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## Employment

Florida Gulf Coast University

2021 – Pres. **Director**, Regional Economic Research Institute (RERI)

2020 – 2021 **Interim Director**, Regional Economic Research Institute (RERI)

2019 – Pres. **Assistant Professor**, Lutgert College of Business

## Education

2019 **Ph.D.** Economics, *West Virginia University*

2012 **M.A.** Applied Economics, *Universidade Federal de Juiz de Fora, Brazil*

2009 **B.A.** Economics, *Universidade Federal de Juiz de Fora, Brazil*

## External Funding

### Grants

<b>2022</b>	Southwest Florida Equitable Pipeline Jobs, PI, US Department of Commerce/EDA	<i>\$23,871,501</i>
	American Rescue Plan Evaluation for Collier County, Co-PI, Collier County Government	<i>\$600,000</i>

## Industry Sponsored Research

<b>2022</b>	Airglades International Airport Economic Impact Assessment	<i>\$17,550</i>
	Change for Change Economic Impact Assessment, PI	<i>\$6,000</i>
	Financial Assessment for Fort Myers Beach Fire District, PI	<i>\$15,000</i>
	Bonita Spring Seasonal Population Estimate, Co-PI	<i>\$114,621</i>
<b>2021</b>	Economic Impact of a Public-Private Partnership at Punta Gorda Airport, PI	<i>\$8,000</i>
	SWFL Community and Economic Profile, PI	<i>\$15,000</i>
	NCH Healthcare System Economic Impact Analysis, PI	<i>\$60,000</i>
<b>2020</b>	Collier County Vital Signs Report, PI	<i>\$10,000</i>

## Publications

Peer-Reviewed Journal Publications: (Note: <sup>u</sup> undergraduate student; <sup>g</sup> graduate student)

28. Luiz Ribeiro, Morais Laudenor<sup>g</sup>, Luiz Carlos Gama, and Amir B. Ferreira Neto. (2023) Regional and Sectorial Impacts of the Covid-19 Pandemic In Sergipe, Brazil. *Growth and Change*, <https://doi.org/10.1111/grow.12669>.
27. Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2022) Do Public Libraries Impact Local Labor Markets? Evidence from Appalachia, *Spatial Economic Analysis*, <https://doi.org/10.1080/17421772.2022.2123552>

26. Josh Matti and Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2022) Consolidated City-County Governments and Economic Stability, *Economics of Governance* <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10101-022-00273-2>
25. Joshua Hall, Donald Lacombe, Amir B. Ferreira Neto, and James Young (2022) Bayesian Estimation of the Hierarchical SLX Model with an Application to Housing Markets, *Journal of Economics and Finance*. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12197-021-09568-2>
24. Amir B. Ferreira Neto and Kayla Whetstone<sup>u</sup> (2022) The Effect of the Raiders' Relocation to Las Vegas on Residential Property Values, *Journal of Housing Research*. <https://doi.org/10.1080/10527001.2021.2021725>
23. Bryan C. McCannon and Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2021) Charitable Giving for Cultural Goods: Asymmetric Gender Responses to Votes on Tax Increases. *Economic Letters*, 204 <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.econlet.2021.109879>
22. Mia Goodnature and Amir. B Ferreira Neto (2021) Same-Sex Unmarried Partners in the Census, *Journal of Regional Analysis & Policy*, 51(1): 43–66
21. Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2021) The Diffusion of Cultural District Laws Across US States, *The Annals of Regional Science*, 67: 189–210 <https://doi.org/10.1007/s00168-020-01045-8>
20. Inácio Araújo, Randall Jackson, Fernando Perobelli, and Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2020) European Union Membership and CO2 Emissions: A Structural Decomposition Analysis, *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics*, 55: 190–203 <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.strueco.2020.06.006>
19. Luiz Carlos Ribeiro, Thiago Rios, Amir B. Ferreira Neto and Fernanda dos Santos\* (2020) Spatial Spillovers of the Cultural Employment Growth in Brazilian Municipalities, *Journal of Cultural Economics*, 44: 605–624 <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10824-020-09378-0>
18. Eduardo Minuci, Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Joshua Hall (2019) A Data Envelopment Analysis of West Virginia School Districts, *Heliyon*, 5 (7) <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.heliyon.2019.e01990>
17. Randall Jackson, Péter Járosi, Amir B. Ferreira Neto and Elham Erfanian (2019) Woody Biomass Processing and Rural Regional Development, *Economics Development Quarterly*, 33(3): 234–247 <https://doi.org/10.1177/0891242419826236>
16. Amir B. Ferreira Neto and Joshua Hall (2019) Economies of Scale and Governance of Library Systems: Evidence from West Virginia at *Economics of Governance*, 20(3): 237–253 <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10101-018-0215-2>
15. Joshua Hall, Josh Matti and Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2019) Rent-Seeking in the Classroom and Textbooks: Where are we after 50 Years?, *Public Choice*, 181(1-2): 71–82 <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11127-018-0563-z>
14. Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Amanda Ross and Adam Nowak (2019) Do tourists tip more than local consumers? Evidence of taxi rides in New York City at *International Regional Science Review*, 42(3-4): 281–306 <https://doi.org/10.1177/0160017618798431>
13. Amir B. Ferreira Neto and Joshua Hall (2018) The Effect of Health Care Entrepreneurship on Local Health: The Case of MedExpress in Appalachia *Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy*, 48(2): 23–31 <https://jrap.scholasticahq.com/article/3774>
12. Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Fernando S. Perobelli, and Alexandre Rabelo (2018) Looking Behind the Scenes: An Assessment of the Interdependence of Brazilian Cultural Industries, *The Review of Regional Studies*, 48(2): 217–243
11. Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2018) Charity and Public Libraries: Does Government Funding Crowd-out Donations? *Journal of Cultural Economics*, 42(4): 525–542 <https://doi.org/10.1007/s10824-018-9318-4>

