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## **Employment**

Assistant Professor of Economics and Education, Teachers College, Columbia University

## **Affiliations**

Member, Columbia Committee on the Economics of Education, Columbia University

Faculty Affiliate, Center for Development Economics and Policy, School of International and Public Affairs (SIPA), Columbia University

Faculty Affiliate, Columbia Population Research Center

Faculty Affiliate, Weatherhead East Asian Institute, Columbia University

Faculty Affiliate, China Center for Social Policy, School of Social Work, Columbia University

Faculty Affiliate, Center for African Education, Teachers College, Columbia University

Research Fellow, Institute on Education and the Economy, Teachers College, Columbia University

## **Education**

PhD, Economics, Brown University, 2016

AM, Economics, Brown University, 2011

MSc, Development Studies, London School of Economics and Political Science, 2006

BA, Economics and East Asian Languages and Cultures, Indiana University, Bloomington, 2005

Certificate in Mandarin Chinese, Associated Colleges in China, Beijing, China, 2004

## **Teaching and Research Fields**

Primary fields: Development, Applied Micro/Labor, Education

Secondary fields: China, Behavioral Economics, Health

## **Working Papers**

Alex Eble and Feng Hu "The Sins of the Parents: Persistence of Gender Bias Across Generations and the Gender Gap in Math Performance" (submitted)

Alex Eble and Feng Hu "Does Primary School Duration Matter? Evaluating the Consequences of a Large Chinese Policy Experiment" (submitted)

Alex Eble and Feng Hu "Stereotypes, Role Models, and the Formation of Beliefs" (submitted)

#### **Publications**

## Articles in peer-reviewed journals

- Alex Eble, Peter Boone, and Diana Elbourne (2017). "On Minimizing the Risk of Bias in Randomized Controlled Trials in Economics", *World Bank Economic Review* 31(3): 687–707
- Peter Boone, Alex Eble, Diana Elbourne, Chris Frost, Chitra Jayanty, Rashmi Lakshminarayana, Vera Mann, Rohini Mukherjee, and M Reddy Padmanabh (2017). "Community health promotion and medical provision for neonatal health—CHAMPION cluster randomised trial in Nagarkurnool district, Telangana (formerly Andhra Pradesh), India" *PLoS Medicine* 14(7): e1002324
- Rashmi Lakshminarayana, Alex Eble, Preetha Bhakta, Chris Frost, Peter Boone, Diana Elbourne, and Vera Mann (2013). "The Support to Rural India's Public Education System (STRIPES) Trial: A Cluster Randomised Controlled Trial of Supplementary Teaching, Learning Material and Material Support", *PLoS ONE* 8(7): e65775
- Vera Mann, Alex Eble, Chris Frost, Ramaswamy Premkumar and Peter Boone (2010). "A Comparative Study to Assess the Lasting Impact of a Long-running Community-based Primary Health Care Programme on Under-5 Mortality in Jamkhed, India", *Bulletin of the World Health Organization* 88:727–73

## Published study protocols

- Peter Boone, Alpha Camara, Alex Eble, Diana Elbourne, Chris Frost, Samory Fernandes, Chitra Jayanty, Maitri Lenin, and Ana Filipa Silva (2015). "Remedial After-school Support Classes Offered in Rural Gambia (The SCORE Trial): Study Protocol for a Cluster Randomized Controlled Trial", *Trials* 16:574
- Alex Eble, Vera Mann, Preetha Bhakta, Rashmi Lakshminarayana, Chris Frost, Diana Elbourne and Peter Boone (2010). "Support to Rural India's Primary Education System the STRIPES Trial", *Trials* 11:10
- Peter Boone, Vera Mann, Alex Eble, Tarana Mendiratta, Rohini Mukherjee, Ryan Figueiredo, Chitra Jayanty, Chris Frost, M Reddy Padmanabh and Diana Elbourne (2007). "Community Health and Medical Provision: Impact on Neonates (the CHAMPION trial)", *BMC Pediatrics* 7:26

