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## EDUCATION

## University of Cincinnati, Carl H. Lindner College

Cincinnati, OH, USA

Economics (BBA), Business Analytics (BSc), Mathematics (Minor) GPA: 3.96/4.0

May 2022

Business Administration (Associate of Arts) GPA: 3.80/4.0

May 2020

#### Publications

- [1] **Posmik, Daniel C.** "Predicting International Student Enrollment by Institutional Aid: A Random and Fixed Effects Approach". In: *The Journal of Student Financial Aid* 51.3 (2022).
- [2] **Posmik, Daniel C.**, Jocelyn Shyong, and Jessica Heiges. "The Economic and Environmental Impacts of Poly(3-hydroxyproprionate)". In: *Waste 360* (2020).

## SOFTWARE PACKAGES & WORKING PAPERS

[1] Posmik, Daniel C. "EasyCoord: An R Package for Coordinate Conversion". In: In Progress.

# TECHNICAL SKILLS & RELEVANT COURSEWORK

- Programming: Advanced: R · Python · LATEX · Git Basic: Julia · MATLAB · SQL
- Course Audits: Real Analysis (Spring '23, Y. Li)
- Coursework: Statistics and Machine Learning (A-) · Abstract Math (A) · Econometrics (A) · Statistics and Probability (A) · Mathematical Modeling (A) · Calculus I-III (A, A, A-) · Dynamical Systems (A) · Linear Algebra (A) · Game Theory (A) · Forecasting and Risk (A) · Data Mining (A) · Database Management (A)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

## Becker Friedman Institute for Economics

Chicago, IL, USA

Project Associate · Energy & Environment Lab (Prof. Michael Greenstone)

Jan. 2023 - Present

- Training eight machine learning models to predict the likelihood of factory-level violations against the Clean Air Act
- Conducting lit review to inform an RCT studying the effect of media intervention on environmental compliance
- Building data pipelines for machine learning models by writing APIs (RSelenium) to scrape data ( $\approx 10$ TB)
- Managing data use within the lab and ensuring compliance with privacy/ security protocols as the data steward
- Preparing results for research papers, policy briefs, and presentations targeting policymakers and academic audiences
- Supporting fundraising, reporting, and grant-writing efforts, specifically regarding NSF and EPA grants

## The Brattle Group

Boston, MA, USA

Research Analyst · Electricity Practice Group

July 2022 - Dec. 2022

- Analyzed energy congestion patterns using k-Means clustering on space- and time-indexed locational marginal prices
- Visualized (QGIS) the energy congestion project, informing a utility's transmission investment ( $\approx $10$ m)
- Conducted cost-benefit analysis for the NJ Board of Public Utilities to evaluate the need for transmission upgrades
- Developed a cost-benefit model for the electrification of bus fleets considering grants from the Inflation Reduction Act

#### Kautz-Uible Economics Institute

Cincinnati, OH, USA

Capstone Research · Advised by Prof. Michael Jones

Jan. 2021 - Dec. 2021

- Designed independent research, analyzing the association between financial aid and international student enrollment
- Studied causal research frameworks, i.e. a difference-in-differences design with continuous and time-varying treatment
- Conducted in-depth literature review on panel data econometrics and treatment effect heterogeneity
- Developed two-way fixed effects and random effects model; found that only substantial aid awards predict enrollment
- Found that financial aid is especially powerful at rural, private, low research activity institutions
- Presented peer-reviewed publication at university-wide capstone competition and the Cleveland Fed's ESP Conference

## Novomer, Inc.

Rochester, NY, USA

May 2020 - Aug. 2020

• Led a qualitative study assessing the waste impact of Novomer's biodegradable P(3HP) polymer

Project Lead · Reported to Jeff Uhrig, CEO

- Coordinated a small research team of one Ph.D student and one chemical process engineer for three months
- Assisted with life cycle analysis; conducted an analysis of market fit; summarized global impacts of plastic waste
- Co-authored white paper and communicated findings to an audience of executives; published study through Waste360

## Professional Activities

#### **Academic Presentations**

- Heterogeneity-robust Spatial Synthetic Controls, UChicago Spring 2023 Research Staff Workshop, 2023, Chicago, IL
- Predicting International Student Enrollment by Aid, Cleveland Fed. Reserve ESP Conference, 2022, Cleveland, OH
- International Students and the Global Flow of Talent, Guest Lecture International Economics, 2021, Cincinnati, OH
- Lobbying for Carbon Dividends H.R.763, International CCL Climate Change Conference, 2019, Washington D.C.

