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Research Interests

Macroeconomics, Household Finance, Consumer Credit

Education

University of Wisconsin–Madison

Expected: 2029

Ph.D. in Economics

Macroeconomics Major, Public Economics Minor

Advisor: Dean Corbae

University of Tennessee, Knoxville

Dec. 2019

B.A. in Economics (Honors), Mathematics Minor

Research Experience

Federal Reserve Bank of St Louis

2020 - 2023

Research Associate

2020-2022

Senior Research Associate

2022-2023

UW-Madison

Fall 2025 - Spring 2026

Research Assistant for Christine Durrance

Working Papers

- “Credit Unions and Low-Income Areas: Implications for Credit Access and Consumer Outcomes,” (current draft: December 2025).

Works in Progress

- “The Efficacy of Payday Alternative Loans,” draft in preparation.
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Research Presentations

- January 2026: 4th Credit Union Research Workshop
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Data & Programming Skills

- Programming: Julia, Fortran, MATLAB, Stata
 - Data: Equifax Analytic Dataset, Equifax Consumer Credit Panel
 - HPC: SLURM
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Teaching Experience - University of Wisconsin-Madison

- Teaching Assistant for Fran Flanagan, Introduction to Microeconomics, Fall 2024
 - Head Teaching Assistant for David Johnson, Introduction to Microeconomics, Spring 2024
 - Head Teaching Assistant for Fran Flanagan, Introduction to Microeconomics, Fall 2025
 - Head Teaching Assistant for Greg Pac, Introduction to Microeconomics, Spring 2026
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Service

- Wisconsin Economics Graduate Organization - Social Chair 2024-2025
- Wisconsinites for Inclusion and Diversity in Economics - Community Engagement Chair 2025-2026