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## Education

### **Vanderbilt University**

Ph.D. in Economics: Expected Completion May, 2024.

*Dissertation Proposal: March, 2023*

M.A. in Economics: May, 2020

### **Furman University**

B.A. in Mathematics-Economics, 2018.

*Summa Cum Laude*

## Research

### **Research Fields**

Public Economics, Labor Economics, Urban Economics, Economics of Education

### **Peer-Reviewed Publications**

“Rivers, Lakes and Revenue Streams: The Heterogeneous Effects of Clean Water Act Grants on Local Spending” with Patrick Flynn (2022). *Journal of Public Economics* 212: 104711.

“Turning around Schools (and Neighborhoods?): School Improvement Grants and Gentrification” with Cameron Friday (2023). *Economics of Education Review* 94: 102382.

### **Working Papers**

“Human Capital Adjustments and Labor Market Resilience: Evidence from Linked Education and Earnings Data” (*Job Market Paper*)

### **Works-in-Progress**

“Student Debt and Housing Wealth” with Lesley Turner, Jeremy Burke, and Jaun Saavedra

“Slipping Through the Net: Childhood Access to the Safety Net and Educational Attainment” with Samuel Mann and Laura Bellows

“Assessing the Property Tax with Property Tax Assessments” with Cora Wigger

### **Presentations**

Association for Education Finance and Policy Annual Conference (2021 - 2023); Southern Economics Association 91st Annual Meeting (2021-2023); Urban Economics Association North American Fall Meeting (2021); Urban Economics Association Summer School (2021); Vanderbilt Empirical Applied Microeconomics Seminar (2020-2023)

	<b>Other Research Experience</b> Research Assistant, Prof. Lesley J. Turner: August 2021 - Present Research Assistant, Prof. Andrew Goodman-Bacon: February 2020 - August 2020
	<b>Relevant Graduate Coursework</b> Environmental and Health Economics (2022); Labor Economics (2021); Health Economics (2021); Applied Microeconomics Research Designs & Methods (2020); Public Economics (2020); Microeconometrics (2020)
Teaching	<b>Teaching Fields</b> Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Economics of Education, Public Economics, Urban Economics, Research Design & Methods, Policy Analysis  <b>Vanderbilt University</b> Instructor: Strategic Analysis (2021)  Guest Lecturer: Applied Microeconomics Research Designs & Methods (2020, 2021, 2023)  Teaching Assistant: Principles of Microeconomics (2023), Applied Microeconomics Research Designs & Methods (2020, 2021, 2023), Poverty and Discrimination (2021) Economics of Education (2020), Economic Growth (2020, 2021), Health Care Policy (2020), Intermediate Microeconomics (2019)  <b>Furman University</b> Guest Lecturer: Public Finance (2021)  Tutor: Intermediate Microeconomics, Empirical Methods, Statistics, Introduction to Economics
Awards and Fellowships	<b>American Education Research Association</b> 2022 Dissertation Grant (\$27,500)  <b>Vanderbilt University</b> Walter B. Noel Dissertation Fellowship, Spring 2024 Kirk Dornbush Summer Research Grant (\$1,800), Summer 2022 College of Arts and Science Summer Research Award (\$3,400), Summer 2022 Vanderbilt University Graduate Fellowship, 2018 - Present  <b>Furman University</b> <i>Phi Beta Kappa</i> , 2018 Adam Smith Award, 2016
Professional Activities	<b>Referee</b> <i>Journal of Human Resources, Industrial Relations, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of Health Economics</i>  <b>Service</b> Expert Teaching Assistant: TA Orientation (2023), Vanderbilt University  Organizer: Applied Microeconomics Graduate Research Development Group (2022-2023), Vanderbilt University

Co-Organizer: Graduate Student Economics of Education Zoom (GEEZ) Seminars (2022)

Representative: Council for Economics Graduate Students (2021-2022), Vanderbilt University

References	Lesley J. Turner	Brian Beach
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	Vanderbilt University	Vanderbilt University
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