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Academic Positions

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics at Michigan State University	2017 –
Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Economics at Harvard University	2014 – 2017
Visiting Scholar, NOM Unit at Harvard Business School	2014 – 2017

Education

California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA

Ph.D., Social Science (Economics), June 2013

Thesis: *Essays in Behavioral and Neuroeconomics*

University of Oregon, Eugene, OR

B.S., Economics, June 2007

Cum Laude, With Department Honors in Economics

Research

Publications

Hutcherson, Cendri, Bushong, Benjamin, and Rangel, Antonio. "A Neurocomputational Model of Altruistic Choice and Its Implications." *Neuron*, 2015, 87:451-462.

Bushong, Benjamin, Lindsay M. King, Colin C. Camerer, and Antonio Rangel. "Pavlovian Processes in Consumer Choice: The Physical Presence of a Good Increases Willingness-to-Pay." *American Economic Review*, 2010, 100:1-18.

Working Papers

"Misattribution of Reference Dependence: Evidence from Real-Effort Experiments" (with Tristan Gagnon-Bartsch)

"Learning With Misattribution of Reference Dependence" (with Tristan Gagnon-Bartsch)

"A Model of Relative Thinking" (with Matthew Rabin and Joshua Schwartzstein)

Works in Progress

"Comparison Sets" (with Matthew Rabin and Joshua Schwartzstein)

Teaching

Michigan State University

Behavioral Economics (undergraduate course)

2017 –

Grants and Awards

Grants

Co-Principal Investigator, “Learning with Misattribution of Reference Dependence”, Foundations for Human Behavior Initiative, Administered by Harvard University, \$5000, 2016–2017

Principal Investigator, “Using Machine Learning to Understand Sexual Assault within the U.S. Army”, Department of Defense - HQDA, Administered by the Army Analytics Group Research Facilitation Laboratory, \$325,055.38, 2014–2016

Awards

National Science Foundation IGERT Fellowship 2009 – 2013

Invited Visiting Scholar, Center for Behavioral Economics, NUS 2013

Invited Visiting Scholar, University of California, Berkeley 2010 – 2011

Russell Sage Behavioral Economics Summer Institute 2010

Shaaf Fellowship for Research in Neuroscience 2008 – 2009

Project Compassion Fellowship, Stanford University 2008

Invited Talks

Since 2016 (alphabetical)

Boston College, Boston University School of Management, Caltech, Cornell University, Harvard Business School, Michigan State University, Norwegian School of Economics (NHH), Stanford University, SITE Experimental Economics, University of Calgary, University of Tennessee, UCSD Rady School of Management

Upcoming

Purdue University, University of Michigan

Referee Service

Science, Nature, American Economic Review, Econometrica, Review of Economic Studies, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Economic Journal, Games and Economic Behavior, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Journal of Economic Psychology, Management Science, RAND Journal of Economics, Sage ONE, Scandinavian Journal of Economics