

ECON 3248 Diversity and Development: High Skilled Migration

Harvard CID Theory of Skills and Development (the scrabble theory of development)

Innovation and growth is easier in complex economies that produce many different products

High-Tech Products involve the skills of many very different workers collaborating to produce single product

High growth cities and countries have a large number of immigrants (birthplace diversity)

Robert Putnam's contribution: Ethnic diversity is difficult at first ("Bowling alone") but in the long run

Success "super-diversity" cities: Amsterdam & NYC have no majority group, many ethnic minorities,

Examples of Immigration driven Growth and Prosperity

- Rapid growth in many Cities: and see Enrico Moretti 2012 The New Geography of Jobs [HM](#) excerpt w/Tables & Figures
- DACA (deferred action childhood arrivals) see [NY Times Chronology](#)
- Rapid growth in Texas: see Robert Putnam's [Amicus Brief, Fisher b. Univ of Texas](#) & [Abascal, Maria & Delia Baldassarri](#) see [Love thy Neighbor](#)
- Key is reducing inequality how do we do this? CUNY and California State Colleges "social mobility machines"
- Education College is key to Social Mobility see Chetty et al. [2018 Big Data Course](#) (recall MTOs) [Lost Einsteins see slide 27](#)

Case Study Data Sources for States and Cities:

[New American Economy](#) has data on cities and states See for example: [San Francisco](#) and [New York](#)

See also the [MPI Migration data hub](#) [MPI Data by state and Country](#) [MPI Global Remittances](#)

[Pew Research Center](#)

Lecture Topics

High Skilled Immigration

College and Social Mobility: [Dreamers Wild Ride](#) [Immigrants in the Bronx](#) [Skilled migration from SSA](#) [World Migration](#)

Immigration and Crime: [MS-13 In LI](#) U Visas [LI Teens in Court](#)

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Abascal, Maria and Delia Baldassarri (2016) "[Don't Blame Diversity for Distrust](#)" NY Times [Opinion: Gray Matter](#), May 20th 2016

Abascal, Maria, and Delia Baldassarri. (2015) "Love thy neighbor? [Ethnoracial diversity and trust reexamined.](#)" *American Journal of Sociology* 121, no. 3):722-782. (58 citations)

Jordan, Mirian and Sona Patel (2018) Thousands of 'Dreamers,' [It Has Been a Wild Ride](#). And It's Not Over Yet, New York Times <https://nyti.ms/2HsaS8j>

[German Refugees to Germany](#) [German-Turk Corridor](#) [Superdiversity Amsterdam NLD](#) [pdf](#) [Changing Face of World Cities](#) [2nd Generation Turks](#)

Addendum: Is the ethno-populist anti-trade and anti-immigrant backlash in the UK, USA and Italy an outcome of Globalization?

The Elephant Diagram suggests it was slower growth of incomes and unemployment [See this FT video](#) and Economist "[Shooting an Elephant](#)" [September 17th 2016](#) see also Fordham [CIPS Blog entry Michaelangelo's Pizza](#)

Trump Voters Driven by Fear of Losing Status, Not Economic Anxiety, Study finds [NY Times April 24th 2018](#)

Nora Lustig, 2016 [Elections Outcomes reflect rising horizontal equality](#): VOX CEPR policy portal

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Hanson, Gordon H., and Chen Liu. "High-Skilled Immigration and the Comparative Advantage of Foreign-Born Workers across US Occupations." [In High-Skilled Migration to the United States and its Economic Consequences](#). University of Chicago Press, 2017.

