# Jacob Goldin

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Current Academic Appointments	
University of Chicago Law School	2022 – Present
Richard M. Lipton Professor of Tax Law	
National Bureau of Economic Research	2018 – Present
Faculty Research Fellow	
Prior Professional Experience	
Stanford University	2016 – 2022
Professor of Law, Stanford Law School (2022)	
Associate Professor of Law (2019-2022)	
Assistant Professor of Law (2016-2022)	
Professor of Economics (by courtesy) (2022)	
Associate Professor of Economics (by courtesy) (2019-2022)	
Assistant Professor of Economics (by courtesy) (2017-2019)	
Faculty Fellow, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (2016-2022)	
University of Chicago	
Visiting Assistant Professor of Law	Winter 2021
Office of Tax Policy, U.S. Department of the Treasury	2015 – 2016
Legal Advisor (focused on tax policy affecting low-income households)	
Treasury Delegate, Subcommittee on Social and Behavioral Sciences	
Hon. Richard Posner, Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals	2014 – 2015
Judicial Clerk	
Education	
Yale Law School, New Haven, CT	
J.D.	2014
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ	
M.A. in Economics	2010
Ph.D. in Economics	2015
Wesleyan University, Middletown, CT	
B.A. in Economics and Government	2007

## **Publications**

Whose Child? Designing Child-Claiming Rules for Safety Net Programs (with Ariel Jurow Kleiman), *Yale Law Journal* (2022).

Algorithmic Fairness and Vertical Equity: Income Fairness with IRS Tax Audit Models (with Emily Black, Hadi Elzayn, Alexandra Chouldechova, and Daniel E. Ho), *ACM Conference on Fairness, Accountability, and Transparency (FAccT '22)* (2022).

Tax Filing and Take-Up: Experimental Evidence on Tax Preparation Outreach and EITC Participation (with Tatiana Homonoff, Rizwan Javaid, and Brenda Schafer), *Journal of Public Economics* (2022).

Estimating the Net Fiscal Cost of a Child Tax Credit Expansion (with Elaine Maag and Katherine Michelmore) *Tax Policy and the Economy* (Forthcoming).

Who Benefits from the Child Tax Credit? (with Katherine Michelmore), National Tax Journal: Forum (2022).

Issuance and Incidence: SNAP Benefit Cycles and Grocery Prices (with Tatiana Homonoff and Katherine Meckel), *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy* (2022).

Optimal Defaults with Normative Ambiguity (with Daniel Reck), Review of Economics and Statistics (2022).

Health Insurance and Mortality: Experimental Evidence from Taxpayer Outreach (with Ithai Lurie and Janet McCubbin), *Quarterly Journal of Economics* (2021) (Editor's choice).

Sharp Lines and Sliding Scales in Tax Law (with Edward Fox), Tax Law Review (2020).

How Much to Save? Decision Costs and Retirement Plan Participation (with Tatiana Homonoff, Richard Patterson, and William Skimmyhorn), *Journal of Public Economics* (2020).

Communicating Tax Penalties to Delinquent Taxpayers: Evidence from a Field Experiment (with Taylor Cranor, Tatiana Homonoff, and Lindsay Moore), *National Tax Journal* (2020).

Revealed Preference Analysis with Framing Effects (with Daniel Reck), Journal of Political Economy (2020).

Does Informing Employees About Tax Benefits Increase Take-Up? Evidence from EITC Notification Laws (with Taylor Cranor and Sarah Kotb), *National Tax Journal* (2019).

Legal Rasputins? Law Clerk Influence on Voting at the U.S. Supreme Court (with Adam Bonica, Adam Chilton, Kyle Rozema, and Maya Sen), *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* (2019) (Editor's choice).

Tax Benefit Complexity and Take-Up: Lessons from the Earned Income Tax Credit, Tax Law Review (2018).

The Effects of Pretrial Detention on Conviction, Future Crime, and Employment: Evidence from Randomly Assigned Judges (with Will Dobbie and Crystal Yang), *American Economic Review* (2018) (Lead article).

Beyond Head of Household: Rethinking the Taxation of Single Parents (with Zachary Liscow), *Tax Law Review* (2018).

Raising the Stakes: Experimental Evidence on the Robustness of Taxpayer Mistakes (with Naomi Feldman and Tatiana Homonoff), *National Tax Journal* (2018).

Rationalizations and Mistakes: Optimal Policy with Normative Ambiguity (with Daniel Reck), *American Economic Association: Papers & Proceedings* (2018).

Caveat IRS: Problems with Abandoning the Full Deduction Rule (with Joseph Bankman, David Gamage, Daniel Hemel, Darien Shanske, Kirk Stark, Dennis Ventry, and Manoj Viswanathan), *Tax Notes* (2018).

