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## Employment

From 2019 **Assistant Professor**, *Florida Gulf Coast University*.

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## Education

- 2019 **Ph.D.**, *Economic*, 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.

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## Research

### Research Interest

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

### Journal Articles

- 2020 **Spatial Spillovers of the Cultural Employment Growth in Brazilian Municipalities**, *Journal of Cultural Economics*, *forthcoming*, with Luiz Carlos Ribeiro, Thiago Rios, and Fernanda Rodrigues dos Santos, [\[link\]](#).
- 2019 **A Data Envelopment Analysis of West Virginia School Districts**, *Heliyon*, 5(7), Eduardo Minuci and Joshua Hall [\[link\]](#).
- Woody Biomass Processing and Rural Regional Development**, *Economics Development Quarterly*, 33(3):234–247, with Randall Jackson, Péter Járosi, and Elham Erfanian [\[link\]](#).
- Economies of Scale and Governance of Library Systems: Evidence from West Virginia**, *Economics of Governance*, 20(3):237–253, with Joshua Hall [\[link\]](#).
- Do Tourists Tip More than Local Consumers? Evidence of Taxi Rides in New York City**, *International Regional Science Review*, 42(3–4):281–306, with Amanda Ross and Adam Nowak [\[link\]](#).
- 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, with Joshua Hall [\[link\]](#).
- Looking Behind the Scenes: An Assessment of the Interdependence of Brazilian Cultural Industries**, *The Review of Regional Studies*, 48(2):217–243, with Fernando S. Perobelli and Alexandre Rabelo [\[link\]](#).
- Rent-Seeking in the Classroom and Textbooks: Where are we after 50 Years?**, *Public Choice*, 181(1–2):71–82, with Joshua Hall and Josh Matti [\[link\]](#).
- Charity and Public Libraries: Does Government Funding Crowd out Donations?**, *Journal of Cultural Economics*, 42(4):525–542, [\[link\]](#).

- Woody Biomass Processing: Potential Economic Impacts on Rural Regions**, *Energy Policy*, 115:66-77, with Randall Jackson and Elham Erfanian [[link](#)].
- 2017 **Scientific Output: Labor or Capital Intensive? An analysis for selected countries**, *Scientometrics*, 112(1):461-482, with Elham Erfanian [[link](#)].
- 2016 **Voting Dynamics and the Birth of State-owned Casinos in Kansas**, *Economics Bulletin*, 36(1):329-336, with Collin Hodges and Hyunwoong Pyun [[link](#)].
- Intersectoral Flows of Technological Knowledge in Emerging Countries: An Input-Output Analysis**, *Cepal Review*, 118:139-155, with Eduardo Gonçalves [[link](#)].
- Consumo de Energia e Crescimento Econômico: Uma Análise para o Brasil 1970-2009**, *Análise Econômica*, 34:181-204, with Wilson Corrêa and Fernando Perobelli [[link](#)].
- 2014 **Comparing Energy Use Structures: An Input-Output Decomposition Analysis of Large Economies**, *Energy Economics*, 43:102-113, with Fernando Perobelli and Suzana Bastos [[link](#)].
- 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](#)].
- 2013 **Spatial Analysis of Cultural Activities in the Microregions of Minas Gerais**, *EconomiA*, 14:139-157, with Fernando Perobelli [[link](#)].
- 2012 **Fragmentação Geopolítica: Uma Análise Estrutural das Propostas de Separatismo no Brasil**, *conomia Aplicada*, 16(4):531-566, with Eduardo Haddad and Fernando Perobelli [[link](#)].
- Evidências de Diferenciais Salariais para o Setor Cultural e Ocupações Artísticas no Brasil**, *Economia Aplicada*, 16(1):49-76, with Ricardo Freguglia and Bernardo Fajardo [[link](#)].

#### Under Review

**Do Public Libraries Impact Local Labor Markets? Evidence from Appalachia**, [[link](#)].

**The Diffusion of Cultural District Laws Across U.S. States.**

**Does Corruption Impact the Informal-Formal Sector Wage Gap? Evidence from Brazil**, with Jamie Bologna Pavlik, [[link](#)].

**Environmental Costs of European Union Membership: A Structural Decomposition Analysis**, with Inácio Araújo, Randall Jackson, and Fernando S. Perobelli, [[link](#)].

#### Working in Progress

**The Effects of Dollar General Opening on Next Door Firms**, with Amelia Biehl.

**Localization Economies and Firm Productivity: Evidence from Football Teams in São Paulo, Brazil**, with Brad Humphreys.

**Identification and Concentration of Same-Sex Households**, with Mia Goodnature and Adam Nowak.

## Other Selected Publications

- 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*, with Inácio Araújo, William Bowen, Randall Jackson.
- 2015 **Review of Lessons from the Economics of Crime: What Reduces Offending?** by Cook, Machin, Marie, & Mastrobuoni (Eds.), *The Review of Regional Studies*, 45(3):285–293.
- MATLAB and Python Functions for Weighted Disaggregation**, *RRI TechDoc 2015–02*, with Randall Jackson.
- 2014 **Setting up a SAM in Excel Using VBA**, *RRI TechDoc 2014–05*.
- Using a Spreadsheet SAM for GAMS CGE Modeling**, *RRI TechDoc 2014–04*.
- Social Accounts for CGE in a Multi-Software Environment: Implan, GAMS and Excel**, *RRI ResourceDoc 2014–03*, with Randall Jackson.
- 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*, with Rodrigo Zeidan, Afonso Cozzi, and Solange Leonel.

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## Teaching

### Florida Gulf Coast University

- 2019 – **Principles of Microeconomics**.
- 2019 – **Undergraduate Seminar**, (capstone).

### West Virginia University

- 2019 **Principles of Macroeconomics**.
- 2017 – 2018 **Principles of Microeconomics**.
- 2019 **Survey of Economics**.

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## Professional Service

**Referee**, *Cepal Review*, *Contemporary Economic Policy*, *Economic Systems Research*, *Energy Efficiency*, *Energy Economics*, *Energy Strategy Reviews*, *Environmental Economics and Policy Studies*, *Estudios Gerenciales*, *Huella Económica*, *Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy*, *Nova Economia*, *Papers in Regional Science*, *Pesquisa e Planejamento Econômico*, *Revista Brasileira de Estudos Regionais e Urbanos*, *Revista Semestre Econômico*, *Space and Culture*, *The Review of Regional Studies*.

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## 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.

**Southern Regional Science Association Meetings, 2015,2019,2020 (scheduled).**

### Invited Talks

- 2019 Florida Gulf Coast University, University of Kentucky, Middle Tennessee State University, University of North Texas
- 2018 Texas Tech University (Free Market Institute)

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### Awards and Honors

- 2018 Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute For Humane Studies
- 2017 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
- 2016 W. Marston and Katharine B. Becker Doctoral Fellowship
- 2010–2012 CNPq Fellowship and FAPEMIG Scholarship for Masters studies
- 2009 CNPq Fellowship for undergraduate research assistantship

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### Affiliations

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