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## Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Notre Dame  
M.A. Economics, University of Notre Dame  
B.A. Economics, University of Florida  
Minor - Actuarial Science  
Honors - Summa Cum Laude

Expected May 2023  
June 2019  
May 2018

## Fields of Interest

Applied Microeconomics and Economics of Education

## Job Market Paper

“Supply-Side Responses in School Choice” with Chandon Adger

**Abstract:** Despite the growth in size of private school voucher programs, our understanding of their effectiveness relies on the results from small-scale randomized control trials. In this paper, we show why those results may not translate to programs at scale by examining changes in school quality following the adoption of the largest voucher program in the United States. We find that public schools facing potential private school competition increase their overall School Value-Added by 0.023sd, their Math Value-Added by 0.03sd, and their Reading Value-Added by 0.013sd. Schools with below-median baseline School Value-Added drive our results, suggesting that the gap in public school quality is shrinking because of the program. We also present evidence that participating private schools decrease their value-added measures on all dimensions as the program is adopted. Our results indicate that these policies not only impact the educational outcomes of individuals using the voucher but also can change the quality of schooling experienced by public and private school students.

## Working Papers

“Do the SAT and ACT Limit Enrollment? Evidence from the Test-Optional Movement”

## Research in Progress

“The Free Tuition Laws and Their Impact on Educational Attainment in the 20<sup>th</sup> century”

“Can Light-Touch Interventions in High School Impact Education Outcomes?”

“The War on Poverty and Higher Education Access: Educational Attainment and Intergenerational Effects of Upward Bound” with Chloe Gibbs

## Research Experience

Research Assistant, University of Notre Dame, Department of Economics  
Chloe Gibbs, Fall 2021 through Summer 2022  
Kasey Buckles, Spring 2020 through Summer 2021

## Presentations

Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Fall 2022  
Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Fall 2022

## Teaching Experience

Instructor, University of Notre Dame, Department of Economics  
Statistics for Economics Tutorial, Fall 2022  
Principles of Microeconomics, Summer 2022

Teaching Assistant, University of Notre Dame, Department of Economics  
Graduate Microtheory I, Michèle Müller-Itten, Fall 2019  
Principles of Microeconomics, Daniel Hungerman, Spring 2019  
Principles of Microeconomics, Ethan Lieber, Fall 2018

Tutor, University of Notre Dame, Academic Student Services  
Principles of Microeconomics, Fall 2018 through Fall 2021

## Fellowships

Burns Fellow, Program for Interdisciplinary Educational Research, Fall 2020 through Spring 2023  
Dean's Fellow, University of Notre Dame, Fall 2018 through Spring 2023

## Miscellaneous

Computer Skills  
Stata, Matlab, LaTeX

Service  
Graduate Student Committee, Co-Chair, Fall 2021

## Academic References

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