10. Randall Jackson, Amir B. Ferreira Neto, and Elham Erfanian (2018) Woody Biomass Processing: Potential Economic Impacts on Rural Regions. *Energy Policy*, 115: 66–77 <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.enpol.2018.01.001>
9. Elham Erfanian and Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2017) Scientific Output: Labor or Capital Intensive? An Analysis for Selected Countries. *Scientometrics*, 112(1): 461–482 <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11192-017-2369-z>
8. Eduardo Gonçalves and Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2016) Intersectoral Flows of Technological Knowledge in Emerging Countries: An Input-Output Analysis. *Cepal Review*. 118: 139–155
7. Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Collin Hodges and Hyunwoong Pyun (2016) Voting Dynamics and the Birth of State-owned Casinos in Kansas. *Economics Bulletin*, 36(1): 329–336
6. Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Wilson Corrêa and Fernando Perobelli (2016). Consumo de Energia e Crescimento Econômico: Uma Análise para o Brasil 1970-2009, *Análise Econômica*, 36(65): 181–204 <https://doi.org/10.22456/2176-5456.44622>
5. Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Fernando Perobelli and Suzana Bastos (2014). Comparing Energy Use Structures: An Input-Output Decomposition Analysis of Large Economies, *Energy Economics*, 43: 102–113. [\[Link\]](#)
4. Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2014). Convergência de Renda e Convergência de Consumo de Energia Elétrica: Uma Análise Comparativa, *Revista Brasileira de Estudos Regionais e Urbanos*, 8(2): 123–138.
3. Amir B. Ferreira Neto and Fernando Perobelli (2013). Spatial Analysis of Cultural Activities in the Microregions of Minas Gerais, *Economia*, 14: 139–157 <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.econ.2013.10.001>
2. Eduardo Haddad, Amir B. Ferreira Neto<sup>g</sup>, and Fernando Perobelli (2012). Fragmentação Geopolítica: Uma Análise Estrutural das Propostas de Separatismo no Brasil, *Economia Aplicada*, 16(4): 531–566 <http://dx.doi.org/10.1590/S1413-80502012000400001>
1. Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Ricardo Freguglia and Bernardo Fajardo (2012). Evidências de Diferenciais Salariais para o Setor Cultural e Ocupações Artísticas no Brasil, *Economia Aplicada*, 16(1): 49–76 <http://dx.doi.org/10.1590/S1413-80502012000100003>

### Book Chapters

1. Inácio Araújo, William Bowen, Randall Jackson, Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2020) Proximate Causes of Worldwide Mega-Regional CO2 Emission Changes, 1995—2009, in: Z Chen, WM Bowen and D Whittington (Eds.) *Development Studies in Regional Science: Essays in Honor of Kingsley E. Haynes*

### Other Publications

6. Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2015). Review of Lessons from the Economics of Crime: What Reduces Offending? by Cook, Machin, Marie, & Mastrobuoni (Eds.) *The Review of Regional Studies*, v.45, n.3, pp.285-293.
5. Amir B. Ferreira Neto and Randall Jackson (2015). MATLAB and Python Functions for Weighted Disaggregation, *RRI TechDoc 2015–02*.
4. Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2014). Setting up a SAM in Excel Using VBA, *RRI TechDoc 2014–05*.
3. Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2014). Using a Spreadsheet SAM for GAMS CGE Modeling, *RRI TechDoc 2014–04*.

