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Research Interests: Economics of science, economics of education, gender economics

EDUCATION

University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa (*Honolulu, HI*)

Ph.D. candidate, Economics

Matriculated 2018

M.A., Economics

2018 – 2020

- Seiji Naya Outstanding First-Year Student Award (2020); Seiji Naya Outstanding Third-Year Paper Award (2022); Burnham Campbell Fellowship Recipient (2023); GSO Award, \$1440 (2021)

University of California, Davis (*Davis, CA*)

2012 – 2016

B.A., Economics, cum laude

B.A., International Relations, cum laude

Minors (3): Managerial & Resource Economics, East Asian Studies, Communication

- UC Davis Dean’s List (4x); Korea University Global Scholarship (2x)
- Study abroad in Seoul, South Korea during academic year 2014-15 (Korea University)
- Conference curator & lead organizer for TEDx UC Davis 2015 & 2016

RESEARCH

Publications

- “Ranking Researchers: Evidence from Indonesia” (*with John Lynham and Caroline Fry*), **Research Policy**, 2023

Working Papers/ In Progress

- “The Price of Mistrust: The impact of a medical ethics scandal on scientific capacity in Sub-Saharan Africa” (*with Caroline Fry*), **Industry and Innovation** (*Revise & Resubmit*)
- “Star Secrets? Examining the gendered effects of superstar collaboration in Economics” (job market paper)
- “Food for Thought: Can college pantries nourish academic success?”

WORK EXPERIENCE

NSF ADVANCE Kaulike Catalyst Project

Jan 2024 – present

Graduate Research Assistant

Honolulu, HI

- Investigate experiences of women in STEM at UH Manoa using a feminist, intersectional approach.
- Develop proposals to address gender inequities in tenure, promotion, and faculty hiring.
- Monitor outcomes and present findings to advisory boards and the UH Manoa community.
- Software/programs used: STATA; R; Springform.

May 2021 – Dec 2023

The Economic Research Organization at the University of Hawai‘i (UHERO)

Graduate Research Assistant

Honolulu, HI

- Manage website and public media content to disseminate economics research.
- Assist in purchase orders and reimbursements for research funding and grants.
- Software/programs used: WordPress; MailChimp; Adobe Creative Cloud; Concur.

Department of Economics, University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa

Aug 2018 – May 2021

Graduate Research Assistant for College Better Experiment

Honolulu, HI

- Examine commitment and monetary incentives to improve undergraduate academic performance.

- Software/programs used: STATA; TouchNet; Paypal; Qualtrics; Google Forms; Microsoft Office.

International Rescue Committee

2015 – 2016

Intern, Assistant to Case Manager

Sacramento, CA

- Assist refugees with resettlement and immigration procedures.
- Secure housing, facilitate cultural orientations, connect to resources, and ensure well-being for a smooth transition.

TEACHING

University of Hawai‘i at Mānoa (*Honolulu, HI*)

- Math Camp for Economics PhDs (graduate), instructor
- Introduction to Econometrics (undergraduate), teaching assistant
- R for Econometrics (undergraduate), instructor
- Introduction to Statistics (undergraduate), instructor

EVENTS, SKILLS & INTERESTS

- **Academic Attendances:** Geography of Innovation Conference 2022 (presenter); Hawaii One-Day Applied Micro Conference 2018, 2019 (organizer and attendee); CSWEP Women’s Mentoring Workshop 2022, 2023 (participant); Foundation for Economic Education Conference on Environmental Economics 2013 (attendee); UH Manoa Applied Micro Brownbag, 2021, 2022, & 2023 (presenter); 2024 FMA Annual Meeting (upcoming, presenter); CSWEP Paper Sessions for ASSA Annual Meeting 2025 (upcoming, presenter).
- **Affiliations:** Graduate Women in Science Hawaii; East-West Toastmasters
- **Skills:** Data analysis & statistical modeling (STATA, R)
- **Interests:** Greek mythology; ceramics; historic cooking & recipes

References:

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