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EDUCATION

Vanderbilt University

Doctor of Philosophy in Economics, *Expected 2025*

Vanderbilt University

Graduate Program in Economic Development (GPED)

Master of Arts in Economics, *2019*

James Madison University

Bachelor of Science in Economics, *2016*

Research fields: Applied microeconomics – Health, Labor, Development, LGBTQ+ economics

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

Carpenter, C. S., Lee, M. J., & **Nettuno, L.** (Forthcoming). Gender Minority Status and Family Inequality in the United States. *Russell Sage Foundation Journal in the Social Sciences*.

Nettuno, L., Mann, S., & Gonzales G. (2024). Sexual orientation-based health disparities in Chile. *PLOS ONE*.

Nettuno, L. (2024). Gender identity, labor market outcomes, and socioeconomic status: Evidence from Chile. *Labour Economics*.

Tran, N. M., Mann, S., Cortez, M. G., Harrell, B., & **Nettuno, L.** (2023). Adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) and mental health by gender identity in the United States, 2019–2021. *Preventive Medicine*.

Carpenter, C. S., Lee, M. J., & **Nettuno, L.** (2022). Economic outcomes for transgender people and other gender minorities in the United States: First estimates from a nationally representative sample. *Southern Economic Journal*.

WORKING PAPERS and WORK IN PROGRESS

“Effects of Workplace Anti-Discrimination Policies on Families: Evidence from ‘Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell’” (*Job Market Paper*)

“Infant Health and Aerial Fumigation of Illicit Crops in Colombia” (*Third Year Paper*)

“Financial Inclusion in Papua New Guinea” – *with Martin H. Davies*

NON-ACADEMIC WRITING

“Transgender people face significant economic challenges,” *IZA World of Labor*, May 17, 2022. – *with Christopher S. Carpenter and Maxine J. Lee*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Guest Lecturer, Vanderbilt University

- Mental Health Policy (Dr. Panka Bencsik) – *Fall 2023*
- Field Research in Development Economics (Dr. Ana Regina Vides de Andrade) – *Spring 2022, Spring 2023*

- Introduction to Latin American Development (Dr. Ana Regina Vides de Andrade) – *Fall 2024*

Teaching Assistant, Economics Department, Vanderbilt University – *August 2018 to present*

- *Field Research in Development Economics – Master's level*
 - Jointly led field research trips to El Salvador, Costa Rica, and Argentina to collect data on multidimensional poverty.
 - Taught STATA bootcamp to prepare students for data analysis.
 - Assisted students with semester-long empirical research projects.
- *Introduction to Latin American Development – Undergraduate level*
 - Held review sessions, office hours, and other ad hoc class meetings.
 - Created quizzes, assignments, study guides, and other course materials.
 - Graded quizzes and exams, and provided detailed feedback intended to guide students toward success.

Tutor, Madison Economics Club, James Madison University – *August 2014 to May 2016*

- Tutored underclassmen in introductory micro and macroeconomics courses through Madison Economics Club.
- Tutored students in Calculus 1, Introduction to Econometrics, and Advanced Econometrics.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, Christopher S. Carpenter, Vanderbilt University – *Summer 2021, Fall 2021, Summer 2022, Spring 2023, Summer 2023, Fall 2023, Spring 2024*

- Multiple projects analyzing a variety of health- and labor-related topics; minimum legal drinking age laws, historical smoking laws, LGBT health policies, and the current landscape of LGBT economic research.
- Data analysis and visualization, literature review, background research.

