Ryan McWay

Version: February 13, 2024

Contact Information

Email: mcway005@umn.edu Phone: +1612 - 625 - 1222Website: mcwayrm.github.io

Department of Applied Economics University of Minnesota 1994 Buford Ave 316A Ruttan Hall Saint Paul, MN, USA 55108 – 6040

Research Interests

Primary Fields Development Economics | Environmental Economics

Secondary Fields Behavioral Economics | Urban Economics

EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Applied Economics – University of Minnesota	Present
M.S. in International and Development Economics – University of San Francisco	2020
B.S. in Economics – Saint Louis University	2018
B.S. in International Business – Saint Louis University	2018
Visiting Student	
Saint Louis University – Madrid	2017 - 2018
Bond University	2016
Spring Hill College – Bologna	2016

PRE-DOCTORAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Minnesota

Aug. 2023 – Dec. 2023

Research Assistant | Department of Applied Economics

Saint Paul, MN

• Supervised by Dr. Chengyan Yue — Neuroeconomics

University of Michigan

Jun. 2020 – Aug. 2022

Research Area Specialist Associate | Population Studies Center

Ann Arbor, MI

• Supervised by Dr. Dean Yang and Dr. Tanya Rosenblat — Development & Behavior Economics

University of San Francisco

Feb. 2019 – Aug. 2020

Research Assistant | Economics Department

San Francisco, CA

• Supervised by Dr. Jesse Anttila-Hughes — Environmental Economics

BRAC Uganda

May 2019 – Aug. 2019

Research Intern | Independent Evaluation and Research Center

Kampala, Uqanda

• Supervised by Dr. Munshi Sulaiman and Dr. Danish Us Salam — Development Economics

University of San Francisco

Jul. 2018 – Jan. 2019

Business Intelligence Analyst Intern | Office of Research and Analytics

San Francisco, CA

• Supervised by Calypso Fugit — Demography

Saint Louis University – Madrid

Jan. 2018 – May 2018

Research Assistant | Business and Economics Department

Madrid, Spain

• Supervised by Dr. Paolo Saono and Dr. Laura Muro — Business & Gender Economics

Saint Louis University

Jan. 2017 - May 2017

Research Assistant | Economics Department

Saint Louis, MO

• Supervised by Dr. Hailong Qian — Urban Economics

Instructor				
	Applied Economics Math Review	Doctoral	University of Minnesota	2023
Teaching Assistant				
APEC 5032	Economic Data Analysis	Masters	University of Minnesota	2024
APEC 3003	Intro. to Applied Econometrics	Bachelors	University of Minnesota	2023
ECON 620	Graduate Econometrics	Masters	University of San Francisco	2020
ECON 427	Applied Econometrics Capstone	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020
ECON 312	Intermediate Macroeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020
ECON 111	Principles of Microeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020
ECON 615	Mathematics for Economists	Masters	University of San Francisco	2019
ECON 112	Principles of Macroeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2019
Guest Lectures				
APEC 3003	Intro. to Applied Econometrics	Bachelors	University of Minnesota	2023
ECON 312	Intermediate Macroeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020
ECON 615	Mathematics for Economists	Masters	University of San Francisco	2019
Tutor				
MATH 106	Business Statistics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
MATH 104	Algebra & Trigonometry	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
ECON 372	Development Economics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
ECON 312	Intermediate Macroeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
ECON 112	Principles of Macroeconomics	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
BSM 302	Marketing Principles	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
SOC 150	Introduction to Sociology	Bachelors	University of San Francisco	2020, 2019
.				

PUBLICATIONS

- 3. Market Access and Quality Upgrading: Evidence from Four Field Experiments. A Replication Study of Bold et al. (American Economic Review, 2022), joint with Karim Nchare and Pu Sun. Forthcoming at Journal of Comments and Replications in Economics.
- Does Board Gender Diversity and Remuneration Impact Earnings Quality? An Empirical Analysis of Spanish Firms, joint with Paolo Saono, Laura Muro, and Pablo San Martin. Gender in Management: An International Journal. 2024. 39 (1), 18 – 51.
- 1. Cruising Through School: General Equilibrium Effects of Cruise Ship Arrivals on Employment and Education. **The** American Economist. 2022, 67 (1), 5 23.

Working Papers

1. The Impact of Early Childhood Development Interventions on Children's Health in Developing Countries: A Systematic Review and Meta-analysis of Randomized Controlled Trials, joint with Pallavi Prabhakar and Ayo Ellis (Revise and Resubmit at Journal of Development Effectiveness)

Works in Progress

- 5. Locust Swarms and Economic Damages
- 4. The Economic Value of Protected Areas in Conservation, joint with Matthew Braaskma
- 3. American Tornadoes: Tornado Shocks on U.S. Metropolises, joint with Jesse Anttila-Hughes
- 2. Sex and Sexual Orientation in Economics Preferences, joint with Alessandra Cassar
- 1. Emotional Cues: Evidence from Unexpected Gains and Losses, joint with Qingxiao Li

PERMANENT WORKING PAPERS

2. Stata Tip: Consistency and Communication in Team Dofiles, joint with James Allen IV and Hang Yu. SSRN Working Paper Series. 2021, (3965114).

1. Contrasting Incentives for Earnings Management: Board Activity and Board Remuneration in Spanish Firms, joint with Paolo Saono, Laura Muro, and Mauricio Jara-Bertin. ResearchGate Working Paper Series. 2019 (2.2.11103.00163).

