### **RILEY K. ACTON**

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### PERSONAL INFORMATION

Citizenship: United States

### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. Economics, Michigan State University, expected 2020

M.A. Economics, Michigan State University, 2016

B.S. Economics and Mathematics, Ursinus College, 2015, summa cum laude

### FIELDS OF INTEREST

Labor Economics, Public Economics, Economics of Education

### **WORKING PAPERS**

"Local Labor Market Shocks and Community College Program Choices" (Job Market Paper)

"Effects of Reduced Community College Tuition on College Choices and Degree Completion" Revise & Resubmit at *Education Finance and Policy*.

"Do Health Insurance Mandates Spillover to Education? Evidence from Michigan's Autism Insurance Mandate" (with Scott Imberman and Michael Lovenheim). NBER Working Paper No. 26079. *Under Review*.

### **CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**

2019: Association for Education Finance & Policy Annual Conference, University of Michigan H2D2 Day (poster session), University of Toledo, Society of Labor Economists Annual Meetings, UM-MSU-UWO Labor Day, Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management International Conference, Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management Fall Research Conference (scheduled), University of Michigan Causal Inference in Education Research Seminar (scheduled)

2018: Association for Education Finance & Policy Annual Conference, University of Michigan Causal Inference in Education Research Seminar, Association for Public Policy Analysis & Management Fall Research Conference

### **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

Instructor, EC480 Analysis of Labor Markets, MSU
Instructor, EC202 Introduction to Macroeconomics, MSU
Teaching Assistant, EC201H Honors Introduction to Microeconomics, MSU
Teaching Assistant, EC251H Honors Microeconomics & Public Policy, MSU
Teaching Assistant, EC480 Analysis of Labor Markets, MSU
Research Fellow, American Economic Association Summer Program

Summer 2018

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Research Assistant, Prof. Scott Imberman, MSU	2016-2017
Research Assistant, Prof. Leah Lakdawala, MSU	Summer 2016
Research Assistant, Prof. John Goddeeris, MSU	Summer 2016

# HONORS AND AWARDS

University Distinguished Fellowship, MSU	August 2015-present
Department of Economics Excellence-in-Teaching Award, MSU	2018
Roe L. Johns Travel Grant, Association for Education Finance & Policy	2018
Red Cedar Award (best third year paper), MSU	2018
Peter Schmidt Award (honorable mention, best first year student), MSU	2016
Compton-Rose Prize (top graduating economics major), Ursinus College	2015
Phi Beta Kappa, Ursinus College	2014

### SERVICE

# Professional service:

Session organizer, 2019 APPAM Fall Research Conference Session organizer, 2018 APPAM Fall Research Conference

# Department and college service:

Organizer, MSU Women and Minorities in Economics Graduate Student Panel	2018
College of Social Science Dean's Graduate Advisory Council, MSU	2018-present
College Graduate Hearing Board, MSU	2017-2018

# REFEREE FOR: AERA Open

# **REFERENCES**

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