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Short Bio-Sketch

Robert Fairlie is Professor of Economics at the University of California, Santa Cruz and Research Associate, National Bureau of Economic Research. His research interests include entrepreneurship, education, information technology, inequality, labor economics, and immigration. He is currently working on research projects on the impacts of COVID-19 on small business owners, taxable sales, and community college students. He is also working on projects exploring job creation among entrepreneurs, racial inequality, and water conservation. He received his Ph.D. and M.A. from Northwestern University and B.A. with honors from Stanford University. He has held visiting positions at Stanford University, Yale University, UC Berkeley and Australian National University. He has received funding for his research from numerous government agencies and foundations. He has testified to the U.S. Senate, U.S. House of Representatives, U.S. Department of Treasury, and the California State Assembly regarding the findings from his research, and received a joint resolution from the California Legislature.