (with tenure), Economics Dept., UC Berkeley	July 2020 -
Associate Professor, Haas School of Business (Real Estate), UC Berkeley	July 2024 -
Assistant Professor, Economics Dept., UC Berkeley	July 2015-June 2020
Postdoctoral Scholar, Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley	July 2014-June 2015

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## OTHER POSITIONS

Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research (ITI)	May 2016 -
Research Fellow, Centre for Economic Policy Research	June 2016 -
Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics, Sciences Po	2020-2021

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## EDUCATION

Ph.D, Economics, Princeton University	September 2014
M.Sc., Applied Mathematics and Economics, Corps des Télécoms, France	June 2002
B.Sc., Applied Mathematics and Economics, École Polytechnique, France	June 2000

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## PUBLICATIONS

**"Place-Based Redistribution"** with Pat Kline, Damian Vergara and Danny Yagan (American Economic Review, October 2025, 115(10): 3415–3450)

**"Optimal Spatial Policies"** with Pablo Fajgelbaum (Handbook of Urban and Regional Economics, Volume 6, 2025)

**"Income Growth and the Distributional Effects of Urban Spatial Sorting"** with Victor Couture, Jessie Handbury and Erik Hurst (Review of Economic Studies, 2024)

**"Spatial Sorting and Inequality"** with Rebecca Diamond (Annual Review of Economics, 2022)

**"Granular Comparative Advantage,"** with Oleg Itskhoki (Journal of Political Economy, 2021)

**"Government Policies in a Granular Global Economy"** with Oleg Itskhoki and Maximilian Vogler (Journal of Monetary Economics, 2021)

**"Trends in U.S. Spatial Inequality: Concentrating Affluence and a Democratization of Poverty"** with Pat Kline, Damian Vergara and Danny Yagan (AEA Papers and Proceedings, May 2021)

**"Optimal Spatial Policies, Geography and Sorting"** with Pablo Fajgelbaum (Quarterly Journal of Economics, 2020)

**"Tourism and Economic Development: Evidence from Mexico's Coastline"** with Benjamin Faber

(American Economic Review, 2019)

**"Firm Sorting and Agglomeration"** (American Economic Review, 2018. Lead article.)

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### **WORKING PAPERS**

**"Responsible Sourcing? Theory and Evidence from Costa Rica"** with *Alonso Alfaro-Urena, Ben Faber, Isabela Manelici and Jose Pablo Vasquez* (R&R at the American Economic Review, second round)

**"Political Preferences and Transport Infrastructure: Evidence from California's High-Speed Rail"** with *Pablo Fajgelbaum, Nicole Gorton, Eduardo Morales and Edouard Schaal* (R&R at the American Economic Review)

**"Place-Based Policies: Lessons from Theory"** with *Pablo Fajgelbaum* (forthcoming in *The Economics of Place-Based Policy*, ed. C. Gaubert, G. Hanson and D. Neumark, University of Chicago Press)

**"Sorting to Expensive Cities"** with *Frédéric Robert-Nicoud* (working paper)

**"Structural Transformation of Land and the Carbon Balance"** with *Nicolas Coeurdacier and Emeric Henry* (working paper)

**"Mobile Internet and Market Integration"** with *Victor Couture, Ben Faber, Yizhen Gu, Ming Li and Wei Lin* (working paper)

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### **TEACHING**

Econ 101A Microeconomics Theory (undergraduate), UC Berkeley	2017-present
Econ 280D Topics in Trade and Economic Geography (PhD), UC Berkeley	2016-present
Econ 255 Spatial Economics (PhD), UC Berkeley	2023-present
Economic Geography (PhD), University of Zurich	2023
JIE Summer School (PhD), Milano	2026

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### **EDITORIAL WORK**

Associate Editor, American Economic Review	January 2024–
Associate Editor, Econometrica	July 2023–
Associate Editor, Journal of Political Economy	July 2021–
Guest Editor, Journal of International Economics	2022–2023
Associate Editor, Journal of International Economics	July 2018–2023

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### **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Co-Director, Clausen Center for International Business and Policy, UC Berkeley (2024–)

Co-editor, *The Economics of Place-Based Policy* (with Gordon Hanson and David Neumark), University of Chicago Press (forthcoming)

Co-organizer, NBER Summer Institute, ITI Meeting (2024–2025)

Co-organizer, NBER Winter Meeting (2024)

Sloan Economics Advisory Committee (2024–)

Program Chair, UEA North American Conference (2023)

Member of the Program Committee, Econometric Society Winter Meeting (2022)  
 Member of the AEA 2021 Program Committee  
 Member of the Board of the Urban Economics Association (July 2019–2023)  
 Member of the Program Committee, IGC/Stanford Conference on Firms, Trade and Development ('19–'22)  
 Member of the Program Committee, Urban Economics Association Annual Meetings ('18, '19, '20)  
 Member of the Program Committee, Society of Economic Dynamics Meetings (Toulouse, 2016)  
 Co-organizer, West Coast Trade Workshop (Berkeley, 2016)

