

# Andrew J. Van Leuven

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EDUCATION	Ph.D., Public Policy & Management Ohio State University, Columbus, OH Graduate Minor: City & Regional Planning	2021
	M.A., Geography & Urban Studies Temple University, Philadelphia, PA	2016
	B.S., Geography (emphasis in Urban & Regional Planning) Brigham Young University, Provo, UT	2014
ACADEMIC & PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	Assistant Professor of Community and Rural Development Department of Agricultural Economics Oklahoma State University, Stillwater, OK Appointment: Research 25%, Extension 75%	2022–
	Director, Center for Oklahoma Small Business Research & Analysis Oklahoma Small Business Development Center	2023–
	Postdoctoral Fellow, Division of Applied Social Sciences & MU Extension College of Agriculture, Food and Natural Resources University of Missouri, Columbia, MO	2021
	Graduate Instructor & Teaching Assistant	2019–21
	Graduate Research Associate John Glenn College of Public Affairs Ohio State University, Columbus, OH	2016–20
	Transportation & Walkability Intern Montgomery County Planning Commission, Norristown, PA	2015

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## Publications and Research

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PEER- REVIEWED	<b>A. Van Leuven</b> , S. Low, and E. Hill, (2022). What Side of Town? How Proximity to Critical Survival Factors Affects Rural Business Longevity. <i>Growth and Change</i> . doi:10.1111/grow.12652
	S. Low, M. Rahe, and <b>A. Van Leuven</b> , (2022). Has COVID-19 Made Rural Areas More Attractive Places to Live? Survey Evidence From Northwest Missouri. <i>Regional Science Policy and Practice</i> . doi:10.1111/rsp3.12543
	<b>A. Van Leuven</b> , (2022). Leveraging Main Street as a Real Estate Amenity: Downtown Revitalization and Residential Property Values. <i>Journal of Planning Education &amp; Research</i> . doi:10.1177/0739456X221082500
	<b>A. Van Leuven</b> , (2022). A Method for Defining Downtown Business District Boundaries in Pre-Automobile Towns and Cities. <i>Cityscape</i> . Vol. 25, No. 1. <a href="https://www.jstor.org/stable/48657957">https://www.jstor.org/stable/48657957</a>
	<b>A. Van Leuven</b> and E. Hill, (2021). Legacy Regions, Not Legacy Cities: Growth and Decline in City-Centered Regional Economies. <i>Journal of Urban Affairs</i> . doi:10.1080/07352166.2021.1990775

	<b>A. Van Leuven</b> , (2021). The Impact of Main Street Revitalization on the Economic Vitality of Small-Town Business Districts. <i>Economic Development Quarterly</i> . <a href="https://doi.org/10.1177/08912424211038060">doi:10.1177/08912424211038060</a>
	Y. Chun, S. Pierce, and <b>A. Van Leuven</b> , (2021). Are Foreclosure Spillover Effects Universal? Variation Over Space and Time. <i>Housing Policy Debate</i> . <a href="https://doi.org/10.1080/10511482.2021.1882533">doi:10.1080/10511482.2021.1882533</a>
UNDER REVIEW	R. Taylor, <b>A. Van Leuven</b> , and S. Robinson. <i>The Role of Community Capital in Rural Renewal</i>
WORKING PAPERS & IN PROGRESS	<b>A. Van Leuven</b> , C. Bir, and R. Biggs. <i>Community Determinants of Rural Veterinarian Longevity</i>
	<b>A. Van Leuven</b> and T. Conroy. <i>Dynamics, Determinants, and Data Sources: A Spatial Examination of the Childcare Shortage</i>
	C. Biedny, B. Whitacre, and <b>A. Van Leuven</b> . <i>Does Faster Broadband Mean Faster Growth for Rural Businesses?</i>
	S. Low, <b>A. Van Leuven</b> , M.C. White and R. Russell. <i>Labor Market Consequences of Increases in Rural Prime Age Mortality</i>

