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Curriculum Vitae (September 2019)

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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

“Community College Program Choices in the Wake of Local Job Losses” (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). *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, American University School of Public Affairs, University of Michigan Causal Inference in Education Research Seminar

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	Spring 2018
Instructor, EC202 Introduction to Macroeconomics, MSU	Summer 2017
Teaching Assistant, EC201H Honors Introduction to Microeconomics, MSU	Spring 2019
Teaching Assistant, EC251H Honors Microeconomics & Public Policy, MSU	Fall 2018
Teaching Assistant, EC480 Analysis of Labor Markets, MSU	Fall 2017, Spring 2019
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	2015-present
Department of Economics Summer Research Fellowship, MSU	2019
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

Referee service:

American Education Research Association (AERA) Open, Economics of Education Review

Professional service:

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

Department and college service:

Organizer, Women and Minorities in Economics Graduate Student Panel, MSU	2018
College of Social Science Dean's Graduate Advisory Council, MSU	2018-present
College Graduate Hearing Board, MSU	2017-2018
Department of Economics First Year Mentor, MSU	2016-2018

REFERENCES

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