Brianna Felegi

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Academic Appointments

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

Fall 2023 to Present

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

Affiliate, Center for Future Workplaces and Practices

University of Notre Dame

Fall 2023 to Present

Affiliate, Center for Research on Educational Opportunity

Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Notre Dame

May 2023

Dissertation Title - "Essays on the Economics of Education"

Committee - Daniel Hungerman, Chloe Gibbs, Kasey Buckles, and William Evans

M.A. Economics, University of Notre Dame,

June 2019

B.A. Economics, University of Florida,

May 2018

Minor - Actuarial Science

Honors - Summa Cum Laude

Fields of Interest

Applied Microeconomics, Labor Economics, and Economics of Education

Working Papers

"Supply-Side Responses in School Choice" with Chandon Adger (revise and resubmit at *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*)

"The Impacts of Removing College Entrance Exams: Evidence from the Test-Optional Movement" (revise and resubmit at *Southern Economic Journal*)

Research in Progress

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

"Evaluating the Impact of Vouchers on Peer Interactions in Private Schools Using Mixed Methods" with Joseph Waddington

"Labor Market Shocks and Immigration Enforcement" with Sergio Barrera and Sarina Heron

"The Free Tuition Laws and Their Impact on Educational Attainment in the 20th century"

"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

- 2025 ASSA Annual Meeting (scheduled)
- 2024 Association of Education Finance and Policy Annual Conference, 2024 Society of Government Economists Annual Conference, APPAM Fall Research Conference (scheduled), Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting (scheduled)
- 2023 Texas Christian University, Xavier University, Bates College, Montana State University Applied Economics Summer Conference, APPAM Fall Research Conference (presenter x 2, discussant), Commonwealth Finance Workshop (discussant)
- 2022 Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Virginia Tech, Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee

Teaching Experience

Instructor, Virginia Tech, Department of Economics Labor Economics, Fall 2024 Economics of Education, Fall 2024 Analysis of Economic Data, Fall 2023

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

Awards and Fellowships

Outstanding Faculty in Undergraduate Courses, Spring 2023 Burns Fellow, Program for Interdisciplinary Educational Research, Spring 2020 to Spring 2023 Dean's Fellow, University of Notre Dame, Fall 2018 to Spring 2023

Service

Referee: Journal of Human Capital

Professional Memberships: American Economic Association, Association for Education Finance and Policy, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Southern Economic Association

Service Committees, Virginia Tech, Department of Economics Enrollment Committee, Fall 2023 Visibility Committee, Fall 2023

Faculty Advisor, Women in Economics Club, Virginia Tech

Graduate Student Committee, University of Notre Dame, Co-Chair, Fall 2021 to Spring 2022