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## EDUCATION

The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH 2016  
Ph.D. in Agricultural, Environmental and Development Economics  
Interdisciplinary Graduate Specialization in College and University Teaching

Dissertation Title: “Three Essays Examining Household Demand for Healthy Foods”  
Committee Members: Elena G. Irwin (Chair), Joyce J. Chen, Brian E. Roe

Southern University and A&M College, Baton Rouge, LA 2011  
B.S. in Agricultural Economics, *summa cum laude*

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## EXPERIENCE

### Teaching

*Professor of Practice*, Economics Department, Tulane University June 2016 – Present

*Graduate Teaching Associate*, Agricultural, Environmental, and Development  
Economics Department, The Ohio State University 2013 – 2015

### Professional

*Data Analyst*, Bid Analysis and Review Team, Ohio Department of Transportation 2012 – 2014

*Summer Intern*, USDA Foreign Agricultural Service 2007 – 2008

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## PUBLICATIONS

### Peer-reviewed Journal Articles

“The Do Now: A Simple but Effective Active Learning Strategy” (Forthcoming). *Applied Economics Teaching Resources*.

“Differential Effects of Decentralization on Income Inequality: Evidence from Developed and Developing Countries” (with Antonio N. Bojanic). *Empirical Economics*. December 2019.

“Let’s Talk About the Money: Spousal Communication, Expenditures, and Farm Production” (with Joyce J. Chen). *American Journal of Agricultural Economics* 96(5): 1272-1290. October 2014.

## **Under Review**

“The Effect of Farmers’ Market Access on Residential Property Values” (Revise and Resubmit).

## **Research Report**

“A Snapshot of Undergraduate Students’ Nutritional Awareness, Levels of Food Label Use, and Perceptions of Their Health Status” (with Patricia E. McLean-Meynsse and Shervia S. Taylor). *Journal of Food Distribution Research* 48(1): 1-8. March 2017.

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## **ON-GOING RESEARCH**

“Does women’s empowerment reduce vulnerability to food insecurity? Evidence from Bangladesh”

“The Use of Podcasts in Helping Students Understand and Apply Economic Concepts to Real-life Examples” (with Toni Weiss)

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## **PRESENTATIONS**

### **Conference Presentations**

“Does Women’s Empowerment Affect Food Security? Evidence Using Panel Data from Bangladesh.” Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management (APPAM) Fall Research Conference, Poster Session – Denver, CO, Fall 2019

“Examining the Impact of Farmers’ Markets on Nearby Housing Prices: A Hedonic Approach.” Southern Economic Association 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting – Tampa, FL, Fall 2017

### **Invited Presentations**

“My Journey of Success Since Southern University: Tidbits for Success.” Southern University Ag Center Seminar Series – Baton Rouge, LA, Fall 2017

“Making the Most of Your Mentored Research Experience.” Summer Research Opportunities Program Orientation – The Ohio State University, Summer 2015

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## **COURSES TAUGHT AT TULANE (Average Score on Undergraduate Student Evaluations)**

### **Fall 2019**

Econ 1020-01	Intro to Macroeconomics, 59 students
Econ 1020-02	Intro to Macroeconomics, 134 students
Econ 3230-01	Econometrics, 30 students

### **Spring 2019 (4.8 / 5.0)**

Econ 1010-02	Intro to Microeconomics, 90 students
Econ 1010-03	Intro to Microeconomics, 185 students
Econ 3982-01	Global Food Economy, 47 students

**Fall 2018 (4.6 / 5.0)**

Econ 1010-02	Intro to Microeconomics, 185 students
Econ 1010-03	Intro to Microeconomics, 183 students
Econ 3230-01	Econometrics, 23 students
Econ 6970-31	Special Topics in Economics, 1 student
	Masters-level Independent Study—Valuing Coastal Restoration

**Spring 2018 (4.5 / 5.0)**

Econ 1010-03	Intro to Microeconomics, 155 students
Econ 1010-04	Intro to Microeconomics, 109 students
Econ 3230-02	Econometrics, 33 students

**Fall 2017 (4.4 / 5.0)**

Econ 1010-01	Intro to Microeconomics, 177 students
Econ 1010-02	Intro to Microeconomics, 188 students
Econ 3230-01	Econometrics, 39 students

**Spring 2017 (4.6 / 5.0)**

Econ 1010-01	Intro to Microeconomics, 47 students
Econ 1010-02	Intro to Microeconomics, 183 students
Econ 3980-01	Global Food Economy, 38 students

**Fall 2016 (4.6 / 5.0)**

Econ 1010-02	Intro to Microeconomics, 181 students
Econ 1010-06	Intro to Microeconomics, 62 students

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**COURSES TAUGHT AT THE OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY**

AEDE 4597 – Food, Population, & the Environment	Summer 2015 (23 students)
	Summer 2014 (24 students)

