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Education	Harvard Kennedy School Ph.D. Public Policy, Economics Track	Cambridge, MA August 2021 – Present
	University of Maryland, Baltimore County B.A. Mathematics, Minor in Economics	Baltimore, MD May 2019
Research Interests	labor economics, inequality, organizational behavior	
Professional Experience	University of Chicago, Booth School of Business Machine Learning Institute Summer Fellow ¹	Chicago, IL August 2023
	MIT Sloan School of Management Research Assistant for Dr. Anna Stansbury	Cambridge, MA June – August 2022
	PNC Financial Services Analyst at Human Resources Metrics & Analytics	Pittsburgh, PA August 2020 – May 2021
	The Urban Institute Research Assistant at Center for Education Data & Policy	Washington, D.C. June – August 2020
	Harvard Graduate School of Education Research Assistant for Dr. Peter Q. Blair	Cambridge, MA September 2019 – May 2020
	Michigan State University AEA Summer Research Scholar	East Lansing, MI June 2019-August 2019
	Academic Affiliations	Harvard Kennedy School Doctoral Fellow at The People Lab
	Harvard Kennedy School Doctoral Scholar at Stone Program at Malcolm Wiener Center	Cambridge, MA September 2023 – Present
	Harvard Kennedy School Doctoral Fellow at WAPPP ²	Cambridge, MA September 2023 – Present
	The National Bureau of Economic Research Visiting Research Fellow	Cambridge, MA September 2019 – May 2020
Research in Progress	Sticky Stereotypes: Inaccurate Beliefs and Observability <i>with Emma Rackstraw</i>	
	Corporate Catfishing: U.S. Companies' Response to the Murder of George Floyd <i>with Teresita Vital Cruz</i>	

¹ A summer institute hosted by the Center for Applied Artificial Intelligence

² Women and Public Policy Program at Harvard Kennedy School

Research Talks & Conferences	2024 – University of Chicago-Booth School of Business (Behavioral Science Workshop)	
Books, Chapters, & Contributions	The Double Tax (forthcoming) Portfolio Books/Penguin Random House	January 2026
	They Say / I Say – Sixth Edition W.W. Norton & Company (<i>Contribution with Dr. Fenaba Addo</i>)	June 2024
	My Moment: 106 Women on Fighting for Themselves Gallery Books (<i>Contribution</i>)	May 2022
	The Black Agenda St. Martin's Press/Macmillan Publishers	February 2022
Selected Public Writings	The Heavy Cost of Banning Books About Black Children, <i>TIME Magazine</i> (2023) ³ . https://time.com/6284174/book-bans-black-children-publishing/	
	What Juneteenth Revealed About Corporate America, <i>Medium</i> (2022). https://medium.com/age-of-awareness/what-juneteenth-reveals-about-corporate-america	
	The U.S. Economy Needs to Center Black Women, <i>Teen Vogue</i> (2022). https://www.teenvogue.com/story/black-women-best-economy	
	Economists' Silence on Racism Is 100 Years in the Making, <i>Newsweek</i> (2020) <i>with Dr. Dania Francis</i> . https://www.newsweek.com/economists-silence-racism-100-years-making-opinion	
	Black Women Best, Economic Policy Institute (2020). https://www.epi.org/blog/black-women-best-why-putting-black-women-first-may-save-us-from-economic-disaster/	
	It Was a Mistake for Me to Choose This Field, <i>The New York Times</i> (2019) <i>with Governor Lisa D. Cook</i> . https://www.nytimes.com/2019/09/30/opinion/economics-black-women.html	
Grants, Awards, & Fellowships	Mind Brain Behavior Initiative Grant, \$10,000	December 2023
	WAPPP WLB Endowment Fund, \$3,000	September 2023
	Stone Center Doctoral Scholar Fellowship	August 2023
	Forbes 30 Under 30 Local Boston Class	August 2023
	Stone Center Research Award, \$3,000	July 2023
	WAPPP Lara Warner Summer Award, \$7,000	May 2023
	Harvard African Student Association's Vanguard Award	April 2023
	WAPPP Pre-Doctoral Fellowship, \$6000	May 2022
	National Science Foundation (NSF) Graduate Fellowship	April 2021
	Ford Foundation Pre-Doctoral Fellowship	April 2021
	Harvard GSAS Graduate Prize Fellowship	March 2021
	UN Convention CEDAW Women's Rights Award	September 2020
	Harvard Research Scholar Initiative	May 2019
	AEA Summer Program for Economics	June 2019
	Meyerhoff/MARC U*STAR Scholar	March 2016

