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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Oklahoma (January 2018 – present)
- Senior Researcher, Center for Effective Global Action, U.C. Berkeley (June 2012 – December 2017)
- Visiting Scholar, Department of Global Health, Milken Institute School of Public Health, George Washington University (Fall 2016)
- Postdoctoral Fellow, Center for Effective Global Action, U.C. Berkeley (Fall 2009 – May 2012)

## EDUCATION

- Ph.D. in Economics, University of California, Berkeley, 2009
- Visiting Student in Politics, Philosophy and Economics, Pembroke College, Oxford University, 2000-2001
- B.A. in Quantitative Economics and International Relations (*Summa cum laude*), Tufts University, 2002

## PUBLISHED JOURNAL ARTICLES

- (1) “Randomized control trial as social observatory: A case study” (with S. Baird and O. Ozier), *World Development* (2020), 127. doi: 10.1016/j.worlddev.2019.104787.
- (2) “Do Restrictive Gender Attitudes and Norms Influence Physical and Mental Health during Very Young Adolescence? Evidence from Bangladesh and Ethiopia” (with S. Baird, Z.A. Bhutta, B.A. Hamad, N. Jones, and J. Muz), *SSM-Population Health* (2019), 9. doi: 10.1016/j.ssmph.2019.100480.
- (3) “Should the WHO withdraw support for mass deworming?” (with K. Croke, E. Hsu, M. Kremer and E. Miguel), *PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases* (2017), 11(6): e0005481. doi: 10.1371/journal.pntd.0005481.
- (4) “Worms at Work: Long-run Impacts of a Child Health Investment” (with S. Baird, M. Kremer, and E. Miguel), *Quarterly Journal of Economics* (2016), 131(4): 1637-1680. doi: 10.1093/qje/qjw022.
- (5) “Commentary: Assessing long-run deworming impacts on education and economic outcomes: a comment on Jullien, Sinclair and Garner (2016)” (with S. Baird, M. Kremer, and E. Miguel), *International Journal of Epidemiology* (2016), 45(6): 2153-2156. doi: 10.1093/ije/dyw350.

- (6) “Women as Policy Makers and Donors: Female Legislators and Foreign Aid” (with D. Hicks and B. Maldonado), *European Journal of Political Economy* (2016), 41: 46-60. doi: 10.1016/j.ejpoleco.2015.10.007.
- (7) “The Case for Mass Treatment of Intestinal Helminths in Endemic Areas” (with M. Kremer and E. Miguel), *PLOS Neglected Tropical Diseases* (2015), 9(10): e0004214. doi: 10.1371/journal.pntd.0004214.
- (8) “Commentary: Deworming externalities and schooling impacts in Kenya: a comment on Aiken et al. (2015) and Davey et al. (2015)” (with M. Kremer and E. Miguel), *International Journal of Epidemiology* (2015), 1-4. doi: 10.1093/ije/dyv129.
- (9) “When Should Governments Subsidize Health? The Case of Mass Deworming” (with A. Ahuja, S. Baird, M. Kremer, E. Miguel, and S. Powers), *World Bank Economic Review* (2015), 29 (suppl 1): S9-S24. doi: 10.1093/wber/lhv008. Earlier version posted as *NBER Working Paper* w21148.
- (10) “Are Female Politicians More Responsive to International Crises?” (with D. Hicks and B. Maldonado), *Applied Economics Letters* (2015), 22 (6): 493-498. doi: 10.1080/13504851.2014.952884.
- (11) “Jealous of the Joneses: Conspicuous Consumption, Inequality, and Crime” (with D. Hicks), *Oxford Economics Papers* (2014), 66(4): 1090-1120. doi: 10.1093/oeq/gpu019. [This article has been cited in *The Atlantic*, *The Boston Globe*, *The Economist*, and *A Blog Called Wonk*.]

