

CONTACT INFORMATION

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RESEARCH FIELDS

Labor Economics, Public Economics, Economic History, Demography

EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame – Notre Dame, IN
Ph.D. in Economics (expected 2025)
M.A. in Economics (2020)

University of Alabama – Tuscaloosa, AL
B.A. in Economics, Political Science, and History (2015)

REFERENCES

Kasey Buckles (Co-Chair)	William Evans (Co-Chair)
Professor of Economics	Keough-Hesburgh Professor of Economics
University of Notre Dame	University of Notre Dame
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PUBLICATIONS

The Effect of Emergency Financial Assistance on Healthcare Use (with David Phillips and Jim Sullivan), [Journal of Public Economics](#) (2022)

WORKING PAPERS

Did Organized Labor Induce Labor? Unionization and the American Baby Boom (Job Market Paper)

Can Moves to Opportunity be Constructed? Evidence from the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (with John Soriano and George Zuo)

WORK IN PROGRESS

Jim Crow in Federal Labor Law? The Davis-Bacon Act and Black Economic Mobility

TEACHING

University of Notre Dame

Instructor	Principles of Microeconomics (U)		Summer 2023
TA	Statistics for Economists (U)	C. Bennett	Fall 2022-Spring 2023
Tutor	Econometrics (U)	A. N. Fernando	Spring 2022
Tutor	Statistics for Economists (U)	T. Dunne	Spring 2021

RESEARCH ASSISTANCE

University of Notre Dame

Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities	J. Sullivan	Fall 2019 – Summer 2022
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University of Alabama

Alabama Center for Insurance Information and Research	L. Powell	Summer 2015 – Spring 2016
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EXTERNAL PRESENTATIONS

2024: Mountain West Economic History Conference, “Fighting for Freedom: Labor and Civil Rights in the American South” Symposium, Northwestern University, NBER Summer Institute: Development of the American Economy, Economic History Association, Southern Economic Association

2023: Midwest Economic Association (session organizer, chair, and presenter), World Congress of Cliometrics, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management

2022: Young Economist Symposium, Social Science History Association

SERVICE

University of Notre Dame

Organizer	Graduate Student Research Workshop	2021-2022
Co-chair	Graduate Student Council	2021-2022
Ambassador	University of Notre Dame Economics Dept.	2019-present

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

External

Economic History Association Graduate Dissertation Fellowship (\$10,000)	2024-2025
Smith Richardson Foundation, Domestic Public Policy Program (\$268,091)	2023-2025

University of Notre Dame

Conference Presentation Grant, Graduate Student Government	2024
Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award	2024
Notre Dame Graduate School Three Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition Winner	2024
Distinguished Graduate Fellowship, ND Institute for Advanced Study	2023-2024
Graduate Justice Fellowship, Center for Social Concerns	2022-2023
Graduate Research Grant, Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts	2022
Professional Development Grant, Graduate School	2021
Graduate Assistantship, Department of Economics	2019-present

University of Alabama

Most Outstanding Junior, College of Arts & Sciences	2014
Special Achievement Award, Department of Economics	2014

COMPUTATIONAL SKILLS

Stata, MATLAB, Python, ArcGIS, Tableau

PERSONAL

Citizenship: U.S.A.

Special Sworn Status, U.S. Census Bureau