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Fields of Interest

Public Economics, Labor Economics, Economics of Education

Education

Florida State University Tallahassee, FL
Ph.D., Economics (Expected May 2028)
M.S., Economics, December 2024

Georgia College & State University Milledgeville, GA
B.S., Economics (Magna Cum Laude), May 2023

Working Papers

Performance Pay at Scale: Teacher Retention and Mobility under Texas's Teacher Incentive Allotment
Draft available upon request.

Performance Incentives and Moral Hazard: Evidence from Teachers
Work in progress.

Teaching Experience

Instructor of Record, Florida State University Summer 2025
Principles of Macroeconomics
Instructor rating: 4.91/5.00 (73% response rate)

Teaching Assistant, Florida State University
Introduction to Econometrics Spring 2024, Spring 2025
Economics of Information Fall 2023
Principles of Microeconomics and Macroeconomics Fall 2023 – Spring 2025

Research Assistantships

Research Assistant for Shawn Kantor, Florida State University Fall 2025 – Present
• Collaborating on a co-authored research project in economic history.
• Conducting data construction, empirical analysis, and research design development using large-scale historical and administrative datasets.

Honors, Scholarships, and Fellowships

- Baugh Doctoral Fellowship, Florida State University 2023 – Present
- Charles E. Rockwood Award for Excellence in Teaching Summer 2025

Seminar Presentations

- FSU Quantitative Economics Workshop, Tallahassee, FL Spring 2026

Computational Skills

R (fixest, did), Stata, Python (pandas), LaTex

References

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