### Cooperative Extension & Outreach

CONFERENCES, TRAINING, & WORKSHOPS	<b>Workshop: Community Development Data Literacy</b>	DEC. 2022
	Training on data basics: how to find and use secondary data, cautions and pitfalls, using data for decision-making. Ada, OK.	
	<b>Workshop: Entrepreneurship and Rural Economies</b>	APR. 2022
	Presented to with Associated Electric Cooperative Inc., with Mallory Rahe and Steven Mukembo (U of Missouri Extension). Virtual.	
	<b>In-Service Training: Data Literacy for Rural Economies</b>	APR. 2022
	Webinar to help Extension educators become familiar with sources and applications for using economic data in rural Oklahoma counties. Virtual.	
	<b>Conference: Creating Entrepreneurial Communities</b>	SEP. 2021
	Facilitator/Presenter for session, <i>Main Street and Downtown Revitalization: What Works and What to Avoid</i> . Location: Hannibal, MO.	
FACT SHEETS & REPORTS	R. Zimmer, S. Hilburn, <b>A. Van Leuven</b> , and B. Whitacre, (Mar. 2023), <i>Medical Marijuana Dispensaries in Oklahoma</i> , OSU AGECE Current Report ( <a href="#">22009</a> ).	
	<b>A. Van Leuven</b> , (Jan. 2023), <i>Participants in Community and Economic Development</i> , OSU Extension Fact Sheet ( <a href="#">AGECE-950</a> ).	
	N. Dethloff, <b>A. Van Leuven</b> , and C. Bir, (Oct. 2022), <i>Customer Service Basics for Agricultural Entrepreneurs</i> , OSU Extension Fact Sheet ( <a href="#">AGECE-920</a> ).	
	M. White and <b>A. Van Leuven</b> , (Oct. 2021), <i>Population Change, 2010 to 2020</i> , MU Exceed Missouri Economy Indicators Series, <a href="#">2(16)</a> .	
	<b>A. Van Leuven</b> , (Sep. 2021), <i>Transportation and Logistics Infrastructure</i> , MU Exceed Missouri Economy Indicators Series, <a href="#">2(15)</a> .	
	H. McClure, <b>A. Van Leuven</b> , and S. Low, (Aug. 2021), <i>Transfer Payments to Individuals</i> , MU Exceed Missouri Economy Indicators Series, <a href="#">2(12)</a> .	

INVITED	Langston, OK Community Forum	FEB. 2023
PRESENTATIONS	Small Business Development 4-County Consortium (Wilburton, OK)	FEB. 2023
	Langston, OK Economic Development & Planning Committee	DEC. 2022
	Red River Leadership Institute (Broken Bow, OK)	NOV. 2022
	The Oklahoma Academy Town Hall (Durant, OK)	OCT. 2022
	Okemah Chamber of Commerce (Okemah, OK)	OCT. 2022
	AARP Livable Communities Housing Workshop (Virtual)	SEP. 2022
	Southern Workforce Board (Atoka, OK)	AUG. 2022
	Johnston County Industrial Authority (Tishomingo, OK)	JUL. 2022
	Buffalo, OK Economic Development and Revitalization Committee	MAY 2022
	Marshall County Economic Development Authority (Madill, OK)	MAY 2022
	Shattuck, OK Economic Development Committee	APR. 2022

### Grants and Awards

RESEARCH & ADVISING	<b>Ferguson College of Agriculture Undergraduate Research Scholars</b>	2022
	\$2,000 grant for project <i>Factors Affecting Extreme Weather Event Recovery and Resilience Among Rural Communities and Agricultural Producers in Oklahoma</i> , advising student Tess Haddock with Co-PI Amy Hagerman	
	<b>Ohio State University Graduate School</b>	2019
	\$3,000 grant from OSU Alumni Grants for Graduate Research and Scholarship (AGGRS) to work on dissertation research	
	<b>OSU Center for Real Estate</b>	2019
	\$3,500 grant stipend for project <i>Leveraging Main Street as a Rural Real Estate Amenity</i>	
	<b>BYU Office of Research and Creative Activities</b>	2013
	\$1,500 grant for project “ <i>Missing Teeth: The Economic Impact of Holes in the Urban Fabric</i> ”	
BUSINESS & INDUSTRY	<b>Center for Oklahoma Small Business Research and Analysis</b>	2023
	\$34,787 grant to operate a research center providing market research and financial data to small business development advisors.	
	<b>OSU Extension Undergraduate Extension Scholars</b>	2023
	\$2,000 grant for project <i>Strategic Planning for Rural Transit in Northern Oklahoma</i> with Cherokee Strip Transit, advising student Pat Kane	
	<b>Cotton, Inc. Research and Promotion Program</b>	2022
	\$22,500 grant for project <i>The Economic Impact of the Cotton Industry in Oklahoma</i> , with Co-PIs P. Kenkel, D. Lambert, H. Shear, and J. Vitale	
	<b>Oklahoma Small Business Development Center</b>	2022
	\$59,358 grant to operate a research center providing market research and financial data to small business development advisors, with Co-PI Rodney Holcomb	

