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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

Michigan Technological University, Houghton, MI 2018 - present
Assistant Professor of Economics, College of Business

EDUCATION

University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, AL 2013 - 2018
Department of Economics, Finance, & Legal Studies
Doctor of Philosophy in Economics (Awarded May 2018)
Dissertation: "The Essays on Labor Market Dynamics in Brazil"

University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC 2009 - 2013
Bachelor of Arts in Mathematics; Bachelor of Arts in Economics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labor Economics, International Trade, Economics of Gender, Public Policy, Applied Microeconomics

PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

"Who Creates Stable Jobs? Evidence from Brazil" (with Peter Brummund), *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics* (2019), Vol. 81(3), pp. 540 – 563.

"Evaluating the Impact of the Labor Market Conditions Index on Labor Market Forecasts" (with Alice Sheehan), *Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics* (2018), Vol. 22 (1).

PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

"The Effects of a Trade Shock on Gender-Specific Labor Market Outcomes in Brazil" (Revisions Requested at *Labour Economics*)

WORKING PAPERS

"Labor Market Dynamics and Trade with China: The Case of Brazil" (with Peter Brummund)

"Understanding the Gender Wage Gap Among American City Managers" (with Jennifer Connolly)

"Is There a Glass Cliff in City Management? Exploring the Hiring Decisions of Municipal Councils Searching for a New City Manager" (with Jennifer Connolly and Kate Yang)

PRESENTATIONS

Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Boston, MA (Scheduled) March 2020
Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Ft. Lauderdale, FL November 2019
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Intl. Conference, Barcelona, Spain July 2019
Michigan Technological University, School of Business and Economics, Houghton, MI March 2019
Michigan Technological University, Economics Club, Houghton, MI October 2018
Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC November 2018
Southeastern International/Development Economics Workshop, Atlanta, GA March 2018
Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Tampa, FL November 2017
Wake Forest University, Department of Economics, Winston-Salem, NC October 2017

Eastern Economic Association Annual Meeting, New York, NY	February 2017
American Economic Association Annual Meeting Poster Session, Chicago, IL	January 2017
Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Washington, DC	November 2016
United States International Trade Commission, Office of Economics, Washington, DC	July 2016
Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA	November 2015

AWARDS & GRANTS

Dean's Teaching Showcase, College of Business, Michigan Technological University	Spring 2020
Outstanding Dissertation Award, Culverhouse College of Business, University of Alabama	April 2019
Summer Excellence in Research Grant, University of Alabama	Summer 2017
Summer Excellence in Research Grant, University of Alabama	Summer 2015

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Strategic Planning Committee Member	Fall 2019 – Spring 2020
Undergraduate Program Committee Member	Fall 2018 – Spring 2019
Reviewer for Research Excellence Fund Proposals	Spring 2019
Judge for Pavlis Honors College Undergraduate Research Symposium	Spring 2019
Volunteer for Semi-annual Free Business Clothing Sale	Fall 2018, Spring 2019
Judge for Blue Key Honor Society's Winter Carnival Queen Preliminary Interview	Fall 2018

AD HOC REVIEWING

Review of Regional Studies, Southern Economic Journal, Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy, and Contemporary Economic Policy

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Economic Decision Analysis
Intermediate Microeconomics
Labor/Human Resource Economics

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Student Economist Trainee, US International Trade Commission, Office of Economics AEA Summer Economics Fellow	Summer 2016
Research Assistant, University of Southern California, Price School "The Risk and Rewards of City Management: Theory and Evidence from California Cities"	Spring 2013 – Spring 2014

REFERENCES

Dr. Peter Brummund (email: pbrummund@cba.ua.edu; phone: (205) 348-5604)
Associate Professor of Economics, University of Alabama

Dr. Walter Enders (email: wenders@cba.ua.edu; phone: (205) 348-6094)
Professor Emeritus (Bidgood Chair of Economics and Finance), University of Alabama

Dr. Paul Pecorino (email: ppecorin@cba.ua.edu; phone: (205) 348-0379)
James Patrick and Elizabeth B. Hayes Professor of Economics, University of Alabama