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CURRENT APPOINTMENT

Associate Professor (with tenure), 2020-

– University of California-Merced, Department of Economics

PAST APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor, 2014-2020

– University of California-Merced, Department of Economics

Research Associate (Mentor: Jason Fletcher), 2013-2014

– University of Wisconsin-Madison, Center for Demography and Ecology

Postdoctoral Associate (Mentor: Jason Fletcher), 2012-2013

– Yale University, School of Public Health

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Economic Development and Growth; Health; Macrogenoeconomics.

EDUCATION

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA USA

– Ph.D., Economics, 2012

– Dissertation (Advisor: Areendam Chanda): Investigating the Role of Genetic Variation in Explaining Long Run Economic Outcomes

– M.S., Economics, 2009

– B.S., Economics (Concentration in Empirical Studies), 2006

ACCEPTED AND PUBLISHED PAPERS

- (10) Cook, C.J., & Shah, M. (2020). Aggregate Effects from Public Works: Evidence from India. Accepted at *The Review of Economics and Statistics*.
- (9) Cook, C.J., Forgues, A., & Fletcher, J. (2019). Multigenerational effects of early life health shocks. *Demography*, 56, 1855-1874.
- (8) Cook, C.J., & Fletcher J. (2018). High-school genetic diversity and later-life student outcomes: micro-level evidence from the Wisconsin Longitudinal Study. *Journal of Economic Growth*, 23, 307-339.
- (7) Cook, C.J. (2015). The natural selection of infectious disease resistance and its effect on contemporary health. *The Review of Economics and Statistics*, 97, 742-757.
- (6) Cook, C.J., & Fletcher, J. (2015). Understanding heterogeneity in the effects of birth weight on adult cognition and wages, *Journal of Health Economics*, 41, 107-116.
- (5) Cook, C.J., & Fletcher, J. (2015). Can education rescue genetic liability for cognitive decline? *Social Sciences and Medicine*, 127, 159-170.
- (4) Cook, C.J. (2014). The role of lactase persistence in precolonial development. *Journal of Economic Growth*, 19, 369-406.

- (3) Cook, C.J. (2014). Potatoes, milk, and the Old World population boom. *Journal of Development Economics*, 110, 123-138.
- (2) Chanda, A., Cook, C.J., & Putterman, L. (2014). Persistence of fortune: Accounting for population movements, there was no post-Columbian reversal. *A EJ: Macro*, 6, 1-28 [lead article].
- (1) Cook, C.J., & Fletcher, J. (2014). Interactive effects of in utero Nutrition and genetic inheritance on cognition: New evidence using sibling comparisons. *Economics and Human Biology*, 13, 144-154.

WORKING PAPERS

- (2) Chanda, A. & Cook, C.J. (2020) Was India's Demonetization Redistributive? Insights from Satellites and Surveys.
- (1) Cook, C.J., & Fletcher, J. (2020). Using heterogeneity in resistance to estimate the impact of antibiotics on US economic development.

SEMINARS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 2020: Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad (October; online).
- 2019: University of Wisconsin: AAE (January); Clemson University (November).
- 2018: *Western Economic Association*: Vancouver (June); *Southern Economics Association*: Washington, D.C. (November).
- 2016: Southern Methodist University, Dept. of Economics (November); University of Wisconsin, Development Economics Workshop (September); *Western Economic Association*: Portland (June).
- 2015: Northwestern University, Economic History Seminar (October); *Southern Economics Association*: New Orleans (November); *Integrating Genetics and the Social Sciences*: University of Colorado (October).
- 2014: *Southern Economics Association*: Washington, D.C. (November); Louisiana State University, Dept. of Economics (November); *Integrating Genetics and the Social Sciences*: University of Colorado (October); *Population Association of America*: Boston, MA (May); Marquette University, Dept. of Economics (March).
- 2013: University of Wisconsin, Center for Demography and Ecology (October); *Integrating Genetics and the Social Sciences*: University of Colorado (October); University of Wisconsin, Development Economics Workshop (September); *Deep Determinants of International Comparative Development*: Brown University (May); University of Connecticut, Dept. of Economics (April); Tulane University, Dept. of Economics (April); *Population Association of America*: New Orleans, LA (April); *Midwest International Economic Development Conference*: Madison, WI (April); Brown University, Macroeconomics Lunch (February).
- 2012 and earlier: *Integrating Genetics and the Social Sciences*: University of Colorado (August 2012); *Southern Economics Association*: Washington, D.C. (November 2012); *Integrating Genetics and the Social Sciences*: University of Colorado (June 2011); *LSU Brown Bag Meeting*: LSU (January 2011); *LSU Third Year Paper Presentation*: LSU (May 2009).

PROFESSIONAL AND UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- Journal Referee: *American Journal of Human Biology*, *Economic Development and Cultural Change*, *Economic Inquiry*, *Economic Modeling*, *Economics and Human Biology*, *European Economic Review*, *European Review of Economic History*, *International Journal of Public Health*, *Israel Science Foundation*, *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Economic Growth*,

Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Oxford Economic Papers, The Review of Economics and Statistics, Social Science and Medicine, Social Sciences Quarterly.

- (Inaugural) Graduate Chair, UC-Merced, 2019-
- Economics Dept. Seminar co-organizer, UC-Merced, 2016-2017
- Search Committee, UC-Merced, 2015-2016 & 2016-2017
- Undergraduate Council, 2017-2019

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- University of California, Merced (Instructor): Money, Banking, and Financial Markets (Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Summer 2016, Spring 2017, Summer 2017, Summer 2018, Spring 2019, Summer 2019, Spring 2020, Summer 2020, Fall 2020); Introduction to Economics (Summer 2016); Economic Growth (Spring 2017, Spring 2018, Spring 2019).
- Louisiana State University (Instructor): Money, Banking, and Financial Markets (Fall 2010, Spring 2011, Fall 2012, Spring 2012); Principles of Macroeconomics (Fall 2009, Spring 2010, Summer 2011); Principles of Economics (Fall 2008); Principles of Microeconomics (Summer 2012).
- Louisiana State University (Teaching Assistant): Introduction to Econometrics (Spring 2008, Fall 2009, Spring 2009); Intermediate Macroeconomics (Spring 2008).

REFERENCES

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