#### Refereeing

- Journal of Student Financial Aid (2022): Peer Reviewer
- Cleveland Federal Reserve Economic Scholars Program (2022): Reviewer of Conference Submissions

#### AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

- Presidential Leadership Medal of Excellence ('22): Highest university-wide leadership award, 4 yearly recipients.
- Economics Student / Non-Traditional Student of the Year ('22): Department honors (Economics), 1 yearly award.
- Schwarzman Scholarship ('21): Finalist, Only 400 out of 3,000+ applicants advance to the final round.
- Annie Fitzgerald Award ('21): Highest university-wide community service awarded 2 yearly recipients.
- Heart of William J. Keating Leadership Award ('21): Highest leadership award in business school, 1 yearly recipient.

# Talks and Media Appearances

- Podcast Episode on Neo's Legacy ('23): In the Know with Neo Podcast.
- Neo Cincy helps Companies find Talent ('22): Newspaper report in *The Business Journals*.
- Telling Stories with Data ('21): TEDx Talk.
- UC Students helping Local Business unlock more Money ('21): News story aired on WCPO-9.

## LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

#### Neo Initiative

Cincinnati, OH, USA

Founder and President · Faculty Advisor Dr. Prince Ellis

June 2020 - Jan. 2022

- Created the first student-led, pro-bono analytics accelerator for minority-owned small businesses in the U.S.
- Coordinated a team of 6 exec officers, 5 project leads, 5 mentors, and 30 analysts on up to five semesterly projects
- Served a total of 15 black-owned small businesses, developing three practice areas (business intelligence, business analytics, systems implementation) while overseeing 2,480 community service hours in the 2020/2021 school year
- Created an academy centered around systems implementation in partnership with MORTAR Cincinnati
- Fostered industry partnerships with AMEND Consulting, LLC and 84.51, starting a mentorship program
- Reached 300+ minority-identifying small businesses through a state-sponsored (MBAC) data literacy series
- Built partnership with the Ohio Department of Development (ODD) around statewide expansion plans and tapped state funding through the 'Ohio Third Frontier' program; enabling Neo to compensate four students up to \$7,500

## UC Blue Ash Sustainability

Blue Ash, OH, USA

Co-Founder and Co-President  $\cdot$  Faculty Advisor Dr. Mike Roman

Aug. 2019 - July 2020

- Hosted the UC Blue Ash Sustainability Summit which was attended by city of Cincinnati's director of sustainability
- Served as a campus liaison with the Citizens Climate Lobby (CCL) and participated in the 2019 International Climate Conference in Washington DC, lobbying for the Energy Innovation and Carbon Dividend Act (H.R. 763)
- Pitched H.R. 763 to congresswoman Joyce Beatty (D-OH) who cosponsored the bill in December 2020

# Languages & Interests

- $\bullet \ \textbf{Language} \colon \text{German (Native)} \cdot \text{English (Fluent)} \cdot \text{French (Advanced)} \cdot \text{Latin (Intermediate)} \cdot \text{Spanish (Basic)}$
- $\bullet \ \ \textbf{Interests} : \ \textbf{Rock/} \ \ \textbf{Ice} \ \ \textbf{Climbing} \ \cdot \ \ \textbf{Mountaineering} \ \cdot \ \ \textbf{Hiking} \ \cdot \ \ \textbf{Cooking} \ \cdot \ \ \textbf{Meditation} \ \cdot \ \ \textbf{Dogs}$