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CONTACT INFORMATION

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FIELDS

Applied microeconomics, urban economics, public economics, labor economics

EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame — Notre Dame, IN

Ph.D. Economics

Expected May 2026

Committee: James Sullivan, Kasey Buckles, William Evans

M.A. Economics

2020 - 2021

Indiana University — Bloomington, IN

B.A. Economics & Political Science, Honors

2010 - 2014

Minors in Mathematics and Spanish Literature

London School of Economics, Summer Institute, 2013

RESEARCH

WORKING PAPERS “The ‘Scarlet E’: The Effects of Public Eviction Records on Low-Income Households” with John Eric Humphries, Hsi-Ling Liao, Alison Lodermeier, Stephen Stapleton, and Winnie van Dijk [[PDF](#)]

“The Impact of Temporary Rental Subsidies on Homelessness: A Randomized Controlled Trial” with David Phillips and James Sullivan [[PDF](#)]

WORK IN PROGRESS “Does Access to Credit Reduce the Risk of Eviction? Evidence from Payday Lending Bans”

“Better Outcomes, Lower Costs: Evidence from Competitive Bidding in WIC” Rebecca Brough

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATION “Reducing Readmissions by Addressing the Social Determinants of Health” with William N. Evans, Sarah Kroeger, Elizabeth L. Munnich, and Kathryn L. Wagner. *American Journal of Health Economics*, 2021. [[Published Version](#)]

OTHER WRITING (in Spanish) “Estimación e impacto de los embarazos no deseados producto de la entrega de pastillas anticonceptivas defectuosas en Chile durante 2020.” with Stephanie Otth Varnava. *Quinto Informe sobre Derechos Sexuales y Reproductivos en Chile*, 2023

HONORS AND AWARDS

AREUEA Junior Scholars Program	2025
NBER Graduate Fellowship in Consumer Financial Management	2024
University of Notre Dame Dean’s Fellowship	2020
Indiana University James E. Moffat Scholarship Recognition Award	2014
IU Jordan River Conference Undergraduate Student Paper Award	2014
IU Phi Beta Kappa	2013

RESEARCH GRANTS

Russell Sage Dissertation Research Grant (\$10,000)	2024
Notre Dame’s Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts	
American Dream Summer Grant (\$2,500)	2023
Graduate Research Grant (\$4,000)	2022

PRESENTATIONS

2025 AREUEA National Conference*, Notre Dame’s Lab for Economic Opportunities *, SOLE *[‡], Institute for Research on Poverty (IRP) Summer Research Workshop *, APPAM Fall Research Conference *[‡]

2024 APPAM Fall Research Conference, Notre Dame Applied Micro Brown Bag, Notre Dame Graduate Student Workshop

**Scheduled presentation ‡Coauthor Presented*

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant for Notre Dame’s Lab for Economic Opportunities	2022-2024
Graduate Research Assistant for Kirsten Cornelson, University of Notre Dame	2022
Senior Research Associate for Notre Dame’s Lab for Economic Opportunities	2018 - 2020
Research Analyst for RTI International at Waltham, MA and Durham, NC	2015 - 2017
Legislative Intern for the Secretariat for Legal Affairs at the Organization of American States in Washington, D.C.	2014
Legislative Intern for the Office of Legislation and Congressional Affairs at the Ministry of Finance in Santiago, Chile	2013

TEACHING

University of Notre Dame

Instructor, Principles of Microeconomics	2023
Teaching Assistant for Principles of Microeconomics	2021
Workshop Co-Instructor, Nonprofit Program Evaluation Training	2018

Indiana University

Teaching Assistant, Introduction to Microeconomics	2011-2014
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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

University of Notre Dame

Organizer, Graduate Student Research Workshop	2022-2023
Co-Chair, Economics Department Graduate Student Council	2022-2023

REFERENCES

James Sullivan (Chair)
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Kasey Buckles
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William Evans (Co-Chair)
Keough-Hesburgh Professor of Economics
University of Notre Dame
wevans1@nd.edu

OTHER

Language Skills: English (Fluent), Spanish (Fluent)

Computer Skills: Stata, ArcGIS, MATLAB, SurveyCTO, Qualtrics, LaTeX, Microsoft Office

Citizenship: United States, Chile

Last Updated: April 14, 2025