

## CURRICULUM VITAE

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### Education

Pursuing a PhD in Economics, University of Wisconsin-Madison	<i>Fall 2020-Spring 2025 (Anticipated)</i>
<i>Committee: Chris Taber, Chao Fu, Jesse Gregory</i>	
B.S. Economics (Summa Cum Laude), University of Minnesota Twin Cities	<i>Spring 2018</i>
B.A. Mathematics (Magna Cum Laude), University of Minnesota Twin Cities	<i>Spring 2018</i>

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### Working Papers

*Job Market Paper: "Home Town Labor Markets and Degree Choice" with Andrew Smith*  
"Top Percent Plans and Student Beliefs about STEM Ability"  
"Student Transferring and Outcomes under the Texas Public Education Grant" with Andrew Smith

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### Publication

"The Effects of Macroeconomic Shocks: Household Financial Distress Matters" with Kartik Athreya, José Mustre-Del Río, and Juan M. Sánchez. *The Review of Financial Studies*, Vol 38, Issue 2, February 2025

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### Work Experience

Research Assistant, University of Wisconsin Madison with Naoki Aizawa	<i>September 2022-May 2023</i>
Research Associate, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis	<i>June 2018-May 2020</i>
Intern II – Supervisory Policy and Risk Analysis, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis	<i>May-August 2017</i>

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### Teaching Assistantships at the University of Wisconsin-Madison

Statistics: Measurement in Economics (Econ 310) with Gregory Pac	<i>Spring 2024, Fall 2024, Spring 2025</i>
Principles of Microeconomics (Econ 101, Online Course) with Gregory Pac	<i>Summer 2024</i>
Statistics: Measurement in Economics (Econ 310) with Christopher McKelvey	<i>Fall 2023</i>
Principles of Microeconomics (Econ 101, Head TA) with David Johnson	<i>Spring 2022</i>
Mathematical Economics I (Econ 703, PhD Math Camp) with Anna Bykhovskaya	<i>Fall 2021</i>
Principles of Microeconomics (Econ 101) with David Johnson	<i>Fall 2020</i>

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### Funding and Awards

Juli Plant Grainger Teach Excellence Scholarship	<i>Fall 2024</i>
Juli Plant Grainger Summer Research Scholarship with Andrew Smith	<i>2022 and 2023</i>
Department of Economics Funding to access Texas ERC data with Andrew Smith	<i>2022-2023</i>
Second place senior thesis, Minnesota Economic Association Student Paper Contest	<i>2017</i>
<i>For "Determinants of Diversification: A Study of Ecuadorian Exports"</i>	
<i>Paper Adviser: Thomas Holmes</i>	
Second place term paper, Minnesota Economic Association Student Paper Contest	<i>2017</i>

For "Temporary Assistance with Lasting Effects: A Report on Policies of Self-Determination in Native America"

*Paper Adviser: Paul Glewwe*

I-UROP Funding, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

2017

UROP Funding, University of Minnesota Twin Cities

2016

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### **Presentations**

Carroll Round at Georgetown University, Presented "Determinants of Diversification"

2018

Instituto de Altos Estudios Nacionales (IAEN) in Ecuador, Presented "Los determinantes de diversificación: Un estudio de las exportaciones ecuatorianas"

2017

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### **Unpaid Experience**

Volunteer, El Banco Desarrollo in Quito, Ecuador

March-May 2017

*Prepared and taught a short employee training course in Spanish on Excel*

Intern, Rosebud Economic Development Corporation (REDCO) in Mission, South Dakota

June-August 2016

*Assisted in REDCO's work for the Rosebud Native American Reservation*

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### **Selected Citations of Research**

National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine 2019. "Other Policy and Program Approaches to Child Poverty Reduction." *A Roadmap to Reducing Child Poverty*. Washington, DC: The National Academies Press. Cited "Temporary Assistance with Lasting Effects: A Report on Policies of Self-Determination in Native America." (2017)

Ritholtz, Barry. "The Economy is Booming. So is Financial Stress." *Bloomberg*. 30 May 2019

Cited "The Unequal Recovery: Measuring Financial Distress by ZIP Code" with Juan M. Sánchez

Cohen, Patricia. "Struggling in a Good Economy, and Now Struggling in a Crisis." *The New York Times*, 16 Apr. 2020

Cited "Covid-19 and Households' Financial Distress Part 1: Employment Vulnerability and (Financial) Pre-Existing Conditions." (2020) with Kartik Athreya, José Mustre-Del Río, and Juan M. Sánchez

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