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EMPLOYMENT

Howard University

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

Fall 2021 - Current

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

Northwestern University, Visiting Scholar, E4, School of Educ. and Social Policy 2023 - present

J-PAL, Invited Researcher for the Latin American and the Caribbean office/JOI 2021 - present

Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP), Graduate Research Fellow 2019 - 2021

University of Chicago, Visiting Researcher, Center for the Econ. of Human Development 2014 - 2015

EDUCATION

University of Wisconsin-Madison 2016 - 2021

PhD in Agricultural & Applied Economics

University of Sao Paulo, Sao Paulo, Brazil 2013 - 2016

M.Sc. in Economics

University of Espirito Santo, Vitoria, Brazil 2008 - 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, NBER Chapters, in: *Economics of Research and Innovation in Agriculture*, National Bureau of Economic Research, Inc.

WORK IN PROGRESS

Working papers:

“Affirmative action, college access and major choice: redistribution and opportunity for social mobility”

“Temperature, effort, and achievement”

with Mizuhiro Suzuki

“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

Registered RCT trials:

AEARCTR-0012396: “Mentorship networks and the early career outcomes of college-educated women,”

with Ursula Mello and Maria Oaquim

WORKSHOPS, CONFERENCES AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

2023

* Planned + Invited

University of Illinois-Chicago^{*,+}, SBE^{*,+}, LACEA^{*,+}, SESP-NU^{*,+}, UFPB^{*,+}

2022

PUC-Rio⁺ (guest lecturer), APPAM Fall Research Conference, North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), EESP-FGV⁺, NBER SI Development Economics, Universidade Católica de Brasília⁺, Urban Institute⁺, 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, 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)

GRANTS, HONORS & FELLOWSHIPS

J-PAL, Jobs and Opportunity Initiative Brazil (2024): “Mentorship networks and the early career outcomes of college-educated women”, with Ursula Mello and Maria Oaquim [BRL 199,187.00, \approx USD 41,000]

Northwestern University (2023): Visiting scholar fellowship, E4, SESP, Northwestern University

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)

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIP

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

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

MEDIA

[EconomistAs](#) (host: Paula Pereda and Laura Karpuska), [InequaliTalks](#) (host: Clémentine Van Effenterre); Folha de São Paulo ([Opinion](#), with Michael França); Folha de São Paulo ([interview](#))

TEACHING

Howard University

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

University of Wisconsin-Madison (Teaching Assistant)

<i>Graduate</i> - PA 880 - Microeconomic Policy Analysis	Fall 2020
<i>Undergraduate</i> - 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 <i>eduLab21</i>	July 2015 - June 2016
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LANGUAGES AND COMPUTER SKILLS

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

PROGRAMMING: Stata, R, Latex