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Education

University of Minnesota	Spring 2018–Spring 2020
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Economics (BS) with minors in Mathematics and Statistics– GPA: 3.982	
Vanderbilt University	Fall 2017

Research Experience

Research Assistant (Ellen McGrattan, Heller-Hurwicz Economics Institute)	August 2019–Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Developed a first of its kind R Shiny web app for analyzing corporate time series data going back to 1950.– Extracted and cleaned effective tax rates and tax reconciliation data from corporate 10-K forms filed with the SEC.– Gave a guest lecture on corporate taxation to second-year PhD students in an Advanced Topics in Macroeconomics course.– Presented analysis of the investment response to the 2017 Tax Cuts and Jobs Act to the Heller-Hurwicz Economics Institute.	
Independent Research (Undergraduate Research Program)	June 2019–August 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Funded by MSROP to do research on the public choice implications of Modern Monetary Theory under the direction of Professor Ian Maitland.	

Research Projects

Incorporation, Tax Wedges, and Rent-seeking , working paper	2020
TCJA Through RBC: Testing Tax Shocks , report	2020
On Price Stability and the Job Guarantee , with Brian C. Albrecht, working paper	2020
Political Economy of MMT , working paper	2019

Conferences/Presentations

Corporate Taxation: History, Measurement, and Theory , Advanced Topics in Macro	September 2020
TCJA 2017 and Corporate Investment , Heller-Hurwicz Economics Institute	May 2020
Alternative Money University , Cato Institute	July 2019
Austrian Student Scholars Conference , Grove City College	February 2019

Work Experiences

Accenture Plc , Consultant	October 2020–Present
MN Dept. of Transportation , Data Analyst (Advanced Materials and Technology)	May 2016–May 2019
<ul style="list-style-type: none">– Responsible for analyzing thermal variability data for Minnesota roads and making recommendations on how to reform the incentive/disincentive system for contractors based on that data.– Developed a model for statistically analyzing contractor performance. Created a contractor evaluation method that saved the state \$200,000 annually.– Responsible for managing databases pertaining to Minnesota road data and conducting pertinent analyses for contractor evaluation.	

Awards

Don Lavoie Fellowship , Mercatus Center	Fall 2020
Douglas and Jane Gorence Endowed Scholarship in Economics , University of Minnesota	2019-20
Dean's List 6x	Fall 2017–Spring 2020
Thomas E. Woods Prize , Austrian Student Scholars Conference	2019
Shell Eco-Marathon Drivers' World Championship , World Champion	2017
Shell Eco-Marathon Americas , Americas Regional Champion	2016 & 2017
McKinsey & Co Diverse Young Scholars Award	2017
Clark Scholarship for Entrepreneurial Engineering , Vanderbilt University	2017
Curb Scholarship for Creativity and Academic Excellence , Vanderbilt University	2017
F. John Campbell Mathematics Award	2017
James M. Keane English Award	2017

Skills

R Statistical Programming
Matlab
Office Suite

Extracurriculars

- Mises Seminar**, President September 2018–February 2019
- Co-founded economics organization intended to provide an introduction to economics.
 - Responsible for organizing meetings, giving lectures on select topics, and advertising for the group.
- Experimental Vehicle Team**, Head Electrical Engineer 2015–2017
- Head of electrical engineering for a group that designed and built a new, full-sized electric vehicle every year. Responsible for managing the implementation of the electrical system and overseeing the work of several other team members.

References

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