

# Jeremy Lebow

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## EDUCATION:

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Ph.D. in Economics, Duke University, 2022

Fields: Development Economics, Labor Economics, Migration Economics

Committee: Duncan Thomas, Erica Field, Daniel Xu, Arnaud Maurel

Title of Thesis: *Essays on the Economics of Immigration in Colombia*

M.Sc. in Economics, Duke University, 2018

B.A. in International Economic Development, Tufts University, 2014 (summa cum laude)

## EMPLOYMENT:

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**Economist, The World Bank, Social Protection (SP) Global**, Washington, D.C. (September 2023 – Present)

- Core member of the SP Global Migration group, supporting country teams with migration-related projects and fostering dialogue with countries, international organizations, and the private sector on topics such as bilateral labor agreements, international labor intermediation, and skills training for migrants
- Core author of *Global Skill Partnerships for Migration: Preparing Tomorrow's Workers for Home and Abroad*
- Supported *Enhancing Global Skill Partnerships and Regular Circular Migration between Latin America and Spain*; oversaw a labor demand assessment to inform training and migration pathways in Spain
- Implementation support and technical guidance to the Ethiopian Ministry of Labor & Skills for an operation on results-based financing for skills training (*Ethiopia Education and Skills for Employability Project*)
- Coordinated a conceptual framework on lifelong learning and skills systems for adults and out-of-school youth with SP and Education Global Practices
- Economic analysis, poverty analysis, and design support for *Ethiopia Rural Productive Safety Net Program 6*
- Co-led the development of the People sector methodology for the Corporate Scorecard indicator on “More and Better-Paid Jobs” in coordination with Health, Education, and IFC

**Economist, The World Bank, Poverty & Equity Eastern and Southern Africa**, Washington, D.C. (2022 – 2023)

- Led two chapters of the report *Expanding Development Approaches to Refugees and their Hosts in Ethiopia: Jobs & Livelihoods and Social Cohesion between Refugee and Host Communities*
- Led a chapter of the 2024 *Ethiopia Poverty Assessment* on conflict and forced displacement
- Designed and delivered a 1-week workshop on data management and analysis for the *Ethiopian Statistical Service*
- Contributed to the *Africa Poverty and Inequality Flagship Report* with a machine learning analysis of inequality of opportunity in Sub-Saharan Africa

**Research Associate and Office Manager, J-PAL/Ideas42**, Chennai, India (2015 – 2016)

- Study oversight, surveyor management, data monitoring and analysis, and stakeholder engagement for the project *The Economic Costs of Low Caloric Intake* among cycle rickshaw peddlers in Chennai

**Data Analyst, Innovations for Poverty Action**, Mexico City, Mexico (2014 – 2015)

- Data management, impact analysis, cost-effectiveness analysis, and surveyor coordination for the project *Screening and counseling for female victims of intimate partner violence in Mexico City*

## SELECTED PROFESSIONAL SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS:

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Jan 2026      **Presenter**, Abu Dhabi Dialogue, Dubai, *The Promise of Global Skill Partnerships and the Need to Invest in Skills and International Worker Mobility Systems*

- Jan 2026 **Presenter and panelist**, Global Labor Market Academy, Riyadh, *Accessing Global Opportunities through Physical and Virtual Labor Mobility*
- Nov 2025 **Presenter and panelist**, IRCC Migration Skills Policy Academy, Ottawa: *Designing Equitable and Sustainable Immigration Systems for Talent Mobility*
- Sep 2025 **Presenter and panelist**, Africa Skills for Jobs Policy Academy, Nairobi, *Connecting Skills to Jobs: Work-Based Learning and the School-to-Work Transition* and *Global Skill Partnerships for Improved Coordination in Worker Training and Mobility*
- July 2025 **Presenter**, Rutas Hacia el Futuro Sesión Virtual, Bogotá, *Los resultados finales del análisis de demanda laboral de España*
- July 2024 **Presenter**, IOM Regional Dialogue on Skills Mobility Partnerships, Cape Town, *The Promise of Global Skill Partnerships and the Role of MDBs*
- June 2024 **Presenter**, Social Protection Core Course on Migration, Bangkok, *Regional and multilateral cooperation in migration policies: Successful examples of bilateral and regional agreements*
- May 2024 **Presenter**, Social Protection Workshop on Colombia's Labor Emigration System, Bogotá, *Promoviendo las Asociaciones Globales para el Desarrollo de Habilidades Laborales y la Migración Regular entre Latinoamérica y España*

## **RESEARCH:**

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### **Publications:**

- “Immigration and Occupational Downgrading in Colombia” (2024), *Journal of Development Economics*, 103164
- “Migrant Exposure and Anti-Migrant Sentiment: The Case of the Venezuelans Exodus” (2024) with Jonathan Moreno, Salma Mousa, and Horacio Coral, *Journal of Public Economics*, 236, 105169
- “The Labor Market Effects of Venezuelan Migration to Colombia: Reconciling Conflicting Results” (2022), *IZA Journal of Development and Migration*, 13(1)
- “An Update on Inequality of Opportunity in Sub-Saharan Africa” (2026) with Aziz Atamanov, Facundo Cuevas, and Daniel Gerszon Mahler, *Review of Development Economics*

### **Discussion Papers:**

- “Refugees and Social Assistance in Low- and Middle-Income Countries: A Review of Operational Experiences” (2025) with Alfredo Böhm, Pablo Acosta, and Emanuela Migliaccio, *Social Protection Discussion Paper*
- “Skills Systems for Adults and Out-of-School Youth: A Technical Note” (2025) with Eliana Carranza and Xiaoyan Liang, *Social Protection Discussion Paper*

### **Works in Progress:**

- “Unintended Consequences of a De Facto Inheritance Reform in Pakistan” with Erica Field, Sabrin Beg, and Kate Vyborny
- “Motherhood, Work, and Family in Indonesia” with Duncan Thomas, Xiao Yu Wang, and Daniel Xu

## **ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS:**

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- 2024: GEOM Conference on Equality of Opportunity and Intergenerational Mobility
- 2023: Seminar at the IDB Migration Unit; Latin American and the Caribbean Economic Association
- 2022: Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics Migration Conference; Population Association of America

2021: World Bank/IZA/NJD/UNU-WIDER Jobs and Development Conference; OECD-CEPII-LISER Annual Immigration Conference; Urban Economics Association North America Meeting; Econometric Society North America Summer Meeting; IZA Annual Migration Meeting; Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting; Economics Graduate Student Conference at Washington University in St. Louis; The Economics of Migration Junior Seminar; IMISCOE Migration Conference; Population Association of America; Carolina Regional Empirical Economics Day

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## **REFEREEING:**

*American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Journal of Development Economics, World Bank Economic Review, Journal of Economic Geography, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Demographic Economics, International Economics, Social Sciences & Humanities Open, Journal of Refugee Studies, Migration Studies*

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## **TEACHING:**

Introduction to Econometrics, Duke (Undergraduate): Primary Instructor, Summer 2021  
Teaching Assistant, Fall 2017-2019, Fall 2021

Economics of Global Health, Duke (Undergraduate): Guest Lecturer, Spring 2022  
Teaching Assistant, Spring 2021, Spring 2022

Certificate in College Teaching, Duke University, Completed Fall 2020

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## **OTHER WORK:**

Graduate Mentorship Program, Co-Founder and Co-Director, Duke Economics	2021
Graduate Student Diversity and Inclusion Committee, Co-Founder, Duke Economics	2020-2021

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## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:**

Languages: English (native), Spanish (fluent), Italian (conversant)

Programming: Stata, R, QGIS