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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. This paper also presents 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 20th 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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