2. Amir B. Ferreira Neto and Randall Jackson (2014). Social Accounts for CGE in a Multi-Software Environment: Implan, GAMS and Excel, *RRI ResourceDoc 2014-03*.
1. Rodrigo Zeidan, Afonso Cozzi, Solange Leonel and Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2013). Obstáculos à Participação de Pequenas e Médias Empresas no Mercado de Capitais, in: IBGC (Org.) *O Futuro da Governança Corporativa – Desafio e Novas Fronteiras*, pp. 247–262.

#### Under Review

5. Zoey Reed-Spitzer<sup>u</sup>, Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Tom Smythe, Shelton Weeks. *An Examination of of Small Business Resiliency Under Significant Negative Economic Shock*
4. Hernane Pereira, Luiz Ribeiro, Eder Pereira, Roberto Monteiro, and Valter de Senna, Amir B. Ferreira Neto *Assessing production structures in Brazil with time varying graphs*
3. Amir B. Ferreira Neto, John Shannon, and Roxana Ruiz Rodriguez<sup>u</sup> *Determinants of Covid-19 Vaccinations in Florida*
2. Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Jennifer Nowicki<sup>g</sup> and Shishir Shakya, *Do Public Libraries Help Mitigate Crime? Evidence from Kansas City, MO*
1. Brad Humphreys and Amir B. Ferreira Neto, *Localization Economies and Firm Productivity: Evidence from Football Teams in São Paulo, Brazil*

#### Work in Progress

4. Rushaine Goulbourne, Amir B. Ferreira Neto, and Amanda Ross, *Firm Mobility and Hurricanes*
3. Sara Mitchel, Lukas Kuld, and Amir B. Ferreira Neto, *The Economic Geography of American Artists, Postbellum to World War II*
2. Amelia Biehl and Amir B. Ferreira Neto, *The Effects of Dollar General Opening on Next Door Firms*
1. Mia Goodnature, Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Adam Nowak and Patrick Smith, *Identification and Concentration of Same-Sex Households*

#### RERI Reports

Regional Economic Indicator (Monthly): Since 2020.08

Industry Diversification Index Report (Quarterly): Since 2020.Q3

Southwest Florida Almanac (Annually): Since 2020

Southwest Florida Educational and Workforce Outcomes Report (Annually): Since 2020

Our Daily Bread Food Pantry Demand Forecast (Quarterly): Since 2021.Q1

Lee County Business Climate Survey (Quarterly): Since 2020.Q3

Collier County Business Climate Survey (Quarterly): Since 2020.Q3

#### 2023

Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Hurricane Ian Impact on Taxable Sales*, RERI Issue Brief 2023-01.

#### 2022

Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Working from Home in Southwest Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2022-07.

Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Microbusinesses in Southwest Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2022-06.

- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *FGCU Seasonality Index*, RERI Issue Brief 2022-05.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Microbusinesses in Lee County, FL*, RERI Issue Brief 2022-04.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Financial Literacy and Small Business Resilience*, RERI Issue Brief 2022-03.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *New Hire Wage Index*, RERI Issue Brief 2022-02.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Unemployment Levels by Industry*, RERI Issue Brief 2022-01.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J., Judd, A.<sup>u</sup>, and Wood, J.<sup>u</sup> *Florida Gulf Coast University Alumni Survey*.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J., and Judd, A. *Economic Contribution of FGCU*.

## 2021

- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J., Kalich, V., and Manegold J. *Workforce Redeployment Survey*.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Small Businesses in Southwest Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2021-08.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Hurricane Storm Surge Flood Zones in Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2021-07.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. and Rodriguez, R. R.<sup>u</sup> *Determinants of Covid-19 Vaccinations in Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2021-06.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Covid-19 Vaccinations in Southwest Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2021-05.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Covid-19 Impact on Florida Labor Force*, RERI Issue Brief 2021-04.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Disconnected Young Adults*, RERI Issue Brief 2021-03.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Stimulus Payments in Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2021-02.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Taxable Sales in Southwest Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2021-01.