## Conference, Seminar, & Workshop Presentations

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- 2023
- A. Van Leuven**, K. Conley, T. Conroy, and D. Lambert, “*Locational Determinants of Lending Deserts in the Rural United States*” Accepted paper at Southern Regional Science Association Annual Meeting, Savannah, GA, Apr. 2023.
- A. Van Leuven**, “*Measuring the Economics of Downtown Revitalization: Putting Some ‘Oomph’ Behind the Numbers*” Invited workshop at Main Street Now Annual Conference, Boston, Mar. 2023.
- A. Hagerman, A. Schaefer, **A. Van Leuven**, Y. Zereyesus, F. Tsiboe, A. Young, “*Factors Affecting Crop Insurance Use Among Underserved Farmers*” Selected paper at Southern Agricultural Economics Association Annual Meeting, OKC, Feb. 2023.
- C. Bir and **A. Van Leuven**, “*Community Determinants of Rural Veterinarian Longevity*” Selected paper at Southern Agricultural Economics Association (SAEA) Annual Meeting, Oklahoma City, Feb. 2023.
- 2022
- B. Whitacre and **A. Van Leuven**, “*A ‘Significant Crisis and Financial Windfall’: The Proliferation of Medical Marijuana in Rural Oklahoma*” Selected paper at North American Regional Science Council Annual Conference, Montreal, QC, Nov. 2022.
- A. Van Leuven** and T. Conroy, “*The Economic Dynamism of Child Care Establishments in the United States.*” Selected paper at North American Regional Science Council Annual Conference, Montreal, QC, Nov. 2022.
- A. Van Leuven**, “*The Economic Value of Placemaking in Rural Oklahoma.*” Invited talk at the Rural Renewal Symposium, Stillwater, OK, Oct. 2022.
- A. Van Leuven**, “*Using the Grammar of Graphics in Applied Economic Research.*” Invited workshop at University of Illinois Department of Agricultural & Consumer Economics, Urbana, IL, Oct. 2022.
- A. Van Leuven**, “*Quantifying the Impact of Main Street Revitalization.*” Invited talk at Chicago Federal Reserve Bank & Upjohn Institute Conference on Rural Economic Development, Grand Rapids, MI, Oct. 2022.
- S. Low, M.C. White, **A. Van Leuven**, and R. Russell, “*Labor Market Impacts of Increasing Worker-age Mortality: a Mixed Methods Analysis.*” Selected paper at Agricultural & Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting, Anaheim, CA. Aug. 2022.
- B. Whitacre, C. Biedny, and **A. Van Leuven**, “*Rural Gigabits and Business Births*” Selected paper at Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting, Anaheim, CA. Aug. 2022.
- 2021
- M. Rahe, S. Low, and **A. Van Leuven**, “*Living and Working in Rural Regions: Survey Perceptions During the COVID Pandemic.*” Selected paper at North American Regional Science Council Annual Conference, Denver, CO, Nov. 2021.
- S. Low, **A. Van Leuven**, M.C. White and R. Russell, “*Labor Market Consequences of Increases in Rural Prime Age Mortality.*” Selected paper at North American Regional Science Council (NARSC) Annual Conference, Denver, CO, Nov. 2021.
- A. Van Leuven**, “*Spatially-Fixed Critical Location Factors as Determinants of Business Establishment Survival.*” Selected paper at Mid-Continent Regional Science Association (MCRSA) Annual Conference, Virtual, Jun. 2021.
- A. Van Leuven**, “*The Impact of Main Street Revitalization on the Economic Vitality of Small-Town Business Districts.*” Selected paper at Southern Regional Science Association Conference, Virtual, Apr. 2021.

- A. Van Leuven**, “*Leveraging Main Street as a Real Estate Amenity: Retail Corridor Revitalization and Residential Property Values.*” Selected poster at American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association (AREUEA) Annual Meeting, Virtual, Jan. 2021
- 2020 E. Hill and **A. Van Leuven**, “*Are They Better Off? Municipal Annexation and the Socioeconomic Well-Being of a City’s Lowest-Income Residents.*” Selected paper at Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference, Virtual, Nov. 2020.
- 2019 **A. Van Leuven**, “*The Impact of Main Street Revitalization on Small-Town Business Districts.*” Invited paper at Upjohn Institute & Chicago Federal Reserve Bank Research Workshop on Rural Economic Development, Kalamazoo, MI, Oct. 2019.
- A. Van Leuven**, “*Renovating Small-Town Central Business Districts: The Impact of Main Street Revitalization on Local Job Growth.*” Selected paper at Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference, Greenville, SC, Oct. 2019.
- 2018 **A. Van Leuven**, “*The Post-Recession Resilience of Legacy Regions.*” Selected paper at Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning Annual Conference, Buffalo, NY, Oct. 2018.
- A. Van Leuven** and E. Hill, “*Resilience in the Face of Chronic Distress: U.S. Metropolitan Areas After the Great Recession.*” Invited Paper at Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta & Upjohn Institute Research Workshop, Atlanta, GA, May 2018.
- A. Van Leuven** and E. Hill, “*Rethinking the Legacy City: Regional Evidence Matters.*” Selected paper at Urban Affairs Association (UAA) Conference (Toronto, Apr. 2018) and the Southern Regional Science Association (SRSA) Conference (Philadelphia, Mar. 2018).
- 2017 **A. Van Leuven** and E. Hill, “*Regional Economic Resilience After the Great Recession: The Economic Performance of U.S. Metropolitan Statistical Areas.*” Selected paper at Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP) Annual Conference, Denver, CO, Oct. 2017.
- 2015 **A. Van Leuven**, “*Making a Case for Walkability: Separating the Factors that Affect Home Values in Commuter Rail Suburbs.*” Paper presented at Middle States AAG Biennial Meeting, Binghamton, NY, Oct. 2015.
- A. Van Leuven**, “*Making a Case for Walkability: Separating the Factors that Affect Home Values in Commuter Rail Suburbs.*” Poster presented at Association of American Geographers (AAG) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, Apr. 2015.

