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EDUCATION:

Ph.D. Candidate, University of Virginia	Expected May 2015
Dissertation: "High Today Versus Lows Tomorrow: Substance Use, Education, and Employment Choices of Young Men"	
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M.A. Economics, University of Virginia	May 2010
B.S. Mathematics, University of Florida	May 2008
B.A. Economics, University of Florida	May 2008

FIELDS OF INTEREST:

Labor Economics, Public Economics, Health Economics, Applied Econometrics

RESEARCH PAPERS:

"High Today Versus Lows Tomorrow: Substance Use, Education, and Employment Choices of Young Men"	Job Market Paper
"How Medical Marijuana Laws Affect Crime Rates"	Under Review
"Medical Marijuana Laws and the Market for Marijuana"	In Progress

PRESENTATIONS:

University of Virginia, Applied Microeconomics Workshop	October 2014
Sweet Briar College	October 2014
Southern Economic Association Conference	November 2013
University of Toronto, SWEAT Seminar	April 2012

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

<i>Instructor:</i> University of Virginia, Department of Economics ECON 4310, Economics of the Public Sector	Spring 2013, Fall 2011
<i>Teaching Assistant:</i> University of Virginia, Department of Economics ECON 4010, Game Theory	Spring 2011
ECON 3010, Intermediate Microeconomics	Spring 2010
ECON 2020, Principles of Macroeconomics	Spring 2009
ECON 2020, Principles of Microeconomics	Fall 2008
<i>Teaching Assistant:</i> University of Virginia, Batten School of Leadership and Public Policy PPOL 7110, Economics of Public Policy II (Graduate Course)	Fall 2010, Fall 2009

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

<i>Research Assistant:</i> University of Virginia Professor Steven Stern, <i>Department of Economics</i> Project: Cost-benefit analysis of a preventative intervention program for low-income families with two-year old children at risk for early conduct problems.	2010-2012
<i>Research Assistant:</i> University of Virginia Professor John James, <i>Department of Economics</i> Project: Survival analysis of banks in London during the early nineteenth century.	Summer 2010

HONORS AND AWARDS:

Robert J. Huskey Travel Fellowship, <i>University of Virginia</i>	2013
Bankard Dissertation Year Fellowship, <i>University of Virginia</i>	2012-2013
Snavely Dissertation Proposal Prize, <i>University of Virginia</i>	2011
Graduate Fellowship, <i>University of Virginia</i>	2008-2013
Nomination for the Seven Society Fellowship for Superb Teaching, <i>University of Virginia</i>	2008
Phi Beta Kappa inductee, <i>University of Florida</i>	2007

EXTRACURRICULARS

Applied Microeconomics Reading Group Member, <i>University of Virginia</i>	2013-present
Applied Microeconomics Reading Group Coordinator, <i>University of Virginia</i>	2012-2013
Economics of Crime Reading Group Member, <i>University of Virginia</i>	2012-2013

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Computing: Fortran, MATLAB, Stata