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## Education

*Ph.D.*, Agricultural Economics  
**Texas A&M University**, College Station, TX, expected 2021  
  
*B.S.*, Natural Resources  
**Cornell University**, Ithaca, NY, 2013

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## Skills

Languages: Python, SQL, R, Stata, Matlab, SAS, GAMS  
Tools: QGIS, Git,  $\text{\LaTeX}$   
Editor: Sublime

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## Employment

**Summer 2020** Research intern, *USDA Economic Research Service, Market and Trade Economics Division*  
**Summer 2019** Research intern, *Resources for the Future*  
**2016 - 2019** Graduate research assistant, *Texas A&M University*  
**2014 - 2015** Research assistant, *University of Arkansas*  
**2013 - 2014** Strategy consultant, *Mahindra Group*, Mumbai

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## Publications

Dianna K. Bagnall, William Alex McIntosh, Cristine L.S. Morgan, Richard T. Woodward, Marissa Cisneros, Michael Black, Erin M. Kiella, Srinivasulu Ale. "Farmers' insights on soil health indicators and adoption" *Agrosystems, Geosciences & Environment*, 3(1), p.e20066, 2020.

Michael Black. "Insights from asynchronous lecture viewing behavior" *Applied Economics Teaching Resources*, Forthcoming.

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## Working Papers

Michael Black and Richard T. Woodward (2020) "The value of long and short term changes in water quality"

Michael Black, Richard T. Woodward, Cristine L.S. Morgan, Dianna K. Bagnall, Erin M. Kiella, Marissa Cisneros, and William Alex McIntosh (2020) "An empirical estimate of the value of manageable soil quality"

Nishita Sinha and Michael Black (2020) "Does Self-Monitoring Lead to Better Resource Management? Evidence from Participatory Groundwater Management Program in India"

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**Works in Progress**

“Identifying Food Safety Practices Among Classes of Post-harvest Produce Firms”, with Greg Astill

“Beti Padhao: Impact of Women’s Education on their Burden of Contraception in India”, with Nishita Sinha

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**Consulting**

**2019 - present** Natural resource damage assessment, State of Texas  
**2019 - present** Natural resource damage assessment, State of Washington

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**Grants and Awards**

**2017 - present** “Actionable Links between Soil Function, Ecosystem Services, and Stakeholder Perceptions to Overcome Barriers to Improved Soil Management” (PIs: Cristine Morgan, Alex McIntosh, Richard Woodward) *Agriculture and Food Research Initiative (USDA)*  
**2016 - present** Cherry Fellowship, Texas A&M University  
**2015** Excellence Fellowship, Texas A&M University

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**Presentations**

**2020** Agricultural & Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting, Virtual  
**2020** Association of Environmental and Resource Economists Annual Meeting, Virtual  
**2019** Heartland Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop at Illinois, University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign  
**2019** Camp Resources XXVI, Asheville, North Carolina  
**2018** Soil Security and Planetary Health Conference, University of Sydney, Australia  
**2018** Southern Economic Association 88th Annual Meeting, Washington, D.C.  
**2016** Symposium for Agricultural and Applied Economics, College Station, Texas

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**Workshops**

**2020** National Institute for Mathematical and Biological Synthesis (NIMBioS) Tutorial: Adaptive Management  
**2018** Berkeley/Sloan Summer School in Environmental and Energy Economics

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**Teaching**

**2019 - present** *Instructor*, AGECE 317: Economic Analysis for Agribusiness Management, Texas A&M University  
Fall 2019 rating: 4.68/5.00,  $n = 34$   
Spring 2020 rating: 4.87/5.00,  $n = 19$   
**2016** *Teaching Assistant*, AGECE 422: Land Economics, Texas A&M University  
**2015 - 2016** *Teaching Assistant*, AGECE 105: Introduction to Agricultural Economics, Texas A&M University

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**Service**

- 2020**      *Session Moderator*, 2020 Agricultural & Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting
- 2019 - 2020**      *Member*, Department Head Search Committee, Department of Agricultural Economics, Texas A&M University
- 2019 - 2020**      *Treasurer*, 21st Annual Ecological Integration Symposium, Texas A&M University
- 2018 - 2019**      *Chair*, 5th Annual Applied Economic Research Symposium, Texas A&M University
- 2017 - 2018**      *Chair*, Website Redevelopment Committee, Department of Agricultural Economics, Texas A&M University
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**Professional Membership**

Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE); Agricultural & Applied Economics Association (AAEA); Committee on Women in Agricultural Economics (CWAE)