State Responses to Federal Tax Reform: Charitable Tax Credits (with Joseph Bankman, David Gamage, Daniel Hemel, Darien Shanske, Kirk Stark, Dennis Ventry, and Manoj Viswanathan), *Tax Notes* (2018).

The Analysis of Survey Data with Framing Effects (with Daniel Reck), *The American Statistician* (2018).

Retirement Contribution Rate Nudges and Plan Participation: Evidence from a Field Experiment (with Tatiana Homonoff and William Tucker). *American Economic Review: Papers and Proceedings* (2017).

Libertarian Quasi-Paternalism (symposium contribution). Missouri Law Review (2017).

Participation in the IRS Free-File Program, *Tax Notes* (2017).

Defaults, Mandates, and Taxes: Policy Design with Active and Passive Decision-Makers (with Nicholas Lawson), *American Law and Economic Review* (2016).

Measuring Judicial Ideology Using Law Clerk Hiring (with Adam Bonica, Adam Chilton, Kyle Rozema, and Maya Sen), *American Law and Economic Review* (2016).

The Political Ideologies of Law Clerks (with Adam Bonica, Adam Chilton, Kyle Rozema, and Maya Sen), American Law and Economic Review (2016).

Consumer Borrowing After Payday Loan Bans (with Neil Bhutta and Tatiana Homonoff), *Journal of Law and Economics* (2016).

Which Way to Nudge? Uncovering Preferences in the Behavioral Age, Yale Law Journal (2015).

Optimal Tax Salience, Journal of Public Economics (2015).

Smoke Gets in Your Eyes: Cigarette Tax Salience and Regressivity (with Tatiana Homonoff), American Economic Journal: Economic Policy (2013).

Tax Expenditure Salience (with Yair Listokin), American Law and Economics Review (2013).

Reconsidering "Substance versus Form" in PPL v. Commissioner, *Tax Notes* (2012).

Sales Tax Not Included: Designing Commodity Taxes for Inattentive Consumers (Note), Yale Law Journal (2012).

## **Working Papers**

The Claiming of Children on U.S. Tax Returns (with Geoffrey Gee, Joseph Hancuch, Ithai Lurie, and Vedant Vohra).

Integrating Reward Maximization and Population Estimation: Sequential Decision-Making for Internal Revenue Service Audit Selection (with Peter Henderson, Ben Chugg, Brandon Anderson, Kristen Altenburger, Alex Turk, John Guyton, and Daniel E. Ho).

#### **Shorter Publications**

Designing a Universal Child Allowance: Who Can Claim Which Kids? (with Ariel Jurow Kleiman), Brookings Institution (2021).

How Should the Graduate Economics Core be Changed? (with Miguel Abito et al.), The Journal of Economic Education (2011).

The Opacity of Marginal Tax Rates (with Rosanne Altshuler), Tax Notes (2009).

Taxing Adjusted Gross Income Instead of Taxable Income (with Eric Toder), Tax Notes (2009).

## **Selected Awards and Grants**

## National Institute of Health Care Management Research Award 2022 Awarded for "Health Insurance and Mortality: Experimental Evidence from Taxpayer Outreach" (with Ithai Lurie and Janet McCubbin) Excellence in Reviewing Award, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics 2021 Richard A. Musgrave Prize for best article published in the National Tax Journal 2020 Awarded for "Communicating Tax Penalties to Delinquent Taxpayers: Evidence from a Field Experiment" (with Taylor Cranor, Tatiana Homonoff, and Lindsay Moore)

Laura and John Arnold Foundation	2020
Research grant (\$1.4m) to study the use of machine learning and artificial intelligence to improve tax enforcement strategies (with Daniel Ho).	
Stanford Institute for Human-Centered Artificial Intelligence	2020
Hoffman-Yee seed grant (\$500,000) to study active learning systems for improving tax of (with Daniel Ho, Guido Imbens, Jure Leskovec, Rebecca Lester, and Anne Joseph O'Cor	-
Institute of Public Finance (IIPF) Young Economists Award  Awarded for "Optimal Defaults with Normative Ambiguity" (with Daniel Reck)	2018
National Bureau of Economic Research	2016
Research grant (\$75,000) to study the Economics of Food Security, Nutrition, and Health (with Tatiana Homonoff and Katherine Meckel)	1
Yale Law School	
Winter Prize: Best paper in law and economics	2011
Clifford L. Porter Prize: Best paper on taxation	2011
Edgar M. Cullen Prize: Best paper by a first-year student	2011
Israel H. Peres Prize: Best student note or comment in the Yale Law Journal	2012
Princeton University	
Towbes Prize: Outstanding teaching in an economics class	2012
Albert Rees Prize for outstanding dissertation in labor economics	2021
Wesleyan University	
University Honors: Highest academic award	2007
Hallowell Prize: Top student in the social sciences	2007
Davenport Prize: Excellence in the study of government	2007
White Prize: Achievement in economics	2006, 2007
Plukas Teaching Apprentice Award: Excellence as a teaching apprentice	2006
Phi Beta Kappa	2006
National Merit Scholar	2003
Other Professional Experience	
Internal Revenue Service, Washington, D.C.	2019 - Present
Intergovernmental Personnel Act appointment to improve tax compliance	
Treasury Department, Office of Tax Policy, Washington, D.C.	Summer 2013
Department of Justice, Appellate Tax Division, Washington, D.C.	Summer 2012