## **PUBLISHED BOOK CHAPTERS**

- (1) “Exploring the Role of Evolving Gender Norms in Shaping Adolescents’ Experiences of Violence in Pastoralist Afar, Ethiopia” (with N. Jones and Y. Gebeyehu) in *Victim, Perpetrator, or What Else?* (2019; Sociological Studies of Children and Youth, Vol. 25), Emerald Publishing Limited, pp. 125-147. doi: 10.1108/S1537-466120190000025008.
- (2) “Economics of Mass Deworming Programs” (with A. Ahuja, S. Baird, M. Kremer, and E. Miguel) in Bundy, D. A. P., N. de Silva, S. Horton, D. T. Jamison, and G. C. Patton, editors. (2017). *Child and Adolescent Health and Development. Disease Control Priorities (third edition)*, Volume 8. Washington, DC: World Bank. doi: 10.1596/978-1-4648-0423-6.

## **PUBLISHED TECHNICAL/RESEARCH REPORTS AND POLICY NOTES**

- (1) “Adolescent Well-being in Ethiopia: Exploring Gendered Capabilities, Contexts and Change Strategies: A Synthesis Report on GAGE Ethiopia Baseline Findings.” (with N. Jones, S. Baird, E. Presler-Marshall, T. Woldehanna, and W. Yadete), 2019.
- (2) “Adolescent Bodily Integrity and Freedom from Violence in Ethiopia: A Report on GAGE Ethiopia Baseline Findings.” (with N. Jones, E. Presler-Marshall, S. Baird, G. Emirie, W. Yadete, Y. Alemayehu, B. Bekele, and E.K. Woldevesus), London: Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence, 2019.
- (3) “Gender and Regional Inequalities in Adolescent Bodily Integrity and Freedom from Violence in Ethiopia: Policy and Programming Implications from the GAGE Baseline

- Findings.” (with N. Jones, E. Presler-Marshall, S. Baird, G. Emirie, and W. Yadete), London: Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence, 2019.
- (4) “Adolescent Economic Empowerment in Ethiopia: A Report on GAGE Ethiopia Baseline Findings.” (with N. Jones, S. Baird, M. Devonald, E. Neumeister, E. Presler-Marshall, A. Iyasu, and W. Yadete), London: Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence, 2019.
  - (5) “Gender and Regional Inequalities in Adolescent Economic Empowerment in Ethiopia: Policy and Programming Implications from the GAGE Baseline Findings.” (with N. Jones, S. Baird, M. Devonald, E. Neumeister, E. Presler-Marshall, A. Iyasu, and W. Yadete), London: Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence, 2019.
  - (6) “Adolescent Education and Learning in Ethiopia: A Report on GAGE Ethiopia Baseline Findings.” (with N. Jones, E. Presler-Marshall, S. Baird, W. Yadete, and T. Woldehanna), London: Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence, 2019.
  - (7) “Gender and Regional Inequalities in Adolescent Education and Learning in Ethiopia: Policy and Programming Implications from the GAGE Baseline Findings.” (with N. Jones, E. Presler-Marshall, S. Baird, W. Yadete, and T. Woldehanna), London: Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence, 2019.
  - (8) “Adolescent Health, Nutrition, and Sexual and Reproductive Health in Ethiopia: A Report on GAGE Ethiopia Baseline Findings.” (with N. Jones, E. Presler-Marshall, S. Baird, N. Chuta, and K. Gezahegne), London: Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence, 2019.
  - (9) “Gender and Regional Inequalities in Adolescent Health and Nutrition in Ethiopia: Policy and Programming Implications from the GAGE Baseline Findings.” (with N. Jones, E. Presler-Marshall, S. Baird, W. Yadete, N. Chuta, and K. Gezahegne), London: Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence, 2019.
  - (10) “Adolescent Psychosocial Well-Being and Voice and Agency in Ethiopia: A Report on GAGE Ethiopia Baseline Findings.” (with N. Jones, S. Baird, M. Devonald, E. Neumeister, E. Presler-Marshall, W. Yadete, and M. Kebede), London: Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence, 2019.
  - (11) “Gender and Regional Inequalities in Adolescent Psychosocial Well-being and Voice and Agency: Policy and Programming Implications from the GAGE Baseline Findings.” (with N. Jones, S. Baird, M. Devonald, E. Neumeister, E. Presler-Marshall, W. Yadete, and M. Kebede), London: Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence, 2019.
  - (12) “Adolescents with Disabilities: Enhancing Resilience and Delivering Inclusive Development” (with N. Jones, E. Presler-Marshall, M. Stavropoulou, S. Baird, B.A. Hamad, L. Lunin, K.B. Odeh, J. Muz, P. Pereznieta, W. Yadete, and K. Tilahun), 2018.
  - (13) “Comment on Macartan Humphreys’ and Other Recent Discussions of the Miguel and Kremer (2004) Study” (with M. Kremer and E. Miguel), *Center for Effective Global Action Working Paper #54*, 2015.
  - (14) “Estimating deworming school participation impacts and externalities in Kenya: A Comment on Aiken et al. (2014)” (with M. Kremer and E. Miguel), posted on the International Initiative for Impact Evaluation website, 2014.