³ Time Magazine highlighted the piece and listed me as a featured voice

Public Talks & Events	<p>2024 – TD Bank; Asset Funders Network</p> <p>2023 – Google; U.S. Embassy of Germany; U.S. Consulates of Frankfurt and Munich; OREO; Teach for America; University of Tennessee-Knoxville; Greater Cincinnati Foundation; Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development</p> <p>2022 – Harvard Kennedy School; SXSW; University of Toronto; Teach for America; Elon University; Brookfield Asset Management; Towson University; Philips Exeter Academy; Indiana University-Bloomington; Mathematica Now; Barnard College; Smith Group; Dillard University; Bennett College; Hallmark Cards Incorporated; New Profit; Network of Executive Women (NEW); Howard County Library System – Central Branch</p> <p>2021 – Stanford University; The Atlantic Live; Bowie State University; Economic Opportunity Institute; Groundwork Collaborative; University of Nebraska-Lincoln</p> <p>2020 – American Economic Association; Ford Foundation; Capital Group; The Field Museum; Promoting Inclusion in Economic Research (PIER) at Williams College; Promoting Achievement and Diversity in Economics (PADE) at University of Maryland, College Park</p>
Press, Media, & Interviews	<p>2023 – <i>Forbes Magazine</i> (30 under 30 Boston Selection); <i>Marketwatch</i>; <i>Harvard Gazette</i>; <i>The Atlantic</i>; Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System; <i>Vox's</i> Land of Giants Podcast</p> <p>2022 – <i>The New York Times</i>; <i>NPR Morning Edition</i>; <i>NPR Planet Money's The Indicator</i>; <i>Publisher's Weekly</i>; <i>Kirkus Reviews</i>; <i>Inc.</i>; <i>Teen Vogue</i>; <i>Essence Magazine</i>; <i>Ms. Magazine</i>; <i>Telemundo</i>; <i>The Skimm</i>; <i>Rising Up with Sonali</i>; <i>GAY TIMES</i>; <i>Sorry Not Sorry</i> with Alyssa Milano; Adam Grant's <i>Thinks Again Newsletter</i>; <i>Economic Policy Institute</i>; <i>Fox Soul News</i>; <i>Autostraddle</i>; <i>Meteor</i>; <i>Medium</i></p> <p>2021 – <i>The Washington Post</i>; <i>Bloomberg</i>; <i>Al Jazeera</i>; <i>NPR Planet Money</i>; <i>The Verge</i>; <i>Business Insider</i>; <i>Ologies</i> with Alie Ward; <i>The GriO</i></p> <p>2020 – <i>The New York Times</i>; <i>The Wall Street Journal</i>; <i>CNN</i>; <i>The Economist</i>; <i>Slate Magazine</i>; <i>The Stanford Daily</i>; <i>Marketplace</i>; <i>Associated Press</i>; <i>The Smithsonian Museums</i>; <i>Capital Isn't</i>; <i>UMBC Magazine</i>; <i>Sidenote Podcast</i>; <i>Mathematica Now's On the Evidence Podcast</i>; <i>Hidden Truths</i></p> <p>2019 – <i>Forbes Magazine</i>; <i>NPR's The Indicator</i>; <i>Business Insider</i>; <i>The Chronicle of Higher Education</i>; <i>Pitchfork Economics</i>; <i>The Baltimore Sun</i>; <i>Women in Economics</i> at the St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank</p>
Professional Service	<p>The Sadie Collective August 2018 – March 2021 Co-Founder, CEO (2018-2021)</p>
Service to University	<p>Black Student Union at Harvard Kennedy School August 2022 – March 2023 Events Chair on Executive Board</p> <p>Black Policy Conference at Harvard Kennedy School March 2023 Panel Manager for <i>The Black Agenda</i> panel</p>
Technical Skills	<p>Stata, Tableau</p>
Languages	<p>English, Akan/Twi (Passive Proficiency)</p>
Citizenship	<p>United States</p>