## East Bay Community Law Center, Berkeley, CA Summer 2011 Tax Policy Center, Washington, D.C. Summer 2009 Legal Community Against Violence, San Francisco, CA 2007-2008 **Invited Presentations** American Bar Foundation 2022 Northwestern Law School; University of Chicago Law School; UC Hastings; Yale Law, Economics, and Organization Workshop; NTA. 2021 ASSA; University of Zurich; ETH-Zurich; University of Texas Austin Applied Micro Seminar (COVID-19 cancellation); NBER Public Economics Spring Meeting (COVID-19 cancellation); Notre Dame; Virtual Advances in Field Experiments Seminar; Triangle Health Economics Workshop; Junior Tax. 2020 Max Planck Institute for Tax Law and Public Finance; Berkeley Public Finance Seminar; University of Toronto Tax Workshop; Université du Québec à Montréal Economics Department Seminar; Western Economic Association International; Annual Health Economics Conference; NTA; Harvard Law and Economics; Cornell Behavioral Economics and Public Economics Workshops. 2019 Columbia Law and Economics; University of San Diego Tax Speaker Series; UVA Tax Conference; Michigan Tax Policy Workshop; Junior Tax; Georgetown Tax Law Workshop; Office of Tax Analysis, U.S. Department of the Treasury; NYU Tax Policy Colloquium; Berkeley Law, 2018 Economics and Business Workshop; UCLA Tax Policy Colloquium; ALEA; NTA. Tulane Tax Roundtable; Maxwell School of Public Affairs at Syracuse University; University of Chicago Law and Economics Workshop; Behavioral Law and Economics Conference at 2017 Vanderbilt University; Northwestern Tax Colloquium. Loyola (Los Angeles) Tax Policy Colloquium; University of Texas Law and Economics Seminar; Georgetown Tax Law Workshop; Harvard Tax Policy Seminar; Duke Behavioral Economics and the Law Seminar; Duke Tax Policy Seminar; NYU Behavioral Economics and Public Policy Workshop; University of Missouri Symposium on Evaluating Nudge; NTA; CELS. 2016 2015 Journal of Empirical Legal Studies Junior Workshop; NTA. Stanford Law School; Yale Law School; Cornell Behavioral Economics Workshop; NTA; ALEA. 2014 ALEA; CELS; NTA. 2013 Conference on Empirical Legal Studies (CELS); National Tax Association (NTA); American Law and Economics Association (ALEA). 2012

## Bar Membership

Illinois

#### **Professional Service**

National Tax Association Annual Conference Program Committee (2016, 2018, 2019) Program Co-Chair (2021)

NBER Public Economics Spring Meeting (2021), Co-Organizer

American Law and Economics Association Area Organizer for Annual Conference (2020, 2022) Board of Directors, 2021 -

## Referee

American Economic Review; American Economic Review: Insights; American Economic Journal: Economic Policy; American Economic Journal: Applied Economics; American Journal of Public Health; American Law and Economics Review; Economica; European Economic Review; Food Policy; Harvard Law Review; Health Affairs; Health Economics; International Tax and Public Finance; JAMA – Internal Medicine; Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization; Journal of Economic Psychology; Journal of Empirical Legal Studies; Journal of Health Economics; Journal of Labor Economics; Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization; Journal of Law and Economics; Journal of Legal Analysis; Journal of Legal Studies; Journal of Policy Analysis and Management; Journal of Political Economy; Journal of Public Economics; MIT Press; National Tax Journal; National Science Foundation; Proceedings of the National Academy of Science; Public Finance and Management; Public Finance Review; Quarterly Journal of Economics; Regulation and Governance; Review of Economics and Statistics; Review of Economic Studies; Science; Stanford Law Review; Southern Economic Journal; Trends in Cognitive Sciences; Yale Law Journal.