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## EMPLOYMENT

Florida Gulf Coast University

2020 - **Interim Director**, Regional Economic Research Institute

2019 - **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*

## RESEARCH

### Research Interest

Regional & Urban Economics, Cultural & Creative Economics, and Applied Microeconomics

### Journal Articles

Note: \* denotes student co-author

21. Amir B. Ferreira Neto (forthcoming) The Diffusion of Cultural District Laws Across US States, *The Annals of Regional Science* [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
18. Eduardo Minuci, Amir B. Ferreira Neto, Joshua Hall (2019) A Data Envelopment Analysis of West Virginia School Districts, *Heliyon*, 5 (7) [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)

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 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
11. Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2018) Charity and Public Libraries: Does Government Funding Crowd-out Donations? *Journal of Cultural Economics*, 42(4): 525–542 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)
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. [\[Link\]](#)
3. Amir B. Ferreira Neto and Fernando Perobelli (2013). Spatial Analysis of Cultural Activities in the Microregions of Minas Gerais, *Economia*, 14: 139–157 [\[Link\]](#)
2. Eduardo Haddad, Amir B. Ferreira Neto, and Fernando Perobelli (2012). Fragmentação Geopolítica: Uma Análise Estrutural das Propostas de Separatismo no Brasil, *Economia Aplicada*, 16(4): 531–566 [\[Link\]](#)
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 [\[Link\]](#)

## Under Review

1. Amir B. Ferreira Neto, *Do Public Libraries Impact Local Labor Markets? Evidence from Appalachia* [\[Link\]](#)
2. Jamie Bologna Pavlik and Amir B. Ferreira Neto, *Does Corruption Impact the Informal-Formal Sector Wage Gap? Evidence from Brazil* [\[Link\]](#)
3. Brad Humphreys and Amir B. Ferreira Neto, *Localization Economies and Firm Productivity: Evidence from Football Teams in São Paulo, Brazil* [\[Link\]](#)

## Work in Progress

1. Amelia Biehl and Amir B. Ferreira Neto, *The Effects of Dollar General Opening on Next Door Firms*
2. Mia Goodnature, Amir B. Ferreira Neto, and Adam Nowak, *Identification and Concentration of Same-Sex Households*

## Other Selected Publications

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*
2. 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.
3. 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*.
5. Amir B. Ferreira Neto (2014). Using a Spreadsheet SAM for GAMS CGE Modeling, *RRI TechDoc 2014-04*.
6. 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*.
7. 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.

## TEACHING

### Florida Gulf Coast University

Principles of Microeconomics  
Undergraduate Seminar (Econ Capstone)

### West Virginia University

Principles of Macroeconomics  
Principles of Microeconomics  
Survey of Economics

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

### Referee

Cepal Review, Contemporary Economic Policy, Economic Modelling, Economic Systems Research, Energy Efficiency, Energy Economics, Energy Strategy Reviews, Environmental Economics and Policy Studies, Estudos Econômicos, Estudios Gerenciales, Huella Económica, Information Economics and Policy, International Journal of Finance and Economics, Journal of Cultural Economics, Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy, Nova Economia, Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy, Papers in Regional Science, Revista Brasileira de Estudos Regionais e Urbanos, Revista Semestre Economico, Space and Culture, The Review of Regional Studies

## PRESENTATIONS

### Conferences:

Academy of Economics and Finance: 2017  
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 (*scheduled*)  
Southern Regional Science Association Meetings: 2015, 2019

### Invited talks:

**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)

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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

## AFFILIATIONS

American Economic Association, Southern Economic Association, Regional Science International Association, North American Regional Science Association, Southern Regional Science Association, Urban Economic Association