## 2020

- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Covid-19 and Southwest Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2020-01.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Covid-19 and Southwest Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2020-01.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *PPP in Southwest Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2020-02.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Covid-19 Impact on Gross Sales*, RERI Issue Brief 2020-03.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Warn Notices in Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2020-04.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Recessions in Southwest Florida*, RERI Issue Brief 2020-05.
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Shannon, J. *Coronavirus Economic Impact Survey - November Report*
- Ferreira Neto, A.B., Westley, C., Kalich, V., Shannon, J. *Coronavirus Economic Impact Survey - Third Follow-up*
- Westley, C., Kalich, V., Shannon, J., Ferreira Neto, A.B. *Coronavirus Economic Impact Survey - Second Follow-up*
- Westley, C., Kalich, V., Shannon, J., Ferreira Neto, A.B. *Coronavirus Economic Impact Survey - First Follow-up*
- Westley, C., Kalich, V., Shannon, J., Ferreira Neto, A.B., Burke, J. *Coronavirus Economic Impact Survey*

## Mentoring

### Graduate

Ana Carolina de Freitas Tedesco, *Master's Thesis Committee Member*

Jennifer Nowicki, *Independent Study, Letter Writer*. Placement: Penn State, PhD Supply Chain & Information Systems PhD

### Undergraduate RA and Independent Study

Blaise Lee, *Wiser Eagle*, Fall 2022, Spring 2023.

Justin Roth, *Wiser Eagle*, Fall 2021.

Zoey Reed-Spitzer, *Independent Study, Letter Writer*. Placement: University of Arizona, Masters' Agricultural & Resource Econ

Kenneth Jules Jr *Wiser Eagle*, Fall 2020, Spring 2021

### RERI Research Assistants

Sydney Kiick, Lily Hobson, Andrea Santana, Roxana Ruiz Rodriguez (*Letter Writer, Placement: UNC Chapel Hill, School of Law*), Jaime Wood, Alia Judd, Maria Leal Delgado (*Letter Writer, Placement: Rollins College, MBA*), Zoey Reed-Spitzer, Nicholas Irra (*Letter Writer, Placement: Florida International University, Masters' in Finance*)

## Professional Service

### Editorial

2021–Pres Co-Editor, Journal of Regional Analysis & Policy

### Referee

Applied Economics, Cepal Review, Contemporary Economic Policy, Economic Modelling, Economia Aplicada, Economic Systems Research, Economics of Governance, Energy Efficiency, Energy Economics, Energy Strategy Reviews, Environmental Economics and Policy Studies, Estudos Econômicos, Estudios Gerenciales, Games, Huella Económica, Information Economics and Policy, International Journal of Finance and Economics, International Journal of Sports Finance, Journal of Cultural Economics, Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy, Journal of Sports Economics, Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy, Journal of Private Enterprise, Nova Economia, Papers in Regional Science, Revista Análise Econômica, Revista Brasileira de Estudos Regionais e Urbanos, Revista Semestre Economico, Space and Culture, Suma de Negocios, The Independent Review, The Library Quarterly, The Review of Regional Studies

## Presentations

### Invited Research Seminars:

**2021** Universidade Federal do Paraná, Universidade Federal de Sergipe,

**2020** Universidade Federal de Viçosa, Universidade Católica de Brasília, Universidad Icesi

**2019** Florida Gulf Coast University, University of Kentucky, Middle Tennessee State University, University of North Texas

**2018** Texas Tech University (Free Market Institute)

### Conferences:

Academy of Economics and Finance: 2017  
Association for Cultural Economics International Meetings: 2021 (online)  
Association for University Business and Economic Research Conference: 2022  
Brazilian Regional Science Association Meetings: 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011  
Brazilian National Meeting of Economics: 2011, 2012  
North American Regional Science Association Meetings: 2016  
Public Choice Society Meetings: 2016, 2017, 2018  
Southern Economic Association Meetings: 2015, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020 (online)  
Southern Regional Science Association Meetings: 2015, 2019, 2021 (online)

