

Ari Anisfeld

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EDUCATION

University of Chicago

PhD Public Policy

2019 - 2025 (*expected*)

Fields: Labor Economics and Econometrics

MS Computational Analysis and Public Policy with Honors

2016 - 2018

University of New Mexico

2011 - 2014

MA Secondary Education

Grinnell College

2005 - 2009

BA History with Honors, Global Development Studies concentration

RESEARCH

Working papers

- *How Local is Local Development? Evidence from Casinos* (with Jordan Rosenthal-Kay)
 - Presented at 2023 Urban Economic Association

Work in progress

- *Peer Effects in Diverse Societies: A Lab-in-the-Field Experiment in Macedonia* (with Pepi Pandiloski)
- *Common Identity and Common Foes: Ethnic Cohesion and Productivity in Macedonian Schools* (with Pepi Pandiloski)
- *How Do School Communities Shape Student Post-Secondary Consideration Sets?: Evidence from FAFSA*
- *Costly Withdrawals Reduce Future College Going: Evidence from Return to Title IV Funds* (with Elizabeth Bell, Oded Gurantz, Dennis Kramer)
 - Presented at 2023 Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness conference
- *FAFSA Renewal: A Large-Scale Nudge Experiment* (with Salman Khan and Dennis Kramer)
- *Do Marginal Students Benefit from Longer Access to Aid?: Evidence from the Restriction of Pell Lifetime Eligibility* (with Salman Khan and Dennis Kramer)

GRANTS

2023 - JPAL European Social Inclusion Initiative (\$50K)

2023 - Pearson Fund Research and Innovation Fund Grant (\$10K)

2023 - Becker Friedman Institutes Political Economics Initiative (\$4.5K)

2022 - BFI/DIL Development Economics Research Fund Research Grant (\$30K)

2022 - BFI New Data Acquisition Grant (\$15K)

2022 - BFI/DIL Development Economics Research Fund Exploratory Travel Grant (\$5K)

2022 - Committee on Education Research Grant (\$1K)

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Committee on Education Fellow (2020-2025)

Urban Doctoral Fellow (2021-2022)
Metcalf Fellowship (2021)
Polsky Accelerator Entrepreneur (2019)
CAPP Start-up Scholarship (2016-2018)
Education Pioneers Fellowship (2016)
Segal AmeriCorps Education Award (2011-2013)
Grinnell Corps Fellowship (2009)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

U.S. Education Department Remote
Research and Policy Fellow *September 2022 -*

University of Chicago Chicago, IL
Research Assistant to Anjali Adukia *May 2020 - December 2021*
Research Assistant to Peter Ganong and Pascal Noel *June 2018 - June 2019*
Research Assistant to Yana Gallen *June 2017 - August 2018*

Center for Data Science and Public Policy Chicago, IL
Research Assistant *February 2018 - June 2018*

- Wrote tests and documentation for bias and fairness audit [toolkit](#) for testing bias in predictive systems

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Chicago Chicago, IL
Teaching Assistant (indicates Head TA)*

- Education and Economic Development (Anjali Adukia, Winter 2023); Human Capital, Markets, and the Family (James Heckman, Spring 2022); Applied Econometrics II (Koichiro Ito, Spring 2019); Data Skills for Public Policy* (Peter Ganong, Fall 2018, Spring 2020, Spring 2021); Machine Learning and Policy (Jens Ludwig, Spring 2018); Statistics for Data Analysis II (Austin Wright and Ingvil Gaarder, Winter 2018); Statistics for Data Analysis I* (Dan Black and Amir Jina, Fall 2017);

Instructor

- Harris Coding Lab (Summer 2023, Summer 2022, Summer+Fall 2021, Summer+Fall 2020, Fall 2019)

Thoreau Middle School Thoreau, NM
Algebra and Pre-Algebra Teacher *June 2011 - June 2014*

RELATED EXPERIENCE

New York City Department of Education New York, NY
Analyst with Research and Policy Support Group *June 2016 - August 2016*

Gobabeb Research and Training Center Namib-Naukluft Park, Namibia
Research and IT Fellow *June 2009 - November 2010*

SERVICE

Co-Coordinator of the UChicago Committee on Education Workshop (2022-2023)
DataKind volunteer data expert for San Antonio Community College (2022)

Murray Language Academy Local School Council (2020 - 2023)

Booth Research Professionals mentor (2020 - 2023)

PhD Social Committee Co-Chair (2020-2021)

PhD Admissions Reader (2021)

iMentor mentor (2018 - 2021)

Chicago Policy Review editor (2016-2018)

South Side Civic ScopeAthon co-Organizer (2017)