- (15) “Estimating deworming school participation impacts in Kenya: A Comment on Aiken et al. (2014b)” (with M. Kremer and E. Miguel), posted on the International Initiative for Impact Evaluation website, 2014.
- (16) “Worms: Identifying Impacts on Education and Health in the Presence of Treatment Externalities, Data User's Guide”(with E. Miguel, M. Kremer, and C. Nekesa), *Center for Effective Global Action Working Paper #40*, 2014.
- (17) “Individual Ability and Selection into Migration in Kenya” (with E. Miguel), *United Nations Development Programme: Human Development Reports Research Paper 45*, 2009.
- (18) “Tracking, Attrition and Data Quality in the Kenyan Life Panel Survey Round 1 (KLPS-1)” (with S. Baird and E. Miguel), *Center for International and Development Economics Research*, Paper C08-151, 2008.

### WRITING FOR POPULAR MEDIA

- (1) “Agricultural Productivity and Rural-Urban Wage Gaps Revisited: Lessons from Panel Data” (with M. Kleemans, N. Li, and E. Miguel), *VoxDev*, 30 July 2018.
- (2) “Mass deworming: (Still) a best buy for international development” (with S. Baird, M. Kremer, and E. Miguel), *Vox*, 11 August 2015.
- (3) “Flashy purchases are associated with higher levels of violent crime in the U.S.” (with D. Hicks), The London School of Economics and Political Science *American Politics and Policy Blog*, 4 August 2014.

### UNPUBLISHED WORKING PAPERS, WORKS IN PROGRESS

- (1) “Finding the Hard to Reach: A Mixed Methods Approach to Including Adolescents with Disabilities in Survey Research” (with J. Muz, S. Baird, S. F. Rashid, M. Sultan, W. Yadete, and N. Jones). *Conditionally accepted as chapter in (refereed) edited volume tentatively entitled "Addressing Inclusion among Children & Adolescents Living in Poverty: Mapping & Monitoring Progress on the SDGs"*.
- (2) “Reevaluating Agricultural Productivity Gaps with Longitudinal Microdata” (with M. Kleemans, N. Li, and E. Miguel). *NBER Working Paper #23253. Revise and resubmit at the Journal of the European Economic Association*.
- (3) “Deepening or Diminishing Ethnic Divides? The Impact of Urban Migration in Kenya” (with E. Kramon, S. Baird, and E. Miguel) *Revise and resubmit at the American Journal of Political Science*.
- (4) “Lucky Late Bloomers: The Impact of Delayed Marriage on Adult Outcomes in Western Kenya” (with D. Hicks). *Revise and resubmit at Economic Development and Cultural Change*.
- (5) “Adolescent sexuality and relationships: mixed methods findings on intergenerational communication and attitudes from Bangladesh and Ethiopia” (with S. Baird, E. Coast, L. Camfield, K. Gezahegne, K. Kilburn, J. Muz, and N. Jones). *Revise and resubmit at the Journal of Adolescence*.
- (6) “The Productive Safety Net Programme and Adolescent Wellbeing: Evidence from GAGE Ethiopia” (with N. Jones, S. Baird, and M. Araya). *Under review*.

