Across the world, and particularly in developing nations, people in rural areas tend to earn less than people in urban areas. Does this difference imply misallocation, where rural workers could earn more simply by moving to urban areas? Or are these differences in observed wages driven by unobserved differences between the people living in urban and rural areas? This project seeks to answer this question using panel data from multiple countries.

Experience with Stata.

Award: Hannah Moreno
Tobin Application Link: Tobin Application
Project Type: Tobin RA
Project Type Year: Spring 2019 Tobin Research Projects
Project Year: 2019
Term: Spring 2019

Source URL: https://economics.yale.edu/undergraduate/tobin/spring-2019/rural-urban-wage-gaps