## Community Presentations

### 2023

37. SWFL Equitable Jobs Pipeline, FGCU Supply Chain Forum
36. Collier County Social and Demographic Perspective, Jewish Community Day of Learning
35. A (SWFL) Economic Update, Royal Palm Coast Realtor Association Brokers Summit
34. A (SWFL) Economic Update, Fort Myers Beach Chamber of Commerce

### 2022

33. 2022 Real Estate Symposium, Real Estate Investment Society
32. Royal Palm Coast Realtor Association Economic Update
31. State of the (SWFL) Economy, Ave Maria University
30. Real Estate Roadmap to 2023, Midland Trust Company
29. Economy, Workforce and Entrepreneurship, FGCU Engagement Day
28. Workforce Now: A Regional Economic Overview, FutureMakers Coalition
27. An Update on SWFL Economy, Access Title Agency Brunch and Learn-Update
26. RERI & SWFL Economy, FGCU Leadership Academy
25. State of the (SWFL) Economy, The Arlington Community
24. State of the (SWFL) Economy, Wake Up Naples - Greater Naples Chamber
23. Demographics and Workforce in SWFL, FGCU Strategic Planning
22. Economic Outlook, Naples Pelican Bay Rotary Club
21. Regional Economy Outlook, Cape Coral Construction Industry Association
20. The US and SWFL Economy, Financial Planning Association of Southwest Florida
19. (Non-) Labor Force Participation in Florida, CareerSource Southwest Florida
18. US and Lee County Economy Outlook, City of Cape Coral
17. The (Local) Economy in 4 graphs, New American Business Women's Association

### 2021

16. Southwest Florida's Economy, Institute of Internal Auditors
15. Southwest Florida's Economy Overview, The Chamber of Southwest Florida
14. Southwest Florida's Economy Overview, Real Estate Investment Society
13. Workforce Now: A Regional Economic Overview, FutureMakers Coalition
12. Lee County Executive Business Climate Index & Indicators, The Horizon Council
11. Collier County in Perspective, Collier County Economic Development Update - Greater Naples Chamber
10. SWFL Economic Impact Review, Leadership Lee County / The Chamber of Southwest Florida
9. Lee Executive Business Climate Index & Indicators, The Horizon Council
8. Economic Outlook for SWFL, City of Cape Coral
7. 2021 Economic Outlook for SWFL, Financial Planning Association of Southwest Florida

## 2020

6. Economic Outlook, Our Daily Food Bread Pantry
5. Impact of COVID-19 in Charlotte County, Charlotte County Economic Development Partnership
4. Impact of COVID-19 in Collier County, Collier County Economic Development Update - Greater Naples Chamber
3. Impact of Covid-19 in Southwest Florida, Southwest Florida Regional Planning Council
2. Workforce Now: A Regional Economic Overview, FutureMakers Coalition
1. Covid Economic Impact, SWFL Regional Technology Partnership

## Teaching

### Undergraduate

[Florida Gulf Coast University](#): Principles of Microeconomics, Undergraduate Seminar (Econ Capstone)

[West Virginia University](#): Principles of Macroeconomics, Principles of Microeconomics, Survey of Economics

### Graduate

[West Virginia University](#): Regional Economics (Online Masters Program), Regional Economics (Guest Lecturer: Input-Output)

## Awards and Honors

Excellence Funds Top Tier Award, Lutgert College of Business: 2020, 2021, 2022

Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute For Humane Studies: 2018

Jon Vilasuso Advanced Doctoral Student Award, West Virginia University: 2017

IHS Fellowship, Institute For Humane Studies: 2017

Co-Winner of the Best Graduate Student Paper in Economics at the 54th AEF Conference: 2017

W. Marston and Katharine B. Becker Doctoral Fellowship: 2016

CNPq Fellowship and FAPEMIG Scholarship for Masters studies: 2010–2012

CNPq Fellowship for undergraduate research assistantship: 2009



## Professional Memberships

American Economic Association, Southern Economic Association, Regional Science International Association, North American Regional Science Association, Mid-Continent Regional Science Association, Southern Regional Science Association, Urban Economic Association

## Media Appearance

(Note: non-unique stories count; RERI count starts in August, 2020.)

**2022** Amir Neto - 21; RERI - 82 (up to September)

**2021** Amir Neto - 37; RERI - 58

**2020** Amir Neto - 30; RERI - 27