High-skilled immigration has important consequences for U.S. economic development. In modern growth theory, the share of workers specialized in R&D plays a role in setting the pace of long-run growth (Jones, 2002). Because high-skilled immigrants are drawn to STEM fields, they are likely to be inputs into U.S. innovation. Recent work finds evidence consistent with high-skilled immigration having contributed to advances in U.S. innovation. Page 3 <http://www.nber.org/chapters/c13841.pdf>

When it comes to innovation, there appears to be nothing “special” about foreign-born workers, other than their proclivity for studying STEM disciplines in a university. The National Survey of College Graduates shows that foreign-born individuals are far more likely than the native-born to obtain a patent, and more likely still to obtain a patent that is commercialized (Hunt, 2011). It is also the case that foreign-born students are substantially more likely to major in engineering, math, and the physical sciences, all fields strongly associated with later patenting. Once one controls for the major field of study, the foreign-native born differential in patenting disappears. page 3

In this paper, we examine the changing presence of foreign-born college-educated workers in the U.S. labor force and characterize the occupational specialization of these workers over time. The presence of highly educated foreign-born workers varies markedly by occupation. Whereas their share of employment rises modestly from 4.2% in 1960 to 11.6% in 2010-12 in education, law, and social-service occupations, it jumps from 6.6% to 28.1% over this same period in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM). Across occupations, there are pronounced differences in employment patterns by immigrants according to their country of origin. In STEM jobs, the share of U.S. workers who are from India rises from near zero in 1960 to 9.3%, accounting for one-third of all foreign-born workers, in 2010-12. In health-related occupations, it is workers from Southeast Asia whose employment shares have risen most dramatically, reaching 5.4%, or one-fifth of all foreign workers, in 2010-12 from negligible levels five decades previously



Holyhood Church congregation members bless Amanda Morales, who attends the Spanish-language mass every Sunday at noon. "Amanda is the force of our community, the face of many mothers who are being deported and separated from their children," says the Rev. Luis Barrios. "We bless Amanda with our hands and souls." (*Cinthy Santos Briones*)

<https://today.law.harvard.edu/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Sanctuary-Campus-Toolkit.pdf>

[Amanda Morales](#)

<https://www.thenation.com/article/the-walls-of-this-church-are-the-only-thing-standing-between-amanda-morales-and-deportation/>

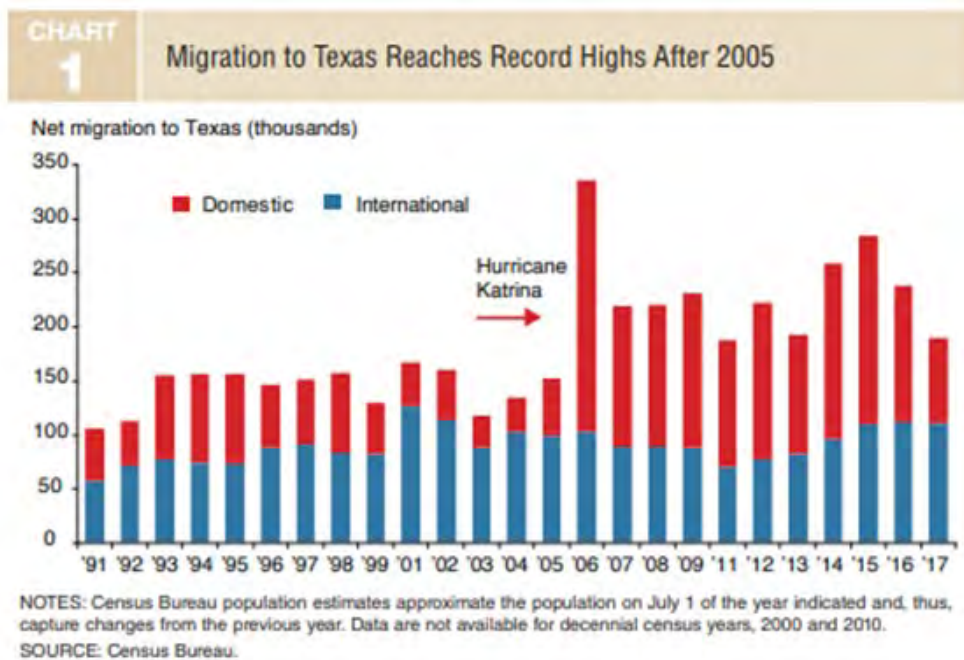
[Harvard Law Sanctuary Campus Toolkit and FAQs](#)

Valeria Luiselli (2017) [Tell me how it ends](#) Democracy Now: [Mexican Writer Valeria Luiselli on Child Refugees](#) & Rethinking the Language Around Immigration

