

# Tucker Smith

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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, Economics of Education, Urban Economics

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

“Human Capital Adjustments to Adverse Local Economic Shocks”

## **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 (2020-2022); Vanderbilt Economic History Tea (2020)

## **Other Research Experience**

Research Assistant, Prof. Lesley J. Turner: August 2021 - Present

Research Assistant, Prof. Andrew Goodman-Bacon: February 2020 - August 2020

## **Relevant Graduate Coursework**

Environmental and Health Economics (2022); Labor Economics (2021); Health Economics (2021); Applied Microeconomics Research Designs & Methods (2020); Public Economics (2020); Microeconometrics (2020)

## Teaching

### **Teaching Fields**

Microeconomics, Labor Economics, Economics of Education, Public Economics, Urban Economics, Research Design & Methods, Policy Analysis

### **Vanderbilt University**

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)

### **Furman University**

Guest Lecturer: Public Finance (2021)

Tutor: Intermediate Microeconomics, Empirical Methods, Statistics, Introduction to Economics

## Awards and Fellowships

### **American Education Research Association**

2022 Dissertation Grant (\$27,500)

### **Vanderbilt University**

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

### **Furman University**

*Phi Beta Kappa*, 2018

Adam Smith Award, 2016

## Professional Activities

### **Referee**

*Journal of Human Resources, Industrial Relations, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of Health Economics*

### **Service**

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

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