Research Assistant, Development Policy Centre, the Australian National University – *December 2019 to January 2021*

- *Determinants of Governments' Fiscal Resource Revenue: Evidence from a New Database* by Martin H. Davies and Marcel Schroder
- Data collection from government revenue reports
- STATA and Excel analysis

Research Assistant, Martin H. Davies, Professor of Economics, Washington & Lee University – *May 2016 to Dec 2018*

- Study examines savings behavior in Papua New Guinea during the 2010-2014 resources boom.
- Survey of literature and literature review.
- Involved in design of study.
- Data analysis.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

CSRA (formerly, CSC) – June 2015 to August 2017

- **Program Control Associate** (*May 2016 to August 2017*)
Financial analysis for a large government contract, including tracking and maintaining subcontractor labor for over 70 programs and 250 vendors, month-end accrued costs consolidation, monitoring payroll suspense accounts, and processing labor corrections.
- **Intern** (*June 2015 to May 2016*)
Worked with monthly financial spreadsheets (Rolling forecast, profit and loss files, subcontract labor forecasting files) and contributed to final deliverables.

AWARDS

ASHEcon Diversity Scholarship, American Society of Health Economists, 2023

LGBTQ+ Policy Lab Research Grant, Vanderbilt University LGBTQ+ Policy Lab, 2022

Kirk Dornbush Summer Research Grant, Vanderbilt University, Department of Economics, 2022

Graduate Fellowship, Vanderbilt University, College of Arts & Sciences, 2019 (annually)

Award for Academic Excellence, Vanderbilt University, 2019

James S. and Rosemary Worley Award, Vanderbilt University, 2018

LEADERSHIP and ACTIVITIES

Student Representative, Council of Economics Graduate Students (CEGS), Vanderbilt University

- Helped plan and organize graduate student research and networking events.
- Reviewed and evaluated CEGS Research Grant Applications.

GPED Student Ambassador, Vanderbilt University Graduate School Fair

- Selected by program directors to be the student representative at graduate education informational event for undergraduate students.
- Answered questions about GPED requirements and gave a student's perspective on the program.

Organizer, Graduate Life Coach: Conversation and Connection

- Planned an informational event with the Vanderbilt University Graduate Student Life Coach for GPED students.
- Facilitated discussion about the importance of mental health in graduate school.
- Provided information on resources available to Vanderbilt Students such as the Office of Student Care Coordination, the Center for Wellbeing, and the University Counseling Center.

Organizer, Fall Networking Event

- Worked on a team to organize an interdisciplinary networking event for graduate students in: GPED, Center for Latin American Studies, Master of Public Health, and International Education and Policy Management.

Speaker, the Hult Prize Case Competition

- Worked on a team to create a business plan to solve the global energy crisis.
- Presented energy solution pitch to panel of judges in related energy, poverty, and sustainability fields.

Speaker, the Federal Reserve Challenge

- Created an overview of the current state of the U.S. economy then formulated monetary policy recommendations for the Federal Reserve Bank of the United States.
- Presented findings to Federal Reserve economists. Presentations are judged based on accuracy, public speaking and creativity.
- First Place at the 2015 Regional Competition & Second Place at the 2015 District Competition.

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

- Discussant – 2024 Allied Social Science Associations Conference, San Antonio, TX 2024
- Presenter, discussant – 12th Annual Conference of the American Society of Health Economists, St. Louis, MO 2023
- Non-presenting Author – Russel Sage Foundation Conference on “U.S. Census 2020: Continuity and Change,” New York, NY 2023
- Presenter, discussant – 92nd Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 2022
- Presenter – Institute of National Affairs, Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea, 2022
- Presenter – 2022 Pacific Update Conference, Suva, Fiji, 2022
- Presenter – Eastern Economic Association Conference, Montego Bay, Jamaica 2022
- Presenter – Association for Public Policy Administration and Management 2021 Fall Conference (delayed due to COVID), Austin, TX 2022

- Attendee – NBER Health Economics Program Meeting, Cambridge, MA 2021
- Presenter – 91st Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association, Houston, TX 2021
- Discussant – 90th Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association, Virtual 2020
- Attendee – 89th Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 2019
- Attendee – 88th Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association, D.C. 2018

JOURNAL REFEREE/REVIEWER SERVICE

Labour Economics

SKILLS and OTHER

- Stata, R, SAS, LaTeX, Excel, Mendeley
- Spanish