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## EDUCATION

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**Georgia State University**, Atlanta, GA

Ph.D. in Economics, 2021–2026 (expected)

*Dissertation*: “Essays on Health, Public, and Development Economics”

*Committee*: Professor James Marton (Chair), Professor Lauren Hoehn-Velasco, Professor Keith F. Teltser, Professor Ann DiGirolamo

M.A. in Economics (STEM), 2024

**University of Ibadan**, Nigeria

B.Sc. in Economics, First Class Honors, 2018

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Health Economics, Public Economics, Labor Economics, Development Economics

## WORKING PAPERS

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1. “**Mental Healthcare Facilities and Mortality: Evidence from Local Access and Insurance Expansion**”  
Job Market Paper [\[PDF\]](#)
2. “**Public Payment Mandates and Provider Supply: Evidence from Nurse Midwives**”  
with Lauren Hoehn-Velasco and Yu-Ting Huang  
*Status*: Under Review [\[IZA Discussion Paper 18149\]](#) [\[SSRN\]](#)
3. “**Unlocking Health Potential: Health Effects of Free Maternal and Child Health Care Program**”  
with Tejendra Singh  
*Status*: Under Review [\[OSF Preprint\]](#)
4. “**The Effect of Online Sports Gambling Laws on Time Use**”  
with Owen Fleming and Tejendra Singh  
*Status*: Working Paper [\[OSF Preprint\]](#)  
*Media Coverage*: [Investopedia](#), [Bipolar & Bipartisan](#)
5. “**Health Effects of Ambulance Deserts**”  
with Tejendra Singh  
*Status*: Working Paper [\[OSF Preprint\]](#)

## WORK IN PROGRESS

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- “Insurance Expansion, Behavioral Responses, and Emergency Medical Infrastructure: Evidence from the ACA”

- “Long Drive to Safety: Health Effects of Losing Access to Stroke Care”
- “Beyond the Prescription: Does Health Insurance Improve Social and Emotional Well-Being?”
- “Higher Education as Regional Development: Labor Market Impacts of Nigeria’s 2011 Federal University Expansion” with Godwin Aipoh

## PRE-DOCTORAL PUBLICATIONS

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1. “**Factors influencing choice of healthcare facilities utilisation by rural households in Ogun State, Nigeria**” (with K. Aboaba, A. Akamo, T. Obalola, O.A. Bankole, A.O. Oladele). *Agricultura Tropica et Subtropica*, 2023. [\[Link\]](#)
2. “**Capital Structure and Firm Performance among the listed Agro-Allied Firms in Nigeria**” (with N. Olasehinde). *African Journal of Sustainable Development*, 2020. [\[Link\]](#)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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- **Graduate Research Assistant**, Department of Economics, GSU, 2021–present
- **Research Assistant**, Center on Health and Homelessness, GSU, 2025–present  
*Evidence Gap Map Project, Supervisor: Professor Shannon Self-Brown*
- **Research Assistant**, Center for Econometric and Allied Research, University of Ibadan, 2019–2021
- **Economics Associate and Head of Department**, Lead Educational Institute, 2018–2021

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Primary Instructor

- ECON 4210: Health Economics, Spring 2026
- ECON 4350: Economics of Poverty and Public Policy, Fall 2024

### Teaching Assistant

- ECON 8100 Applied Microeconomic Analysis, Prof. Yongsheng Xu, Fall 2025
- ECON 2100 (Global Economics) & ECON 4300 (Economics of Cities), Prof. Glenwood Ross, 2022–2025  
*Note: ECON 4300 featured in [GSU News](#) for virtual exchange with Nile University*
- ECON 2105: Principles of Macroeconomics, Prof. Grace Eau, Spring 2022
- ECON 4220: Environmental Economics and Policy, Prof. Garth Heutel, Fall 2021

### Teaching Certification

- GSU Center for Excellence in Teaching, Learning and Online Education (CETLOE), Spring 2024

## INVITED WORKSHOPS & TRAINING

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- **Facilitator**, “Introduction to Causal Inference and Applied Microeconometrics”  
Workshop for African Researchers and Students, Virtual (May 24, 2025): Organized by Omolola AK-Fasasi
- Designed and delivered workshop on causal inference methods for 35+ participants across Africa
- Covered difference-in-differences, instrumental variables, and regression discontinuity designs
- Applied methods to real-world development economics examples

## GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

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### 2026

- Georgia State University Foundation Award: E.D. (Jack) Dunn Fellowship and Research Fund

### 2025

- Center for the Economic Analysis of Risk (CEAR) Fellowship, Robinson College of Business, GSU
- Professional Development Training, Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- E.D. (Jack) Dunn Fellowship and Research Fund
- APPAM Equity & Inclusion Student Fellowship

### 2024

- Bernard B. and Eugenia A. Ramsey Chair Funding (×2)
- Carole Keels Endowed Scholarship

### 2013–2019 (University of Ibadan)

- Best Graduating Student in Economics (2019)
- Best Undergraduate Research Paper (2019)
- Dean's List (2013–2017, ×4)
- Award of Academic Excellence (2013/2014)

## CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

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### 2026 (Scheduled)

CSAE Oxford, UK • Association for Education Finance and Policy (AEFP)

### 2025

Southern Economic Association • APPAM Fall Research • AEA CSQIEP Mentoring • ASHEcon (Organized Session, Discussant & Presenter) • Atlanta/Athens Health Economists Practice Job Talk Day • Midwest International Economic Development • Southeast Regional Clinical & Translational Science • GSU Graduate Research Conference • EconNect Africa JMC Symposium (virtual) • VEPPS Graduate Student Session (virtual) • Midwest Economic Association • AYSPS Digital Landscape Initiative

### 2024

ASHEcon San Diego (Organized Session & Presenter) • American Public Health Association • APPAM Fall Research • CSAE Oxford, UK [Selected] • Atlanta Fed Workshop • Southern Economic Association • Atlanta/Athens Health Economists Research Day • VEPPS Graduate Presentations, Virtual • Applied Young Economist Webinar, University of Warwick, Virtual

### 2023

APPAM Fall Research Atlanta • GSU Graduate Research Conference • AYSPS Digital Landscape Initiative

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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### Editorial Service

- Referee: *International Journal of Health Economics and Policy*
- Abstract Reviewer: ASHEcon 2025, APHA 2025 (Mental Health), APHA 2024 (Maternal and Child Health)

## Conference Organization

- Session Organizer: Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, 2025
- Panel Organizer: ASHEcon Conference, San Diego, 2023

## University Service

- Judge: Undergraduate Research Conference, GSU, 2025

## PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS & AFFILIATIONS

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American Economic Association • American Society of Health Economists • Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management • American Public Health Association • Southern Economic Association • Econometric Society • Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin- Madison • Center on Health and Homelessness, The School of Public Health, Georgia State University

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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**Econometric Methods:** Difference-in-Differences, Triple Differences, Event Study, Synthetic Control, Regression Discontinuity, Instrumental Variables

**Programming:** Stata, R, Python, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Markdown

**Machine Learning:** Linear/Logistic Regression, Random Forests, K-Nearest Neighbors, PCA

## REFERENCES

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