

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 |

Publications and Research

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| PEER- REVIEWED | A. Van Leuven , 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 A. Van Leuven , (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 |
| | A. Van Leuven , (2022). Leveraging Main Street as a Real Estate Amenity: Downtown Revitalization and Residential Property Values. <i>Journal of Planning Education & Research</i> . doi:10.1177/0739456X221082500 |
| | A. Van Leuven , (2022). A Method for Defining Downtown Business District Boundaries in Pre-Automobile Towns and Cities. <i>Cityscape</i> . Vol. 25, No. 1. https://www.jstor.org/stable/48657957 |
| | A. Van Leuven 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 |

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| | A. Van Leuven , (2021). The Impact of Main Street Revitalization on the Economic Vitality of Small-Town Business Districts. <i>Economic Development Quarterly</i> . doi:10.1177/08912424211038060 |
| | Y. Chun, S. Pierce, and A. Van Leuven , (2021). Are Foreclosure Spillover Effects Universal? Variation Over Space and Time. <i>Housing Policy Debate</i> . doi:10.1080/10511482.2021.1882533 |
| REVISE AND RESUBMIT | R. Taylor, A. Van Leuven, and S. Robinson . The Role of Community Capital in Rural Renewal. (REVISE & RESUBMIT at <i>Local Development & Society</i>) |
| UNDER REVIEW | A. Van Leuven and T. Conroy. <i>Dynamics, Determinants, and Data Sources: A Spatial Examination of the Childcare Shortage</i> |
| WORKING PAPERS & IN PROGRESS | A. Schaefer and A. Van Leuven . <i>Quantifying the Rural Legal Desert Problem: Assessing Access to Justice and Legal Services in Marginalized Communities</i> |
| | A. Hagerman, A. Schaefer, A. Van Leuven , Y. Zereyesus, and F. Tsiboe. <i>Mitigating Structural Inequities in U.S. Agricultural Risk Management</i> |
| | A. Van Leuven , K. Conley, T. Conroy, and D. Lambert. <i>Locational Determinants of Lending Deserts in the Rural United States</i> |
| | C. Biedny, B. Whitacre, and A. Van Leuven . <i>Does Faster Broadband Mean Faster Growth for Rural Businesses?</i> |
| | A. Van Leuven , C. Bir, and R. Biggs. <i>Community Determinants of Rural Veterinarian Longevity</i> |
| | E. Hill, A. Van Leuven , and S. Low. <i>Regional and Local Economic Anchors: Not Just 'Meds and Eds'</i> |

Cooperative Extension & Outreach

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| CONFERENCES, TRAINING, & WORKSHOPS | Workshop: Econ. Development: The Role of County Officials JUN. 2023 Training with county government practitioners on using publicly available data to understand the local or regional economy. Stillwater, OK. |
| | Webinar: The Economics of Downtown Revitalization APR. 2023 Presentation highlighting the value of downtown revitalization and why quantitative evaluation is important. Delivered through the University of Wisconsin Extension “Lunch-n-Learn” Series, Virtual. |
| | Workshop: Community Development Data Literacy DEC. 2022 Training on data basics: how to find and use secondary data, cautions and pitfalls, using data for decision-making. Ada, OK. |
| | Workshop: Entrepreneurship and Rural Economies APR. 2022 Presented to with Associated Electric Cooperative Inc., with Mallory Rahe and Steven Mukembo (U of Missouri Extension). Virtual. |
| | In-Service Training: Data Literacy for Rural Economies APR. 2022 Webinar to help Extension educators become familiar with sources and applications for using economic data in rural Oklahoma counties. Virtual. |
| | Conference: Creating Entrepreneurial Communities SEP. 2021 Facilitator/Presenter for session, <i>Main Street and Downtown Revitalization: What Works and What to Avoid</i> . Location: Hannibal, MO. |

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| FACT SHEETS & REPORTS | M. White and A. Van Leuven , (Jul. 2022), <i>Changes in Farm Employment, 1969 to 2021</i> , farmdoc daily, 13(130) . | |
| | H. Park and A. Van Leuven , (Jun. 2023), <i>Digital Retailing and Marketing: Tools for Rural Small Businesses Navigating the Digital Age</i> , OSU Extension Fact Sheet (Accepted for Publication). | |
| | R. Zimmer, S. Hilburn, A. Van Leuven , and B. Whitacre, (Mar. 2023), <i>Medical Marijuana Dispensaries in Oklahoma</i> , OSU AGECE Current Report (22009). | |
| | A. Van Leuven , (Jan. 2023), <i>Participants in Community and Economic Development</i> , OSU Extension Fact Sheet (AGEC-950). | |
| | N. Dethloff, A. Van Leuven , and C. Bir, (Oct. 2022), <i>Customer Service Basics for Agricultural Entrepreneurs</i> , OSU Extension Fact Sheet (AGEC-920). | |
| | M. White and A. Van Leuven , (Oct. 2021), <i>Population Change, 2010 to 2020</i> , MU Exceed Missouri Economy Indicators Series, 2(16) . | |
| | A. Van Leuven , (Sep. 2021), <i>Transportation and Logistics Infrastructure</i> , MU Exceed Missouri Economy Indicators Series, 2(15) . | |
| REPORTS & FACT SHEETS IN PROGRESS | H. McClure, A. Van Leuven , and S. Low, (Aug. 2021), <i>Transfer Payments to Individuals</i> , MU Exceed Missouri Economy Indicators Series, 2(12) . | |
| | T. Haddock, A. Hagerman, and A. Van Leuven . <i>Quantifying Exposure to Extreme Weather Events Among Rural Communities and Agricultural Producers in Oklahoma</i> | |
| | P. Kane and A. Van Leuven . <i>Operating Effective Transit Systems in Rural Oklahoma</i> | |
| INVITED PRESENTATIONS & PANELS | E. Norris and A. Van Leuven . <i>An Overview of the Cotton Sector in Oklahoma</i> | |
| | OK Farm Bureau “Activate Oklahoma” Business Accelerator Panel | JUN. 2023 |
| | Alva, OK Chamber of Commerce | MAY 2023 |
| | Stigler-Haskell County, OK Chamber of Commerce | APR. 2023 |
| | Langston, OK Community Forum | FEB. 2023 |
| | 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

