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## Employment

Post-Doctoral Fellow, University of Rochester	2021-2022
Assistant Professor, Boston College	2022-

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## Education

<b>University of Wisconsin-Madison, Madison, WI</b>	
Ph.D in Economics	May 2021
Master of Science in Economics	Dec 2017
<b>Swarthmore College, Swarthmore, PA</b>	June 2013
Bachelors of Arts with High Honors in Economics and Psychology	

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## Published Papers

Persico, Claudia L., and **Joanna Venator**. "The effects of local industrial pollution on students and schools." *Journal of Human Resources* 56, no. 2 (2021): 406-445.

Patnaik, Arpita, **Joanna Venator**, Matthew Wiswall, and Basit Zafar. "The Role of Heterogeneous Risk Preferences, Discount Rates, and Earnings Expectations in College Major Choice." 2020. *Forthcoming, Journal of Econometrics*.

Previous version: [NBER Working Paper w26785](#), February 2020

**Venator, Joanna** and Jason Fletcher "Undue Burden Beyond Texas: An Analysis of Abortion Clinic Closures, Births, and Abortions in Wisconsin." 2020. *Forthcoming, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*.

Previous version: [NBER Working Paper w26362](#), October 2019

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## Working Papers

"Dual-Earner Migration Decisions, Earnings, and Unemployment Insurance" (JMP)

"Concentrating on His Career or Hers?: Descriptive Evidence on Occupational Agglomeration and Spousal Matching."

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## Works in Progress

"The Effects of Contraceptive Access on Male Outcomes," *with Jason Fletcher*

"Gender is Not Enough: The Impacts of Alumni Speakers on Interest in Economics," *with Arpita Patnaik, Gwyn Pauley, and Matthew Wiswall*

"Gender Differences in Economics Majors" *with Arpita Patnaik, Gwyn Pauley, and Matthew Wiswall*

"Migration and the Family," *with Garret Anstreicher*

"Monopsony in the Market for Teachers"

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## Policy Papers

Sawhill, Isabel, and **Joanna Venator**. "Reducing Unintended Pregnancies for Low-Income Women." in *Policies to Address Poverty in America*, ed. Melissa Kearney and Benjamin Harris (2014): 37-44.

Reeves, Richard and **Joanna Venator**. "Sex, Contraception, or Abortion? Explaining Class Gaps in Unintended Childbearing." Brookings Working Paper, February 2015.

Sawhill, Isabel, **Joanna Venator**, and Quentin Karpilow. "The Impact of Unintended Childbearing on Future Generations." Brookings Working Paper, Sept 12, 2014

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## Research Experience

## University of Wisconsin- Madison

Project Assistant, Prof. Jason Fletcher  
Project Assistant, Prof. Claudia Persico

Aug 2018 to June 2020  
Jan 2017 to July 2018

## Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago

Summer Fellow

June 2019- Aug 2019

## Brookings Institution | Washington DC

Research Assistant, Center for Children and Families  
Managing Editor, Social Mobility Memos

June 2013 to July 2015  
May 2014 to July 2015

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## Teaching Experience

Research Mentor, Masters Student Summer Working Group

Summer 2020

Guest Lecture, University of Wisconsin Madison

ECON 390: The Economics of Growing Up, Spring 2019, Prof. Gwyn Pauley  
ELPA 940 Economics of Education, Spring 2018, Prof. Claudia Persico

Spring 2018, 2019

Freelance Curriculum Design and Writer, Complexly Inc | Missoula, MT

Educational Video Series, Crash Course Sociology  
25 videos, Playlist available at: <http://bit.ly/2GZL3rF>

Nov 2016 to Jan 2018

Teaching Assistant, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Intermediate Microeconomic Theory

Fall 2016  
Prof. Korinna Hansen

Teaching Assistant, University of Wisconsin-Madison  
Principles of Microeconomics

Fall 2015, Spring 2016  
Prof. Korinna Hansen

Teaching Assistant, Swarthmore College  
Econometrics

Fall 2012  
Prof. Phillip Jefferson

Teaching Assistant, Swarthmore College  
Introduction to Economics

Fall 2011  
Prof. Vera Brusentsev

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## Invited Paper Presentations *( † indicates cancelled due to COVID 19)*

2021: University of Iowa, Norway School of Economics, Boston College, Arizona State University, Colby College, Oxford University, Western University, University of Southern California, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, University of Rochester, Wharton Real Estate, Federal Reserve Board, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, University of Georgia, Federal Reserve Bank of Philadelphia, UC-Irvine, Population Association of America (PAA), Society of Labor Economics (SOLE), Penn State Economics of Education Seminar

2020: Society of Economics of the Household (SEHO), SOLE, IWPR and American University Working Group on the Economics of Reproductive Health<sup>†</sup>, PAA, Health, History, Demography and Development (H2D2) Research Day, Midwest Economics Association<sup>†</sup>; Young Economists Symposium 2020, Urban Economics Association PhD Workshop; APPAM Fall Conference; Washington State Employment Security Department; Washington Center for Equitable Growth Grantee Conference; Harvard Graduate Panel: 'Heterogeneity by Gender - Evidence from JMPs'

2019: APPAM Fall Conference, 14th Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, H2D2 Research Day

2018: UW Madison Labor Seminar; APPAM Fall Conference

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## Honors and Fellowships

2020: Institute for Research on Poverty Dissertation Fellowship; Washington Center for Equitable Growth  
Doctoral Grant

2019: AEA Summer Dissertation Fellowship, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago; Alice S. Gengler Graduate  
Fellowship

2018: Culbertson Field Paper Scholarship, Christensen Research Award, Mary Claire Aschenbrenner Phipps  
Dissertator Fellowship

2017: Juli Plant Grainger Summer Research Fellowship, Susan Jane Blake Kocin Scholarship in Labor  
Economics

Pre- 2017: Phi Beta Kappa (2013), Sigma Xi Research Fellowship (2011)

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## **Affiliations**

Graduate Research Fellow, Institute for Research on Poverty	2017 to 2021
Pre-Doctoral Trainee, Center for Demography and Ecology	2018 to 2021
UW-Madison Collaborative for Reproductive Equity	2018 to 2021
US Census Special Sworn Status	2018 to present

## **Service**

Referee: Demography, Journal of Housing Economics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Education  
Economics

Alumni Liaison Officer, Wisconsin Economics Graduate Organization (WEGO), 2017 to 2020

- Organized Student Poster Session, Wisconsin Alumni Conference 2018, 2019, 2020<sup>†</sup>

Founder/Board Member, Wisconsinites for Inclusion and Diversity in Economics (WIDE), 2018 to 2020

- Coordinated events with outside speakers; Developed and implemented department-wide climate  
survey; Planned student enrichment events

## **Additional Information**

U.S. Citizen

Programming: Matlab, Stata, Julia, Python, LaTeX, ArcGIS