Policy Briefs & Reports

- 3. An Evaluation of the PEPFAR-Funded Forca A Comunidade E Criancas (FCC) Program in Mozambique, joint with Dean Yang, James Allen IV, Arlete Mahumane, James Riddell IV, and Hang Yu. USAID Feed the Future Innovation Lab for Markets, Risk, & Resilence. 2022.
- 2. Combining Financial Incentives and Teaching to Improve COVID-19 Knowledge: A Policy Brief, joint with James Allen IV, Patricia Freitag, Faustino Lessitala, Arlete Mahumane, Laston Manja, James Riddell IV, Tanya Rosenblat, Kwasi Tabiri, Dean Yang, and Hang Yu. University of Michigan. 2022.
- 1. Correcting Misperceptions about Support for Social Distancing to Combat COVID-19: A Policy Brief, joint with James Allen IV, Patricia Freitag, Faustino Lessitala, Arlete Mahumane, Laston Manja, James Riddell IV, Tanya Rosenblat, Kwasi Tabiri, Dean Yang, and Hang Yu. University of Michigan. 2022.

Conference Presentations

Undergraduate Research Conference – SLU Madrid	2024
Applied Social Science Associations (ASSA) Annual Meeting	2024, 2021
Upper Mississippi River Basin Ecosystem Services Project (UMRBESP) Workshop	2023
Nordic Conference in Development Economics (NCDE)	2023°
CFANS Research Symposium, University of Minnesota	2023
Annual Michigan University-Wide Sustainability & Environment (MUSE) Conference	2022, 2021
Annual International Conference on Sustainable Development (ICSD)	2021
Annual Creative Art and Research Day (CARD) Conference	2020

Presented by Co-author

SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

Applied Economics Student Seminar Series, University of Minnesota	2023
Community Development Branch, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland	2022

Seminar Organizer

Applied Economics Student Seminar Series, University of Minnesota 2023 – 2025

Funding

Internal Grants

2024 \$200 UMN COGS Community Connections Grant

Applied Economics (APEC) Masters Thesis Symposium

2023 \$500 UMN CFANS GSB Community Events & Projects Grant

Applied Economics (APEC) Student Seminar Series & Skills Workshop Series

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Administrative: G Suite | Git | LaTeX | Microsoft Office Suite | Prezi

Financial: Bloomberg Marketing Concepts (BMC) | Thompson Reuters' Eikon

Languages: Italian (Conversant) | Latin (Proficient) | Portuguese (Beginner) | Spanish (Beginner)

Statistical: ArcGIS | Earth Engine | MatLab | Python | R | Stata | SQL | Tableau

Survey Design: ODK | SurveyCTO | Qualtrics

Survey Implementation: In-Person Household Visits | Phone Call Surveys | Digital Survey Forms

RECOGNITIONS

Research Awards

2022 10th Michael Szenberg Prize for the Best Article Published in The American Economist

2021 Irving Fisher Graduate Research Paper Prize – Omicron Delta Epsilon

2020 Jacques Artus Award, Outstanding Thesis – University of San Francisco

Fellowships & Scholarships

2024 Graduate Fellowship – Center for International Food and Agricultural Policy, University of Minnesota

2022	Graduate Fellowship – Applied Economics, University of Minnesota		
2019	Merit Based Scholarship – University of San Francisco		
2016	2016 Boeing Bold Scholarship – Saint Louis University		
	Sax International Business Scholarship – Saint Louis University		
2014	Merit Based Scholarship – Saint Louis University		
Miscellaneous			
2018	Motley Fool College Competition Winner		
2009	Eagle Scout		

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND AFFILIATIONS

Reviewer	Services		
Journals	Environment and Social Psychology (2)		
	Gender in Management: An International Journal (1)		
	Journal of Infrastructure, Policy and Development (1)		
Conferences	ATINER Annual International Conference on Tourism	2024	
	Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE) Summer Conference	e 2023	
Grants			
Affiliations	S		
2024	Paul Glewwe Development Lab		
	Population, Health, and Development (PHD) Lab		
2023	American Economic Association (AEA)		
	Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA)		
	Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE)		
2022			
	The Natural Capital Project: The Earth Economy Modelers (NatCap TEEMs)		
2019	Omicron Delta Epsilon (ODE)		
Committee Membership			
External	Digital Marketing Advisory Council – University of South Florida, College of Busine	ss 2022	
	Alumni Committee – University of San Francisco, Economics Department	2022, 2021, 2020	
Internal	DEI Committee – University of Minnesota, ISRDI	2024, 2023	
	Pre-Doc Hiring Committee – University of Michigan, Institute for Social Research	2021	
	Service Leadership Advisory Board – Saint Louis University	2018, 2017, 2016, 2015	

Additional Training

2023	PhD Course on Environmental Economics – BREAD – IGC
	PhD Course on Firms and Development – BREAD – IGC
2021	World Bank Group's Manage Successful Impact Evaluation Surveys Course – World Bank
	Accessing and Analyzing Census Data Using R – SSDAN Network
2018	Minor in Italian Studies – Saint Louis University
	Minor in Service Leadership – Saint Louis University
2016	Bloomberg Marketing Concepts – Bloomberg LP

Mentoring

Research Assistance

Ivan Manhique	Research Assistant		University of Essex
Kwasi Tabiri	Research Assistant	$\xrightarrow{\hspace*{1cm}}$	McGill University
Erik Tiersten-Nyman	Research Assistant	$\xrightarrow{\hspace*{1cm}}$	Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
Laston Manja	Research Assistant		University of Michigan
Arika Kayastha	Research Assistant		International Monetary Fund
Dedrick McCord	Research Intern		Atlanta Public School System
Sidi Cheng	Research Intern	$\xrightarrow{\hspace*{1cm}}$	Virginia Commonwealth University
Chenhao Yu	Research Assistant		University of Chicago