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Appointments

Economist, 2016-present, Economic Policy Institute
Research Economist, 2014-2016, Washington Center for Equitable Growth

Education

University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Ph.D., Economics, 2014
University of Georgia, Athens, B.S. *magna cum laude*, Mathematics, 2001

Teaching Experience

Social policy, inequality, and employment (Pompeu Fabra University)
Macroeconomics (University of Massachusetts, Amherst)
RA supervision and data analysis using STATA and R (Washington Center for Equitable Growth; Economic Policy Institute)

Refereed Publications

Sylvia Allegretto, Arindrajit Dube, Michael Reich, and Ben Zipperer. 2017. “Credible research designs for minimum wage studies: a response to Neumark, Salas, and Wascher.” *The Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, 70(3):559–592.

Ben Zipperer and Peter Skott. 2012. “An empirical evaluation of three post-Keynesian models.” *European Journal of Economics and Economic Policies: Intervention*. 9(2): 277-307.

Peter Skott and Ben Zipperer. 2011. “Cyclical patterns of employment, utilization and profitability.” *Journal of Post-Keynesian Economics*. 34(1):25-58.

John Schmitt, Margy Waller, Shawn Fremstad, and Ben Zipperer. 2008. “Unions and upward mobility for low-wage workers.” *WorkingUSA*. 11(3): 337-348.

John Schmitt and Ben Zipperer. 2007. “Is the United States a good model for reducing social exclusion in Europe?” *International Journal of Health Services*. 37(1):1-30.

Working papers

Doruk Cengiz, Arindrajit Dube, Attila Lindner, and Ben Zipperer. 2019. “The effect of minimum wages on the total number of jobs: Evidence from the U.S. using a bunching estimator.” NBER Working Paper No. 25434, January (revision requested, *Quarterly Journal of Economics*).

Ben Zipperer. 2016. “Did the minimum wage or the Great Recession reduce low-wage employment? Comments on Clemens and Wither (2016).” Working paper.

Ben Zipperer and Kavya Vaghul. 2016. “Historical state and sub-state minimum wage data.” Washington Center for Equitable Growth.

Arindrajit Dube and Ben Zipperer. 2015. "Pooled synthetic control estimates for recurring treatments: an application to minimum wage case studies." IZA Discussion Paper No. 8944.

Arindrajit Dube, Ethan Kaplan, and Ben Zipperer. 2015. "Excess Capacity and Heterogeneity in the Fiscal Multiplier: Evidence from the Obama Stimulus Package." Working paper.

Selected policy writing

Ben Zipperer. 2018. "Six reasons not to put too much weight on the new study of Seattle's minimum wage." Economic Policy Institute. August.

Josh Bivens and Ben Zipperer. 2018. "The importance of locking in full employment for the long haul." Economic Policy Institute. August.

David Cooper, Lawrence Mishel, and Ben Zipperer. 2018. "Bold increases in the minimum wage should be evaluated for the benefits of raising low-wage workers' total earnings." Economic Policy Institute. April.

Janelle Jones and Ben Zipperer. 2018. "Unfulfilled promises: Amazon fulfillment centers do not generate broad-based employment growth." Economic Policy Institute. April.

Ben Zipperer and John Schmitt. 2017. "The 'high road' Seattle labor market and the effects of the minimum wage increase." Economic Policy Institute. June.

Ben Zipperer. 2016. "Employment fell because of the Great Recession, not the minimum wage." Economic Policy Institute. December.

Ben Zipperer. 2016. "Credible research designs for minimum wage studies." Washington Center for Equitable Growth. August.

Ben Zipperer. 2016. "Why are negative employment effects of the minimum wage hard to find?" Washington Center for Equitable Growth. June.

Ben Zipperer. 2016. "History shows why New Hampshire has room for higher minimum wages." Washington Center for Equitable Growth. April.

Ben Zipperer. 2016. "African American workers are hurt more by the decline in union and manufacturing jobs." Washington Center for Equitable Growth. Washington Center for Equitable Growth. March.

Arindrajit Dube and Ben Zipperer. 2015. "Puerto Rico's predicaments: Is its minimum wage the culprit?" Washington Center for Equitable Growth. August.

Ben Zipperer. 2015. "Bolstering the bottom by indexing the minimum wage to the median wage." Washington Center for Equitable Growth. June.

Ben Zipperer. 2015. "How raising the minimum wage ripples through the workforce." Washington Center for Equitable Growth. April.

Ben Zipperer. 2014. "Designing a research agenda to move the minimum wage forward." Washington Center for Equitable Growth. July.

Affiliations and honors

Associate, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Health Policy and Management, 2018-present

Research Associate, Center on Wage and Employment Dynamics at University of California, Berkeley, 2015-present

Senior Research Associate, Center for Economic and Policy Research, 2008-present

Political Economy Research Institute Graduate Fellowship, 2007

Strahan Award for Most Outstanding Junior in Mathematics, 2000

University of Georgia Ramsey Scholarship, 1997-2001

Georgia Governor's Scholarship and Georgia HOPE Scholarship, 1997-2001