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## EDUCATION

<b>University of South Carolina</b> <i>Ph.D. Economics</i>	Columbia, SC <i>Expected May 2021</i>
<b>Clemson University</b> <i>M.A. Economics</i>	Clemson, SC <i>Aug. 2016</i>
<b>University of South Carolina</b> <i>B.S.B.A. International Business and Economics, Summa Cum Laude</i>	Columbia, SC <i>May 2013</i>

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Regional/Urban Economics, Economic Development and Growth, International Economics

## RESEARCH PAPERS

*“The Kia Effect: The Impact of FDI in Rural America”*  
*“The Empire Strikes Back: The Effect of Culture on the Allocation of FDI in Eastern Europe”*  
*“Incentives and the Location of Greenfield Foreign Investment”*  
*“Consumer Valuation of Fuel Economy in the Australian Automobile Market”*

## ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

<b>Research Assistant</b> <i>Division of Research, University of South Carolina</i> Advisor: Douglas P. Woodward	Fall 2017 – Present <i>Columbia, SC</i>
<b>Economics Instructor</b> <i>Department of Economics, University of South Carolina</i> Served as the primary instructor for introductory economic theory course titled, Principles of Economics (ECON 224). In this role, I developed the curriculum and examinations for the course and taught classes of 50-100 students each semester. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Spring 2020: Course Evaluation (4.41/5.0)</li><li>• Fall 2019: Course Evaluation (4.21/ 5.0)</li><li>• Spring 2019: Course Evaluation (4.4/5.0)</li><li>• Fall 2018: Course Evaluation (3.11/5.0)</li></ul>	Aug. 2018 – May 2020 <i>Columbia, SC</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant</b> <i>Department of Economics, University of South Carolina</i> Led recitation sections and held weekly office hours in the department as well as assisted professors with grading and proctoring exams. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Principles of Microeconomics (ECON 221)</li><li>• Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON 222)</li><li>• Intermediate Macroeconomics (ECON 322)</li><li>• Introductory Econometrics (ECON 436)</li><li>• International Development Economics (ECON 505)</li><li>• International Trade (ECON 503)</li></ul>	Aug 2016 – May 2018 <i>Columbia, SC</i>

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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<i>"The Empire Strikes Back: The Effect of Culture on the Allocation of FDI in Eastern Europe"</i>	November 2020
Southern Economic Association, Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA	
<i>"Incentives and the Location of Greenfield Foreign Investment"</i>	April 2019
Southern Regional Science, Annual Meeting, Arlington, VA	
<i>"Incentives and the Location of Greenfield Foreign Investment"</i>	November 2018
Southern Economic Association, Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.	

## SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

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University of South Carolina, Department of Economics	October 2020
University of South Carolina, Department of Economics	November 2018

## DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES

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University of South Carolina, Honors College	May 2019
Isabella Starke: Undergraduate Honors Thesis, <i>Committee Member</i>	
Doctoral Student Association	Aug. 2016 - May 2018
<i>Economics Department Board Member</i>	

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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**Vanguard** | *Client Relationship Specialist* June 2013 – July 2015

Developed and maintained relationships with high net worth clients by providing investment guidance and portfolio assistance.

- Communicated timely investment information to clients and acted as a behavioral coach during tumultuous market conditions.
- Presented white papers at weekly huddles and compiled economic and market trends for my team each week.
- Developed a strategy for account administrators to use to increase breadth of contact and engagement with 750 households.
- Managed 1.4 billion dollars over a period of 3 months, which included proactive client outreach and guidance on Vanguard products.
- Led 2 classes of new hires in obtaining industry and company knowledge by providing in-classroom instruction and one-on-one coaching.

**Citigroup Yield Book** | *Yield Book Lead Intern* Jan. 2013 – May 2013

Led a team of five interns from USC to develop an understanding of fixed income analysis.

- Communicated weekly accomplishments to USC program leader and Yield Book Manager.
- Mastered Bloomberg Systems and Yield Book software through analysis of 50 Bloomberg and Yield Book case studies.

**Target Distribution Center** | *Operations Management Intern* June 2012 – Aug. 2012

Led a group of 30 team members to meet daily productivity goals to ensure on time delivery to stores.

- Established staffing and volume decisions for my department and motivated team members and peers to achieve shift goals.
- Communicated with headquarters about my departments strengths and opportunities and shared ideas for improvement.
- Originated and led the implementation of two company-wide process improvements.
- Engaged in personal leadership development through a regional intern conference and workshops with senior managers.

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Programs:** Stata, R, ArcGIS, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Microsoft Office

**Languages:** Romanian *Native*, English *Fluent*, Spanish *Intermediate*

## REFERENCES

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### **Douglas P. Woodward**

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