

# LARISSA PETRUCCI, PhD

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## EMPLOYMENT

**Policy & Research Analyst**, 2022 - Current  
NorCal Construction Industry Compliance

**Postdoctoral Research Associate**, 2021 - 2022  
Project for Middle Class Renewal, School of Labor and Employment Relations, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

**Research Assistant**, 2019 - 2021  
Labor Education and Research Center, University of Oregon

## EDUCATION

**Ph.D., University of Oregon, Sociology**, 2021  
**M.S., University of Oregon, Sociology**, 2016  
**B.A., San Francisco State University, Sociology**, 2014

## PUBLICATIONS

### Research Reports

Petrucci, Larissa ([2025](#)). "Crafting Careers: Registered Apprenticeship in California's Construction Industry." NorCal Construction Industry Compliance.

Manzo IV, Frank, Robert Bruno, and Larissa Petrucci ([2023](#)). "The Economic Impact of Prevailing Wage Law Repeals on Construction Market Outcomes: Evidence from Repeals Between 2015 - 2018." Illinois Economic Policy Institute and Project for Middle Class Renewal, University of Illinois.

Manzo, Frank IV, Larissa Petrucci, and Robert Bruno ([2022](#)). "The Union Advantage During the Construction Labor Shortage." Illinois Economic Policy Institute and Project for Middle Class Renewal, University of Illinois.

Petrucci, Larissa ([2021](#)). "Constructing a Diverse Workforce: Examining Union and Non-Union Construction Apprenticeship Programs and Their Outcomes for Women and Workers of Color." Labor Education & Research Center, Department of Sociology, University of Oregon.

### Peer-Reviewed

Petrucci, Larissa, Mathew Hinkel, Grace Dunn (2025). "Timely Construction: The Effect of Project Labor Agreements on Time to Completion for Public Works Construction in Sacramento County, CA." *ILR Review*.

## **Policy Briefs**

Petrucci, Larissa ([May 2025](#)). *Penalty Reform: How California's Public Works Enforcement Agency Could Better Protect Workers and Taxpayers*. NorCal Construction Industry Compliance.

Petrucci, Larissa ([July 2024](#)). *Affordable Housing at What Cost? Some Private Entities Fail to Ensure Responsible Contracting in California*. NorCal Construction Industry Compliance.

## **CALIFORNIA LEGISLATION**

### **AB 538** - Chaptered October 11, 2025

Requires awarding bodies to obtain certified payroll records from relevant contractors and make them available to the requesting entity. Authorizes the Division of Labor Standards Enforcement to enforce certain penalties if a contractor fails to comply with the awarding body's request within 10 days of receipt of the notice.

### **AB 1121** - Chaptered October 8, 2023

Requires California Awarding agencies to annually submit to the Department of Industrial Relations' a list of ineligible contractors, pursuant to local debarment or suspension processes.

## **PRESENTATIONS**

"Crafting Careers: California's Registered Apprenticeship." Research Initiatives. National Alliance for Fair Contracting, Chicago, IL, 2025.

"Selling the Union Advantage." IUOE Prevailing Wage Conference, Crosby, TX, 2025.

"Building Quality in Construction - The Economic and Social Impacts of High and Low-Road Construction Practices." Labor Employment Relations Association, Seattle, WA 2025.

"Project Compliance 2025 (Davis Bacon)." Ironworker Management Progressive Action Cooperative Trust Annual Conference. Orlando, FL, 2025.

"Conducting Research in a Joint Labor-Management Organization." Construction Industry Research and Publications. National Alliance for Fair Contracting, Nashville, TN, 2024.

"Timely Construction: The Effect of Project Labor Agreements on Completion Timeliness in Sacramento County, CA." Labor Employment Relations Association, New York City, New York, 2024.

"Labor Compliance and Enforcement Laws in California." Ironworker Management Progressive Action Cooperative Trust Annual Conference. Orlando, FL, 2024.

“The Effect of Project Labor Agreements on Completion Timeliness for Public Works Construction in California.” Institute for Construction Employment Research Symposium, Silver Springs, MD, 2023.

“Timely Construction: The Effect of Project Labor Agreements on Completion Timeliness for Public Works Construction in California.” National Alliance for Fair Contracting, Online, 2024.

“The Union Advantage in Construction.” The Latest Construction Industry Research and Publications. National Alliance for Fair Contracting, Chicago, IL, 2022.

“The Union Difference in Construction.” U.S. Department of Labor, Future of Work Working Group, 2022.

“Constructing Diversity: Assessing the Union Difference in Racial and Gender Equity Outcomes in Apprenticeship.” Labor Education and Research Center, National Apprenticeship Week, 2021.

## **SKILLS**

### **Tools and Technology**

Qualtrics | STATA | Salesforce | Dodge Construction Central | Microsoft Excel

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS**

**Research Scholar, Institute for Construction Economic Research (ICERES)**

**Member, National Alliance for Fair Contracting (NAFC)**

**Member, Labor and Employment Relations Association (LERA)**

## **REFERENCES**

**Dina Morsi**, Executive Director, NorCal Construction Industry Compliance,  
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**Dr. Robert Bruno**, Director and Professor, Project for Middle Class Renewal, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, [bbruno@illinois.edu](mailto:bbruno@illinois.edu)

**Dr. Ellen Scott**, Professor of Sociology, University of Oregon, [escott@uoregon.edu](mailto:escott@uoregon.edu)