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**STUDENT ADVISING**

Economics major advisor, 15 undergraduate students	Present
Reader, Undergraduate Honors Thesis – Emily Hart, Economics	Present

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**UNIVERSITY / DEPARTMENT / COMMITTEE SERVICE**

Member, Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics Search Committee	Spring 2018
Speaker, Sophomore Research Lunch: “Encountering the Unexpected” – Newcomb Tulane College	Spring 2018
Member, Assistant Professor of Health Economics Search Committee	Fall 2017 – Spring 2018

Organizer, Internship Info Session with the Tulane Investment Office – Economics Department	Fall 2017
Panelist, How to Navigate Being Women in Male-dominant Fields – Economics Department	Fall 2017
Faculty Representative, Diversity Recruitment Lunch – Tulane Office of Undergraduate Admission	Summer 2017
Member, Department of Economics Seminar Committee	Fall 2016 – Spring 2017

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## ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING AT TULANE

Participant, Faculty Seminar on Service Learning – Center for Public Service, Spring 2017

Participant, Faculty Writing Retreat – Tulane Faculty Development and Mentoring Initiatives,  
Spring and Fall 2017 – 2019

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## PROFESSIONAL / COMMUNITY / OTHER SERVICE

Journal Referee ([Publons](#) profile), Fall 2016 – Present  
*Applied Economics Teaching Resources*  
*International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*  
*Social Sciences*  
*Sustainability*

Memberships: Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management  
 American Economic Association  
 Southern Economic Association

Discussant, APPAM Fall Research Conference – Denver, CO, Fall 2019

Discussant, Southern Economic Association 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting – Tampa, FL, Fall 2017

Panelist, Graduate and Professional School Expo – The Ohio State University, Fall 2015

Poster Reviewer, Agricultural & Applied Economics Association and Western Agricultural  
 Economics Association Joint Annual Meeting – San Francisco, CA, Summer 2015

Volunteer, Stop Hunger Now Meal Packaging Event – The Ohio State University, Fall 2014

Volunteer, Fresh Foods Here Initiative – United Way, Columbus, OH, Spring 2014

Judge, Denman Undergraduate Research Forum – The Ohio State University, Spring 2014

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## HONORS, AWARDS, & GRANTS

Professor of Practice (PoP) International Conference Travel Grant (\$1,000) – School of Liberal Arts, Tulane University, Fall 2019

2018-2019 Seed Grant (\$3,000) – Murphy Institute, Tulane University, Spring 2018

Newcomb Fellow – Newcomb College Institute, Tulane University, Spring 2017 – Present

Classroom Enhancement Grant (\$400), organized field trip to the ReFresh Project for Global Food Economy students – Center for Engaged Learning and Teaching, Tulane University, Spring 2017

Graduate Teaching Fellow – Ohio State Teaching Enhancement Program, The Ohio State University, 2015 – 2016

Bernie Erven Teaching Award Recipient – Agricultural, Environmental, and Development Economics Department, The Ohio State University, Spring 2015

Office of Diversity and Inclusion Student Research Grant Recipient (\$500) – The Ohio State University, Spring 2015

Minority Associate (fellowship award) – Ohio Agricultural Research and Development Center, The Ohio State University, 2012 – 2013

Patrick S. Osmer SROP Fellow – Summer Research Opportunities Program, The Ohio State University, 2011 – 2016

University Fellow – The Ohio State University, 2011 – 2012

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## OTHER ACTIVITIES

Participant, National Economics Teaching Association's 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Economics Teaching Conference – Kansas City, MO, Fall 2019

Participant, EconEd Conference – New Orleans, LA, Fall 2019

Participant, Sparking Success: A Faculty Development Conference – Tulane University, Spring 2019

Participant, The Teaching Professor Conference – St. Louis, MO, Summer 2017

Participant, Faculty of Color Retreat – Tulane University, Fall 2016 & Spring 2017

Participant, Curriculum Development Workshop: *Property Rights in the Introductory Microeconomics Course* – Institute for Humane Studies, St. Louis, MO, Fall 2016

Organizer & Facilitator, Active Learning Workshop – AEDE Graduate Teaching Fellows Program, The Ohio State University, Spring 2016

Organizer & Facilitator, Classroom Management Workshop – AEDE Graduate Teaching Fellows Program, The Ohio State University, Spring 2016

Participant, Graduate Teaching Fellows Learning Community – The Ohio State University, Summer 2015 – Spring 2016

Participant, Preparing for the Professoriate Retreat – Office of Diversity and Inclusion, The Ohio State University, Fall 2014

Participant, Course Design Institute – University Center for the Advancement of Teaching, The Ohio State University, Spring 2014

Participant, Reisch Brown Bag Teaching Discussions (content: *Academically Adrift: Limited Learning on College Campuses* by Richard Arum and Josipa Roksa) – The Ohio State University, Spring 2014

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## REFERENCES

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