Part II: Texas Case Study

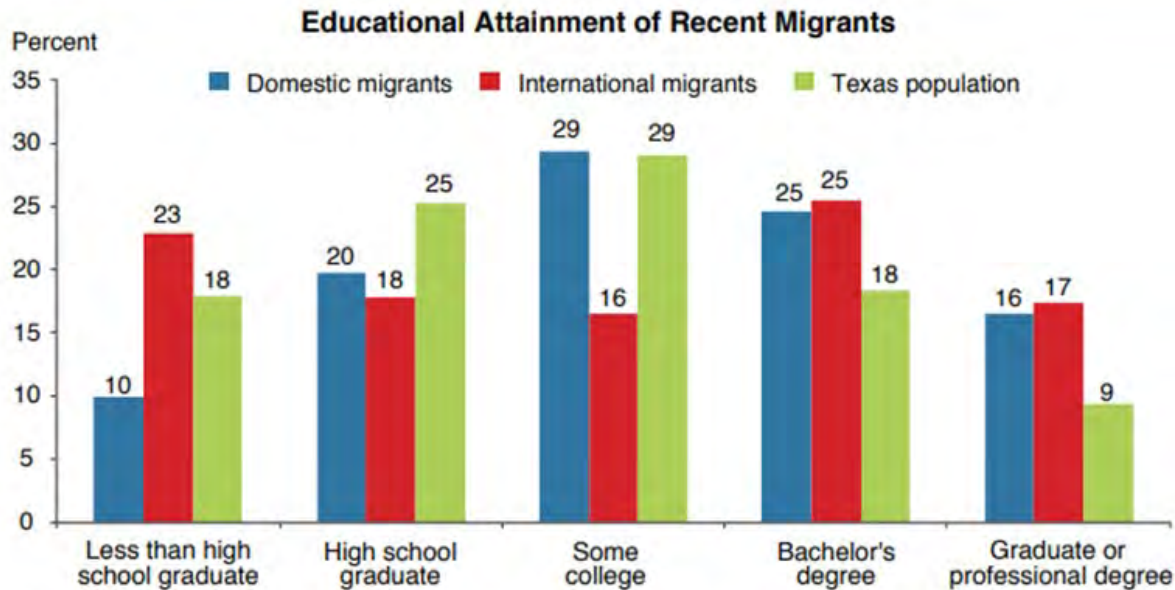
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**CHART
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New Arrivals a Key Source of Skilled Workers for Texas



NOTE: Calculations include individuals age 25 and over who moved to the state during the 12 months prior to being surveyed.

SOURCE: American Community Survey, 2011–16.

Texas Visual Politik https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=i61O-uTCy_k

Through Professor Elaine Congress of Fordham University School of Social Work

There is some valuable information about the office of

Maria Lizardo, LMSW head of a Bronx/Wash Heights settlement house, Northern

Manhattan Improvement Corporation (they work in both boroughs)

<http://www.nmic.org/about/staff/>

Maria mention her organizations "ICE Protocol" training (what to do if ICE comes to their organization door). I am sure she would share her protocol with us.

NMIC offices are definitely a safe place in our neighborhood, and they put their bilingual "know your rights" on line, via facebook,

<http://www.nmic.org/2018/01/25/nmics-bronx-know-your-rights-forum-featured-by-ny1-noticias/>

NMIC offers free immigration legal consultations 2nd Wednesday of every month (Fordham LC?)

<http://www.nmic.org/wp-content/uploads/Immigration-Intake-Flyer-Bilingual-2018.pdf>

And perhaps most important she reminded us about the case of Amanda Morales, living proof that sanctuary is not an illusion (I had heard about cases like hers in CT and NJ, but she is just across Harlem River..).

<https://www.thenation.com/article/the-walls-of-this-church-are-the-only-thing-standing-between-amanda-morales-and-deportation/>

Immigrants and Crime

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Caravans from Central America

Migrants from caravan gather in Mexico, prepare to seek U.S. asylum <https://www.wsj.com/articles/migrants-gather-in-mexico-prepare-to-seek-u-s-asylum-1524698537> via @WSJ