## Media Appearances and Press

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- 2022 ***Southern Ag Today***  
Short article summarizing and linking to my work on downtown revitalization: “*In Historic Town Centers Beauty is More than Skin Deep.*” ([LINK](#))
- 2021 ***The Journalist’s Resource at Harvard Kennedy School***  
Interviewed for article about my research: “*New research explores how Main Street revitalization programs affect job and business growth in rural communities.*” ([LINK](#))

## Teaching, Service, and Professional Affiliations

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<b>Invited Guest Lectures</b>	
	RCPL 5723: Community Development & Revitalization <i>University of Oklahoma Regional &amp; City Planning</i>	<i>Spring 2023</i>
	AECL 5003: Developing Rural Scholars for Community Engagement <i>OSU Agricultural Education, Communications and Leadership</i>	<i>Spring 2022</i>
	<b>PUBAFRS 2110: Introduction to Public Affairs</b>	
	<i>Instructor of Record</i>	<i>Spring 2021</i>
	<i>Teaching Assistant</i>	<i>Fall 2020</i>
ADVISING & MENTORSHIP	<b>PUBAFRS/CRPLAN 7531: Economic Development Policy</b>	
	<i>Co-Instructor &amp; Teaching Assistant</i>	<i>Spring 2019, 2020</i>
	<b>Graduate Student Advising (*indicates thesis/dissertation chair)</b>	
	Bosede Ogunbamise (M.S.)*	<i>Expected 2024</i>
	Emily Norris (M.Ag.)	<i>Expected 2024</i>
	Katie Welch (Ph.D.)	<i>Expected 2024</i>
SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES	Alicia Young (M.S.)	<i>Expected 2023</i>
	<b>Undergraduate Student Mentorship</b>	
	<i>Tess Haddock</i> – Collaboration on research poster presentation and fact sheet (2022–23)	
	<i>Pat Kane</i> – Collaboration on Extension project and fact sheet (2023)	
	<b>Southern Region Program Leadership Network</b>	<i>2022–</i>
	<i>Community Resource Development (CRD) Committee Representative</i>	
REFeree SERVICE	<b>Hatch Multistate Research Project Member</b>	<i>2022–</i>
	Project NE2249: <i>Sustainable and Inclusive Rural Economic Development to Enhance Housing, Health, Entrepreneurship, and Equity</i>	
	<b>Federal Grant Peer Review Panelist</b>	<i>2021, 2022</i>
	<i>USDA AFRI Rural and Economic Development Grant Program</i>	
	<b>Glenn College Doctoral Student Organization</b>	<i>2016–21</i>
	<i>President (2018–19; Treasurer (2017–18)</i>	
PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS	<b>Glenn College Research Colloquium Series Coordinator</b>	<i>2019–20</i>
	<i>Economic Development Quarterly</i>	
	<i>Growth and Change</i>	
	<i>Journal of Rural &amp; Community Development</i>	
	<i>Journal of Urban Affairs</i>	
	<i>Letters in Spatial and Resource Sciences</i>	
	<i>Review of Regional Studies</i>	
	<i>Urban Affairs Review</i>	
	<i>Academy of Management Annual Meeting</i>	
	<i>OSU Real Estate &amp; Housing Conference</i>	
	Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA)	
	Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP)	
	Community and Regional Economics Network (CRENET) of AAEA	

Mid-Continent Regional Science Association (MCRSA)  
North American Regional Science Council (NARSC)  
Southern Region Extension Program Leadership Network (SR-PLN)  
Southern Regional Science Association (SRSA)

TECHNICAL  
SKILLS &  
LANGUAGES

*Basic Knowledge:* Python, Stata, Tableau, Adobe Creative Suite, IMPLAN  
*Intermediate/Advanced Knowledge:* R, ArcGIS, Excel, LaTeX, Data Visualization  
*Languages:* English (Native), Spanish (Fluent)

ADDITIONAL  
TRAINING

**Inter-University Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR)**  
*Summer Program in Quantitative Methods of Social Research – Ann Arbor, MI (2019)*  
COURSES: Multilevel Models I; Introduction to Python for Data Science