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## RESEARCH AND TEACHING INTERESTS

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*Primary:* Urban & Regional Economics and Public Economics

*Secondary:* Transportation, International Trade, Spatial Analysis, Political Economy

## EDUCATION

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West Virginia University Ph.D. in Economics	Morgantown, WV 2021 (expected)
West Virginia University M.A. in Economics	Morgantown, WV 2019
Shepherd University B.S. in Economics	Shepherdstown, WV 2016

## PUBLICATIONS

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- Bock, M. (2019). "The Impact of Family on the Success of Female Entrepreneurs in Vietnam."  
*Mid-Continent Regional Science Association 2018 Conference Proceedings*, 30-54.
- Bock, M. (2020). "The First to Legalize: Demographic and Spatial Influences on Colorado Amendment 64." (Forthcoming, *Journal of Public Finance and Public Choice*).

## WORKING PAPERS

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(\*Dissertation Essay)

### Job Market Paper:

\*Bock, M. "Unintended Consequences of the Appalachian Development Highway System on Mortality."

Blemings, B., M. Bock, and A. Scarciuffolo. "Hoggin' the Road: Pork Slaughterhouses Increase Heavy Truck Traffic, Reducing Road Quality." *Working Paper*.

\*Bock, M. and B. Blemings. "Disamenity or a Signal of Competence? The Empirical Local Political Economy of Road Maintenance." *Working Paper (Under Review)*.

\*Bock, M. "The Causal Effect of High Occupancy Vehicle Lanes on Commuting Times in California." *Working Paper (Under Review)*.

Bock, M., A. Cardazzi, and B. Humphreys. "Effects of Pavement Quality on Traffic Outcomes: Evidence from California." *Working Paper*.

## BOOK REVIEWS

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Bock, M. (2018). Review of the book *Handbook on the Geographies of Innovation*, by Shearmur, R., Carrincazeaux, C., & Doloreux, D., in *The Review of Regional Studies* 48:3, 432-434.

## BOOK CHAPTERS

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In progress: Bock, M. and J. Hall. Impact of Douglass North on Regional Science.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### WEST VIRGINIA UNIVERSITY:

**2018 – 2020**     *Instructor with full responsibilities, Department of Economics*

ECON 201: Principles of Microeconomics: Summer 2018

ECON 202: Principles of Macroeconomics: Spring 2019 (large section)

ECON 462: Urban Economics: Fall 2019

ECON 201: Principles of Microeconomics: Spring 2020 (large section in conjunction with business college's Living Learning Community (LLC))

**Spring 2018**     *Research Assistant, Department of Economics (Schuh)*

**2016-2018**     *Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics*

ECON 201: Principles of Microeconomics: Fall 2016 (Yao), Spring 2017 (Nowak)

ECON 202: Principles of Macroeconomics: Fall 2017 (Nowak)

ECON 702: Advanced Macroeconomic Theory (Ph.D. level): Fall 2018 (Basistha)

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### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS:

**2020:** Temple University Seminar\*, SEA 2020\*, NARSC 2020\*, University of North Texas Economics Research Group Workshop\*, UEA 2020\*, NBER Economics of Transportation in the 21st Century\*, UEA PhD Student Workshop\* (Participant), WEAI 2020\* Session Chair (Vehicles: Congestion, Pollution and Health), SRSA Virtual Conference\*

**2019:** NARSC 2019 Session Chair (Transportation II), Scaled-Up Seminar at Susquehanna University, MCRSA 2019, APEE 2019

**2018:** MCRSA 2018 Session Chair (Entrepreneurship), AERUS 2018 Session Chair (Policy Analysis)

\*online setting due to COVID-19 pandemic

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### AWARDS/FUNDING:

**2019**                     APEE Young Scholar Program Award

**2019**                     Burks Family Fund for Economic Research

**2019-2020**             Economics of Transportation in the 21st Century Initiative:  
"Effects of Pavement Maintenance on Traffic Outcomes"

-National Bureau of Economic Research - National Science Foundation

**2020-2021**             Benjamin H. Stevens Fellowship in Regional Science

-North American Regional Science Council

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**REFEREE DUTIES:**

*Journal of Entrepreneurship and Economic Policy, Contemporary Economic Policy, Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy, Journal of Public Finance and Public Choice*

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**OTHER INVOLVEMENT:****2018 - 2019**

Vice President: Thompson Graduate Economics Club

**2019- Present**

President: Thompson Graduate Economics Club

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**PROGRAMMING LANGUAGES AND STATISTICAL SOFTWARE:**

Stata, Python, QGIS, ArcGIS, R, SPSS

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**REFERENCES:**

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