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EMPLOYMENT

Howard University

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

2021 - Current

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

J-PAL, Invited Researcher for the Latin American and the Caribbean office/JOI	2021-present
Graduate Research Fellow, Institute for Research on Poverty	2019 - 2021
Visiting Researcher, Center for the Economics of Human Development, University of Chicago	2014 - 2015

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin-Madison	2021
PhD in Agricultural & Applied Economics	
University of Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil	2016
M.Sc. in Economics	
University of Espirito Santo, Vitoria, Brazil	2011
B.A in Economics	

Peer-reviewed publications

The enduring pursuit of public science at US land grant universities (2021) with Bradford L. Barham and Jeremy Foltz. PLoS ONE. 16(11).

Earnings, Wages, and Poverty Outcomes of US Farm and Low-Skill Workers (2020) with Bradford L. Barham and Thomas Hertz. Applied Economic Perspectives & Policy. 42: 307-334.

BOOK CHAPTERS

Academic engagement, commercialization, and scholarship: empirical evidence from agricultural and life scientists at US land grant universities (2021)

with Bradford L. Barham and Jeremy Foltz, in Economics of Research and Innovation in Agriculture.

Working Papers

Temperature, effort, and achievement (with Mizuhiro Suzuki)

Affirmative action, college access and major choice: redistribution and opportunity for social mobility Temperature and bureaucracy: empirical analysis on auditing reports in Brazil (with Mizuhiro Suzuki) Affirmative action and demand for schooling: evidence from a nation-wide policies (with Ursula Mello)

* Planned + Invited

NBER SI Development Economics*, EESP-FGV*+, Urban Institute*+, Universidade Católica de Brasília*+, Insper+, Association for Education Finance and Policy (AEFP), CSWEP CeMENT Workshop

2021

North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), Seminários SBE de Economia Aplicada⁺, PUC-Rio⁺ (guest lecturer), Midwest International Economic Development Conference, Howard University⁺, AEA/ASSA Conference (Poster)

2020

Southern Economics Association (SEA) Annual Meeting (Nov.), Grupo de Estudos em Políticas Públicas⁺ (GEPP, Brazil), APPAM Virtual Fall Research Conference, Summer Undergraduate Research Group in Economics⁺ (SURGE), Development Economics Workshop - UW-Madison, The Sadie Collective Conference (Poster)

2019

NBER Conference - Economics of Research and Innovation in Agriculture, H2D2 Research Day - University of Michigan (Poster)

Fellowships, Honors and Awards

Outstanding Undergraduate Teaching Award (Honorable Mention), AAE Dept., UW-Madison	2020
Research Scholar, The Sadie Collective	2020
Student Research Grant Competition Award, UW-Madison	2020
Scott Kloeck-Jenson International Pre-Dissertation Travel Grant	2019
Department Research Grant, AAE, UW-Madison	2019
Department Travel Grant, AAE, UW-Madison	2019
Barbara Forrest Research Paper Prize (Honorable Mention)	2018
São Paulo Research Foundation (FAPESP) Thesis Fellowship	2013 - 2015
FAPESP/BEPE Research Internship Abroad Fellowship	2014-2015
Coordination for the Improvement of Higher Education Personnel (CAPES), M.Sc. Fellowship	2013

SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIP

Referee for: Journal of Human Capital, Economics of Education Review, Brazilian Econometric Society Conference (scientific committee)

Association for Mentoring and Inclusion in Economics (AMIE)	since 2022
Mentoring program (REPP) - coordinator	since 2021
Member of The Brazilian Black Economists Network (PT: REPP)	since 2020
Equity in Hiring Review Committee, AAE UW-Madison	2020-2021
Vice-president Taylor-Hibbard Club, AAE graduate student group	2019-2020
AAE Graduate Committee Student Representative	2018-2019
President Taylor-Hibbard Club, AAE graduate student group	2017-2018

Podcasts and Press

InequaliTalks (host: Clémentine Van Effenterre); Folha de São Paulo (Opinion, with Michael França); Folha de São Paulo (interview)

Teaching

Howard University

Undergraduate - ECON-002: Principles of Economics II	Spring 2022
Undergraduate - ECON-180: Elementary Statistics for Business and Economics	Spring 2022
Undergraduate/Graduate - ECON-175/ECOG-204: History of Economic Thought	Fall 2021

University of Wisconsin-Madison (Teaching Assistant)

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Graduate - PA 880 - Microeconomic Policy Analysis	Fall 2020
Undergraduate - AAE 374 - The Growth and Dev. of Nations in the Global Econ	Spring 2020

WORK EXPERIENCE

The World Bank, Poverty & Equity Global Practice

Consultant (Short-Term Consultant)	May - August 2017
Consultant (Short-Term Consultant)	July 2016

Ayrton Senna Institute & Insper, Sao Paulo, Brazil

Research Professional at eduLab21 July 2015 - June 2016

LANGUAGES AND COMPUTER SKILLS

SPEAKS: Portuguese (Native), English (Fluent), French (Intermediate), Spanish (Intermediate)

Programming: Stata, R, Latex