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## EMPLOYMENT

- 2025-present Sr. Research Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas  
2023-2025 Economist, Federal Trade Commission

## EDUCATION

- 2023 PhD, Economics, Cornell University  
Fields: Labor Economics, Economics of Education, Applied Microeconomics  
2020 MA, Economics, Cornell University  
2016 BAs, Economics & Applied Mathematics, highest honors, Kansas State University  
Minors: Spanish and Statistics

## RESEARCH

### Published or Forthcoming:

Deneault, Christa. 2023. "College Enrollment and Mandatory FAFSA Applications: Evidence from Louisiana." *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*, 15 (3): 465-94.

"Local Labor Markets and Selection into the Teaching Profession" (accepted at *Journal of Human Resources*)

### Working Papers:

"Should states reduce teacher licensing requirements? Evidence from the rise of for-profit training programs in Texas" with Evan Riehl

### Works in Progress:

"The Unequal Impacts of Teacher Certification Exams on Prospective Teachers and Students" with Evan Riehl and Jian Zou

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Fall 2019,20 Teaching Assistant, Economic Analysis of the University, Ronald Ehrenberg,  
Cornell University  
Spring 2019 Teaching Assistant, Wages and Employment, Ronald Ehrenberg, Cornell University  
Fall 2018 Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Microeconomics, Nicholas Sanders, Cornell University  
Fall 2015 Supplemental Instructor, Principles of Microeconomics, Mohoned Al-hamdi,  
Kansas State University

### *Workshops and other related experience, Cornell University*

- Fall 2019      Using Active Learning Strategies in Your Teaching, Center for Teaching Excellence  
 Fall 2019      Speaking Economics: Effective Communication in a Diverse Field, DICE

## **INVITED TALKS & CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- 2025-26      Montana State University Applied Economics Summer Conference, University of Memphis\*, SEAs\*, University of Oklahoma\*, University of Arkansas\*
- 2024-25      Southern Economic Association Annual Conference, ASSA\*\*, Tulane University, Williams College, University of Colorado at Denver, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas
- 2023-24      Kansas State University, Middlebury College
- 2022-23      Cornell Labor Economics & Brooks School Workshop; United States Air Force Academy; Federal Trade Commission; Federal Communication Commission; Federal Housing Finance Agency; University of Tennessee; Lehigh University; Louisiana State University; RAND
- 2021      Education Commission of the States - *FAFSA First: States Move to Update High School Graduation Requirements*  
 \* denotes scheduled  
 \*\* denotes co-author presentation of joint project

## **SERVICE & DEI**

- 2024 -      *Advisory Council Member*, Department of Economics, Kansas State University  
 2020-2022      *Executive Member*, Diversity in Cornell Economics, Chair of Undergraduate Committee, Cornell University
- 2021-2022      *Mentor (undergraduate)*, Diversity in Cornell Economics, Cornell University
- 2020-2021      *Mentor (undergraduate)*, Graduate Students Mentoring Undergraduates, Cornell University
- 2019-2020      *Vice President*, Graduate Student Association for Economics, Cornell University
- 2019-2023      *Mentor (graduate)*, Graduate Student Association for Economics, Cornell University

**Referee for:** *Economics of Education Review, Education Finance and Policy, Education Economics*

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

- Sm 22, Sp 23      Research Assistant for Maria Fitzpatrick, Cornell University  
 Spring 2020,21      Research Assistant for Ronald Ehrenberg, Cornell University

## **AWARDS, HONORS, & FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2022      *Provost Diversity Fellowship*, Cornell University  
 Competitive dissertation completion fellowship designed to advance the Graduate School's commitment to diversity, access, equity, justice, and inclusion
- 2022      *Small Labor Grant*, Department of Economics, Cornell University
- 2019      *The Howard and Abby Milstein Graduate Teaching Assistantship*, Cornell University  
 In recognition of excellence in teaching

2017-2022	<i>Dean's Excellence Fellowship</i> , Cornell University Fellowship in support of historically underrepresented students (first generation)
2016	<i>Phi Beta Kappa</i> , Kansas State University
2015-2016	<i>Center for Risk Management Education and Research Fellow</i> , Kansas State University
2013-2016	<i>Mary Lynn Staley Economics Scholarship</i> , Kansas State University
2014	<i>Wayne &amp; Alberta Neel Scholarship Fund</i> , Community Foundation for Cloud County
2013,2015	<i>Pauline and Richard A. Cook Family Scholarship</i> , Community Foundation for Cloud County
2013	<i>Dane G. Hansen Foundation Scholarship</i> , Kansas State University

## REFERENCES

**Maria D. Fitzpatrick** (chair)  
 Professor of Economics  
 and Public Policy  
 Senior Associate Dean  
 of Academic Affairs  
 Cornell University  
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**Seth Sanders**  
 Professor of Economics  
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