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| RESEARCH & ADVISING | Rural Renewal Initiative Research Seed Grant | 2023 |
| | \$90,000 grant for project <i>The Measured and Perceived Impact of Marijuana Production on Commerce on Rural Economies, Public Utilities, and Quality of Life</i> , Co-PI with Jeff Sadler, Scott Frazier, and Brian Whitacre (project lead) | |

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| BUSINESS & INDUSTRY | Ferguson College of Agriculture Undergraduate Research Scholars | 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 | |
| | Ohio State University Graduate School | 2019 |
| | \$3,000 grant from OSU Alumni Grants for Graduate Research and Scholarship (AGGRS) to work on dissertation research | |
| | OSU Center for Real Estate | 2019 |
| | \$3,500 grant stipend for project <i>Leveraging Main Street as a Rural Real Estate Amenity</i> | |
| | BYU Office of Research and Creative Activities | 2013 |
| | \$1,500 grant for project “ <i>Missing Teeth: The Economic Impact of Holes in the Urban Fabric</i> ” | |
| | Center for Oklahoma Small Business Research and Analysis | 2023 |
| | \$34,787 grant to operate a research center providing market research and financial data to small business development advisors. | |
| | OSU Extension Undergraduate Extension Scholars | 2023 |
| | \$2,000 grant for project <i>Strategic Planning for Rural Transit in Northern Oklahoma</i> with Cherokee Strip Transit, advising student Pat Kane | |
| | Cotton, Inc. Research and Promotion Program | 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 | |
| | Oklahoma Small Business Development Center | 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, “ <i>Do ‘Banking Deserts’ Even Exist? Brick-and-Mortar Lending Access in the Continental US.</i> ” Selected paper at Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting, Washington DC. Jul. 2023. |
| | A. Van Leuven , “ <i>Do ‘Banking Deserts’ Even Exist? Examining Access to Brick-and-Mortar Lending Institutions in the Continental United States.</i> ” Invited seminar at University of Arkansas Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness, Fayetteville, AR, Jul. 2023. |
| | A. Van Leuven , R. Taylor, and S. Robinson, “ <i>The Role of Community Capital in Rural Renewal.</i> ” Invited seminar at Iowa State University Community and Economic Development Extension and Outreach, Ames, IA, Jun. 2023. |
| | A. Hagerman, A. Schaefer, A. Van Leuven , Y. Zereyesus, F. Tsiboe, A. Young, “ <i>Mitigating Structural Inequities in U.S. Agricultural Risk Management.</i> ” Selected paper at the AAEA Conference on Economics of Inequity in Agricultural, Food, and Environmental Systems, Minneapolis, May 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.

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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

- 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 | Invited Guest Lectures | |
| | RCPL 5723: Community Development & Revitalization <i>University of Oklahoma Regional & 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 2022/23</i> |
| | PUBAFRS 2110: Introduction to Public Affairs <i>Instructor of Record</i> <i>Teaching Assistant</i> | <i>Spring 2021</i> <i>Fall 2020</i> |
| | PUBAFRS/CRPLAN 7531: Economic Development Policy <i>Co-Instructor & Teaching Assistant</i> | <i>Spring 2019, 2020</i> |
| ADVISING & MENTORSHIP | Graduate Student Advising (*indicates thesis/dissertation chair) | |
| | Bosede Ogunbamise (M.S.)* | <i>Expected 2024</i> |
| | Emily Norris (M.Ag.) | <i>Expected 2024</i> |
| | Sidany Hilburn (M.S.) | <i>Expected 2024</i> |
| | Katie Welch (Ph.D.) | <i>Expected 2024</i> |
| | Alicia Young (M.S.) | <i>2023</i> |
| | Undergraduate Student Mentorship | |
| | <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) | |
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| SERVICE AND ACTIVITIES | Hatch Multistate Research Project NE-2249 | <i>2022–</i> |
| | <i>President-Elect (2023–24)</i> | |
| | <i>Project Title: “Sustainable and Inclusive Rural Economic Development to Enhance Housing, Health, Entrepreneurship, and Equity”</i> | |
| | Southern Region Program Leadership Network | <i>2022–</i> |
| | <i>Community Resource Development (CRD) Committee Representative</i> | |
| | Federal Grant Peer Review Panelist | <i>2021, 2022</i> |
| | <i>USDA AFRI Rural and Economic Development Grant Program</i> | |
| | Glenn College Doctoral Student Organization | <i>2016–21</i> |
| | <i>President (2018–19); Treasurer (2017–18)</i> | |
| | Glenn College Research Colloquium Series Coordinator | <i>2019–20</i> |
| JOURNAL PEER REVIEW | <i>Economic Development Quarterly; Growth and Change; Journal of Rural & Community Development; Journal of Urban Affairs; Letters in Spatial and Resource Sciences; Review of Regional Studies; Telematics and Informatics; Urban Affairs Review (x2)</i> | |
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| CONFERENCE ABSTRACT REVIEW | Agricultural & Applied Economics Association Annual Conference (x2) | |
| | Academy of Management Annual Meeting (x2) | |
| | Oklahoma State University Rural Renewal Symposium | |
| | Ohio State University Real Estate & Housing Conference | |
| PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS | 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