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CONTACT INFORMATION

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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Assistant Professor of Economics, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, 2016-Present

Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research, Cambridge, MA, 2018-Present
Development of the American Economy Program

DOCTORAL STUDIES

PhD, Economics, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, 2016
Dissertation: "Selection and Anthropometrics in Economic History"
Dissertation Committee: Joel Mokyr (Chair), Joseph Ferrie, Matthew Notowidigdo

PREDOCTORAL STUDIES

MA, Economics, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, 2011
BSFS *summa cum laude*, International Economics, Georgetown University, Washington, DC, 2010

RESEARCH

Published Papers

Spitzer, Yannay and Ariell Zimran (2018). "Migrant Self-Selection: Anthropometric Evidence from the Mass Migration of Italians to the United States." *Journal of Development Economics* 134, pp. 226-247. doi: 10.1016/j.jdeveco.2018.04.006

Working Papers

"Sample-Selection Bias and Height Trends in the Nineteenth-Century United States," accepted by the *Journal of Economic History*

"Transportation and Health in a Developing Country: The United States, 1820–1847"

"Intuition to Recognize and Address Sample-Selection Bias in Historical Sources, With Illustrations from the Historical Heights Literature," submitted

GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant No. 1425598: "Essays on Migrant Self-Selection and Productivity," with Joel Mokyr, 2014-2016
Economic History Association Dissertation Fellowship, 2015-2016
Northwestern University Dissertation Year Fellowship, 2015-2016
Northwestern University Career Development Grant, 2015
Economic History Association Exploratory Travel and Data Grant, 2014
Northwestern University Conference Travel Grant, 2013, 2014
Graduate Research Grant, Northwestern University, 2013

HONORS AND AWARDS

European Historical Economics Society Graduate Student Travel Bursary, 2015
SSHA/Tilly Graduate Student Travel Award, 2014
Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award, Northwestern University, 2012, 2013
William F. Notz Medal, Georgetown University, 2010
Honors in International Economics, Georgetown University, 2010
Dean's Citation, Georgetown University, 2010

Phi Beta Kappa, Georgetown University, 2009
Omicron Delta Epsilon, Georgetown University, 2008

RESEARCH ASSISTANTSHIPS

Research Assistant, Northwestern University Center for Economic History, 2015-2016
Research Assistant to Professor Joel Mokyr, 2014
Research Assistant to Professor Igal Hendel, 2012-2014

SHORT-TERM VISITS

Hebrew University of Jerusalem, June 2017
Stanford Center for International Development, May 2016

PRESENTATIONS

- 2018 Minnesota Population Center; University of Michigan H2D2 Research Day, Ann Arbor, MI; Midwest International Economic Development Conference, Minneapolis, MN; Auburn University (planned); Economic History Association Annual Meetings, Montreal, QC (planned)
- 2017 Tel Aviv University; Hebrew University of Jerusalem; Ben Gurion University; NBER Summer Institute (DAE)
- 2016 Vanderbilt University; University of Colorado; University of Queensland; Australian National University; University of Melbourne; Stanford University; Social Science History Association Conference, Chicago, IL
- 2015 Allied Social Science Associations, Boston, MA, Western Economic Association International Annual Conference, Honolulu, HI; European Historical Economics Society Conference, Pisa, Italy; Northwestern University; Illinois Economics Association Annual Meetings, Chicago, IL; Social Science History Association Conference, Baltimore, MD; University of Michigan H2D2 Research Day, Ann Arbor, MI; London School of Economics
- 2014 Warwick University Economics PhD Conference, Warwick, UK; Cliometric Society Annual Conference, Clemson, SC; Economic History Association Annual Meetings, Columbus, OH; Illinois Economics Association Annual Meetings, Chicago, IL; London School of Economics; Social Science History Association Conference, Toronto, ON
- 2013 Asian Meetings of the Econometric Society, Singapore; Economic History Association Annual Meetings (Poster), Washington, DC

PREVIOUS WORK EXPERIENCE

US Federal Trade Commission, Bureau of Economics, Intern, 2009-2010
Consultant for Supported Intelligence, LLC, 2013

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee for *Economics and Human Biology*; *Economic Journal*; *Essays in Economic and Business History*; *Explorations in Economic History*; *Feminist Economics*; *Journal of Economic History*; *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*; *Journal of Transport and Health*; *Historical Methods*; *Quarterly Journal of Political Science*

Session Chair at Economic History Association Annual Meetings, San Jose, CA, 2017
Discussant at TEAM-Fest, Knoxville, TN, 2018 (planned); VEAM-Fest, Nashville, TN, 2017; Social Science History Association Annual Conference, Chicago, IL, 2016
Western Economic Association International Graduate Student Workshop, Honolulu, HI, 2015
University of Chicago Summer Price Theory Camp, Chicago, IL, 2012

DISSERTATION COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Danielle Drago Drory (Law and Economics, 2018)

UNDERGRADUATE ADVISING

John Cary (Second Reader, 2017)