## Non peer-reviewed

Alex Eble (2013). "Child Mortality in Rural India: How the ASHA Programme Works, and How it Might Fail", in <u>India's Human Security: Lost Debates, Forgotten People, Intractable Challenges,</u> Jason Miklian and Ashild Kolas, Editors, Routledge, New York

## **Work in Progress**

- "Light-touch Interventions to Improve College-going Decisions in the Philippines" with Emily Beam (Vermont) and Arturo Martinez (Asian Development Bank)
- "The SCORE Trial: Remedial After-school Support Classes Offered in Rural Gambia" with the SCORE Trial team

"The ROPE Trial: Evaluating an Academic Intervention in Rural Guinea Bissau" with Peter Boone and Ila Fazzio

## **Previous Employment**

2009-10	Centre for Economic Performance, London School of Economics: Research
	Associate
2006-09	Effective Intervention, Hyderabad, India: Research and Project Manager
2005	United Nations Development Programme, Beijing, China: Programme
	Associate
2004	Micro-development volunteer, Dimaluo Village, Yunnan Province, China
2003	Economist Intelligence Unit, Beijing, China: Intern

## **Professional Activities**

Service: Society for Research on Educational Effectiveness Annual Conference 2019

Section Chair for Education in Global Contexts section

Presentations: 2018: AERA, NEUDC, Northwestern (MPES), Teachers College (Human

Development); Columbia (Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences), Rutgers (Economics), University of Texas, Austin (economics), Texas A&M (economics); 2017: Fordham (Economics), IZA/SOLE Transatlantic Meeting of Labor Economists, NEUDC, Pacific Development Conference, Teachers College (Human Development) Stanford (Education/FSI), University of Chicago (Committee on Education); 2016: Columbia (Teachers College) Fordham Development Conference, IZA/Renmin University Conference on the Chinese Labor Market in Transition, Saint Louis University, Scripps College, Tsinghua University (Institute of Education), UC Riverside; 2015: Cornell (Dyson), NEUDC, SOLE, US Department of Labor; 2014: APPAM, University of Wisconsin Annual Conference on South Asia, Wesleyan (Economics); 2013: Instituto Nacional de Estadística y Censos (National Census / Statistics Bureau Of Ecuador), NEUDC, PAA, Royal Economic Society Annual Conference; 2012: BREAD/Guanghua Summer School,

Georgetown (Political Science), NEUDC

Referee for: AERA Open, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy (5), Economics of

Education Review, Education Finance and Policy, International Journal of Educational Development, Journal of Development Economics (5), Journal of Education in Emergencies, Journal of Human Resources (2), Journal of

Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Urban

Economics (3), Labour Economics, Southern Economic Journal, World Bank

Economic Review; AEFP, SREE (2); Bulletin of the World Health Organization (2), Emerging Themes in Epidemiology; Routledge Books, UNESCO, World Bank Development Economics Research Group

## Research Funding, Fellowships, and Grants

2018-20	Teachers College Provost's Investment Fund (\$20,000)
2017-19	Teachers College Provost's Investment Fund (\$20,000)
2015-18	The SCORE Trial, co-PI (private donors; total budget > \$2,500,000)
2010-15	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship
2011-13	National Science Foundation IGERT Fellowship

## **Academic Honors and Scholarships**

2013	Abramson Award (third year paper prize)
2005-06	London School of Economics (LSE) Graduate Support Award
2005-06	American Friends of the LSE Annual Scholarship
2005	Phi Beta Kappa
2004-05	Wells Scholarship (internal award)

# **Teaching Experience**

Fall 2016-18	Microeconomic Theory with Applications to Education (MA), Columbia
	University
Spring 2017-18	Education and Economic Development (MA), Columbia University
Spring 2018	Frontiers of the Economics of Education in Developing Countries (PhD),
	Columbia University
Summer 2015	Statistics (MPA), Brown University, Teaching Fellow for John Friedman
Summer 2015	Microeconomics (MPA), Brown University, Teaching Fellow for Emily Oster