

Brian Cadena, Associate Professor

PhD, University of Michigan, 2008

FIELDS

Labor Economics • Applied Econometrics • Public Economics

CURRENT RESEARCH INTERESTS

Migration responses to labor market prospects, behavioral economics, labor market consequences of government policies, educational investment.

PUBLICATIONS

- “The International Transmission of Local Economic Shocks Through Migrant Networks,” (with Brian K. Kovak and Maria Esther Caballero), October 2023, accepted for publication in *Journal of International Economics*.
- “Performance Pay, Productivity, and Strategic Opt-out: Evidence from a Community Health Center,” (with Austin C. Smith) *Journal of Public Economics*, 206, February 2022.
- “Investment over the Business Cycle: Insights from College Major Choice,” (with Erica Blom and Benjamin J. Keys) *Journal of Labor Economics* 39(4), October 2021.
- “Measuring Sub-National Migration Patterns using Matriculas Consulares,” (with Maria Esther Caballero and Brian K. Kovak) *Demography* 55(3) pp. 1119-1145, June 2018.
- “The Labor Market Consequences of Impatience,” *IZA World of Labor*, 2016: 233.
- “Immigrants Equilibrate Local Labor Markets: Evidence from the Great Recession,” (with Brian K. Kovak) *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 8(1) pp. 257-290, January 2016.
- “Human Capital and the Lifetime Costs of Impatience,” (with Ben Keys) *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, 7(3) pp. 126-153, August 2015.
- “The Labor Market Integration and Impacts of U.S. Immigrants,” (with Brian Duncan and Stephen J. Trejo) in *Handbook of the Economics of International Migration*, Barry R. Chiswick and Paul W. Miller eds., Vol. 1B, pp. 1197-1259, Elsevier, 2015.
- “Recent Immigrants as Labor Market Arbitrageurs: Evidence from the Minimum Wage,” *Journal of Urban Economics* 80, pp.1-12, March 2014.
- “Native Competition and Low-Skilled Immigrant Inflows,” *Journal of Human Resources*, 48(4) pp. 910-944, Fall 2013.
- “Can Self-Control Explain Avoiding Free Money? Evidence from Interest-Free Student Loans,” (with Ben Keys) *Review of Economics and Statistics*, 95(4) pp.1117-1129 October 2013.
- “The Dynamics of Food Stamp Receipt after Welfare Reform among Current and Former Welfare Recipients,” (with Sheldon Danziger and Kristin Seefeldt) in *Income Volatility and Food Assistance in the United States*, Dean Joliffe and James Ziliak eds., Upjohn Institute for Employment Research. 2008.
- “Measuring State Welfare Policy Changes: Why Don’t They Explain Caseload and Employment Outcomes?” (with Sheldon Danziger and Kristin Seefeldt) *Social Science Quarterly*, 87(4) 808-817. 2006.

WORKING PAPERS

- “Taking a Chance on Workers: Evidence on the Effects and Mechanisms of Subsidized Employment from an RCT,” (with Tania Barham and Patrick S. Turner), June 2023.

WORK IN PROGRESS

- “An Impact Evaluation of the CW STEP Program,” (with Tania Barham and Lauren Schechter)
- “An Impact Evaluation of NPower’s Tech Fundamentals Program,” (with Tania Barham and Patrick Turner)
- “Migrant Networks and the Effect of Mexican Immigration on US Labor Markets,” (with Maria Esther Caballero, Marieke Kleemans, and Brian Kovak)