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**HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS**

Fellow, Econometric Society	2025
Keynote Speaker, Urban Economics Association Annual Meeting	2025
Keynote Speaker, CEPR Public Economics Conference, Cologne	2025
UC Institute of Transportation Studies Grant	2023
Keynote Speaker, SMU Conference, Singapore	2022
National Science Foundation CAREER Award	2020-2025
Sloan Research Fellowship	2020-2022
Excellence in Refereeing Award, ReSTUD	2021
August Lösch Prize for outstanding academic research in Regional Science	2020
Excellence in Refereeing Award, ReSTUD	2019
Berkeley Opportunity Lab Grant on Place-Based Policies	2019
Fisher Center for Real Estate and Urban Economics Grant, UC Berkeley	2015-2020
Clausen Center Fellowship, UC Berkeley	2015-2020
Harry G. A. Seggerman '49 Prize in International Economics	2011 - 2012
John Parker Compton Memorial Fellowship in International Relations	2011
Princeton IES Summer Grant	2011, 12, 13
Princeton University Graduate School Fellowship	2009 - 2011
Ecole Polytechnique Fellowship	1997 - 2000

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**SEMINAR AND CONFERENCE INVITATIONS**

2026: USC, University of Washington

2025: Princeton, Columbia, OASIS (discussant), UEA Annual Meeting, CEPR Public Economics Conference, Cologne, Princeton-Chicago Spatial Economics Conference, Princeton IES workshop (discussant)

2024: Stanford, UW Madison, Sydney, Princeton IES workshop (discussant)

2023: ASSA, UBC, West Coast Trade Workshop, Penn State, Toronto, San Francisco Fed, Michigan, Princeton IES workshop (discussant)

2022: ASSA, Princeton workshop on the The Spatial Dimension of Economic and Political Inequality, MIT, Georgetown, Princeton IES workshop (discussant), UCSD, SecGeo, Princeton-Chicago spatial conference, UC Davis, Chicago, SMU conference

2021: TSE, Geneve, ENS Lyon, UCLA-SF Fed conference (discussant), Princeton, Northwestern, Cornell, CREST, World Bank

2020: Brown, Dartmouth, TSE, University of Virginia, Women in Macro conference, Paris Trade Seminar, Online Urban seminar, Nottingham, MIT, UEA meetings

2019: LSE, University of Warwick, University of Edinburgh, Oxford University, Penn State, NYU trade jamboree, AEA Meetings (Atlanta), Princeton IES Summer Workshop, NBER Summer Institute (ITI, ITM (discussant)), Dallas Fed and University of Houston Macro Conference (discussant), NYU, USC, UCLA

2018: St Louis Fed Macro Workshop, IDB, Minneapolis Fed, NBER EG Small Group Spring meeting, Princeton IES Summer Workshop, NBER Summer Institute (ITI, MPF), IIES Stockholm, UEA Meetings (NYC), Philadelphia Fed, Notre Dame, Yale

2017: CREI Barcelona, UBC, Simon Fraiser, Maryland, New York Fed, Johns Hopkins, UC Davis, Chicago Booth, Princeton IES Summer Workshop (discussant), Richmond Fed, Dallas Fed and University of Houston Macro Conference, MIT

2016: Georgetown, Toronto, Duke University, Stanford University, NBER Summer Institute (ITI, Dev, PRPD, Growth), Princeton IES Summer Workshop, SED Meetings (Toulouse), Banque de France Workshop on Granularity, World Bank, AEA Meetings (San Francisco)

2015: UCLA, USC, Yale, UCSD, Minneapolis Fed, UCSC, UEA Meetings (Portland), IGC-SCID conference (Stanford), Duke-ERID Conference on Spatial Equilibrium in Economics, AEA Meetings (Boston)

2014: Harvard, Brown, Columbia, Berkeley Econ, Berkeley Haas, Stanford GSB, Chicago Econ, Chicago Booth, Northwestern, Michigan, U Penn, Wharton, Yale, LSE, Harvard Kennedy School, NBER Summer Institute (ITI), Penn State New Faces in International Economics, UEA Meetings (DC)

2013: Toulouse School of Economics, Science-Po (Paris)

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## **WORK EXPERIENCE**

SFR - Vodafone (Mobile Phone Operator), France and California Business Strategy Manager	2006 - 2009
ARCEP (French Regulatory Body for Telecommunications), France Team Manager, Broadband Regulation Division	2004 - 2006
Operations Engineer, Broadband Regulation Division	2002 - 2004