- (7) “You Better Keep Silent!: Focusing on social norms to improve Ethiopian adolescents’ sexual and reproductive health” (with S. Baird, E. Coast, N. Jones, E. Presler-Marshall, K. Gezehegne, and W. Yadete). *Under review*.
- (8) “Intersecting inequalities, gender and adolescent health in Ethiopia” (with N. Jones, K. Pincock, S. Baird, and W. Yadete). *Under review*.
- (9) “The Illusion of Stable Preferences over Major Life Decisions” (with M. Mueller, J. Johnson-Hanks, and E. Miguel). *NBER Working Paper #25844*.
- (10) “Twenty Year Economic Impacts of Deworming in Kenya” (with S. Baird, M. Kremer, E. Miguel, and M. Walker)
- (11) “Addressing Youth Unemployment Through Training and Grants: Experimental Evidence From Kenya” (with M. Kremer, I. Mbiti, and E. Miguel)
- (12) “Does Mass Deworming Affect Child Nutrition? Meta-analysis, Cost-Effectiveness, and Statistical Power” (with K. Croke, E. Hsu, M. Kremer, and E. Miguel), *NBER Working Paper #22382; Centre for Economic Policy Research Discussion Paper DP11458*.
- (13) “The Impact of Civil Unrest on Social Capital in Rural Kenya” (with D. Hicks)

## **ONGOING FIELD RESEARCH PROJECTS**

- (1) Estimating the Impacts of Health and Human Capital Investments on Long-Run Life Outcomes in Kenya: Evidence from Three Randomized Evaluations
- (2) Intergenerational Impacts of Health Investments in Kenya
- (3) Gender and Adolescence: Global Evidence

## **GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

- (1) *U.S. National Institutes of Health* R01: “Intergenerational Impacts of Health Investments” (Co-Investigator), 2017-2022
- (2) *Good Ventures*: “KLPS-4 Survey” (Co-Investigator), 2017-2019
- (3) *Berkeley Population Center* Pilot Grant: “Intergenerational Impacts of Health Investments in Kenya” (Co-investigator), 2015-2016
- (4) *Center for Effective Global Action and Berkeley Initiative for Transparency in Social Sciences* Sloan Grant for Data Publication (PI), 2015
- (5) *Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab*: “Encouraging Youth Entrepreneurship in Kenya: A Study of Vocational Training and Cash Grants” (Co-investigator), 2015-2017
- (6) *U.S. National Institutes of Health* R21: “Intergenerational Impacts of Health Investments in Kenya” (Co-investigator), 2014-2016
- (7) *International Labour Organization* Youth Employment Network: “Vocational Training and Small Business Grants: Evaluating the Impacts of Two Cross-cutting Randomized Interventions” (Co-investigator), 2014
- (8) *Institute for the Study of Labor / U.K. Department for International Development* Growth and Labour Markets and Low Income Countries Programme: “Start-up Capital for Youth:

Assessing the Potential of Small Business Grants and Vocational Training in Kenya” (Co-investigator), 2012-2015

- (9) *U.S. National Institutes of Health* R01: “Estimating the Impacts of Health and Human Capital Investments on Long-run Life Outcomes in Kenya – Evidence from Three Randomized Evaluations” (Postdoctoral Fellow), 2011-2016
- (10) *World Bank* Gender Action Plan: “Female Economic Empowerment Through Vocational Education in Kenya” (PI), 2010
- (11) *University of California, Berkeley* Dean’s Normative Time Fellowship, 2006-2007
- (12) *National Science Foundation* Graduate Research Fellowship, 2003-2006
- (13) *Tufts University* Charles G. Bluhdorn Prize in Economics, 2002

### **SEMINARS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (*since 2015*)**

*2020*: ASSA annual conference

*2018*: 1st IZA/World Bank/NJD Conference on Jobs and Development

*2017*: University of Oklahoma

*2016*: North East Universities Development Consortium Annual Conference

*2015*: East African Evidence Summit, IZA/Kauffman Foundation Policy Panel:  
Entrepreneurship in Developing Economies

### **TEACHING**

*Undergraduate*: World Economic Development; Intermediate Microeconomic Theory

*Graduate*: Development Economics (PhD)

### **ADVISING**

*PhD Dissertation Committees (in progress)*: Trupti Chaure, Saini Das, Xiao Liu, Rafael Zago (co-chair)

*PhD Dissertation Committees (completed)*: Huiqiong Duan (University of Central Arkansas)

### **REFeree SERVICE**

*Economic Development and Cultural Change, European Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Human Resources, Oxford Bulletin for Economics and Statistics, PLOS ONE, and World Development*; External Reviewer for the International Initiative for Impact Evaluation, and the World Bank

### **OTHER INFORMATION**

Languages: English (native), French (was proficient, very rusty), Spanish (working knowledge)  
Citizenship: United States