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Curriculum vitae

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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2019– Director of Research
2023–24 Interim Senior Director
 Georgia Policy Labs, Georgia State University
 Andrew Young School of Policy Studies

2017–19 Postdoctoral Fellow
 University of Michigan
 Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy

EDUCATION

2017 Ph.D. in Public Policy and Management
2016 M.Phil. in Public Policy and Management
 Carnegie Mellon University
 H. John Heinz III College of Information Systems and Public Policy

2006 B.A. in Economics
 University of Cambridge

PUBLICATIONS

Policy Reports

2024 Definition and measurement issues in Career and Technical Education
 (with Daniel Kreisman)

2024 Work-based learning for CTE: A multi-state analysis of data collection and usage
 (with Carly Urban)

2023 Opportunities to improve the pipeline of students into and through Advanced
 Placement
 (with Michael Bloom, Monica Mogollon Plazas, and Jonathan Smith)

2023 The effect of The Scholarship Academy's College Bound Initiative FAFSA events on
 FAFSA completion
 (with Monica Mogollon Plazas and Za Eng Mawi)

- 2022 A multi-state analysis of trends in Career and Technical Education
(with Carly Urban, Celeste Carruthers, Shaun Dougherty, Daniel Kreisman, and Roddy Theobald)
- 2022 Student achievement growth during the COVID-19 pandemic: Fall 2021 update
(with Tim Sass)
- 2021 A multi-state analysis of trends in Career and Technical Education
(with Celeste Carruthers, Shaun Dougherty, Dan Kreisman, and Roddy Theobald)
- 2021 Upper elementary math scores and additional supports for Algebra I
- 2021 Student achievement growth during the COVID-19 pandemic
(with Tim Sass)
- 2021 Principals' selection of teacher candidates
(with Katherine Stewart and Tim Sass)
- 2020 Children in Georgia's Pre-K program: Characteristics and trends, 2011–12 to 2018–19

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- 2025 Equitable use of subsidized child care in Georgia
(with David Ribar)
Early Childhood Research Quarterly, 70, 65–78
- 2024 Career and Technical Education alignment across five states
(with Celeste Carruthers, Shaun Dougherty, Daniel Kreisman, Roddy Theobald, Carly Urban, and Jesús Villero)
AERA Open, 10
- 2016 Testing for changes in the SES-mortality gradient when the distribution of education changes too
(with Fabian Lange and Seth Richards-Shubik)
Journal of Health Economics, 46, 120–130

Working Papers

- 2024 Loopholes and the incidence of public services: Evidence from funding Career & Technical Education
(with Brian Jacob, Daniel Kreisman, and Michael Ricks)
- 2024 Who takes high-earning CTE pathways?
(with Celeste Carruthers, Shaun Dougherty, Daniel Kreisman, Roddy Theobald, Carly Urban, and Jesús Villero)
- 2019 Attrition over time for teachers and comparison professions

Manuscripts in Preparation

2024 Inequality over time in U.S. college entry and completion by income and parental education
(with Elizabeth Burland and Susan Dynarski)

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

2024–26 Do Career and Technical Education Skills and Credentials Help Students in the Labor Market?
Student Upward Mobility Initiative, Urban Institute
\$153,000

2024 Consulting services
MDC, Inc.
\$10,000

2024 Consulting services
Columbus Technical College
\$10,000

2024–25 Support the Georgia Policy Labs' analysis of opportunities for youth and families
Annie E. Casey Foundation
\$156,559

2023–25 CTEEx 3.0: A Career and Technical Education policy exchange
(with Dan Kreisman, Celeste Carruthers, Shaun Dougherty, Blake Heller, Roddy Theobald, and Carly Urban)
Smith Richardson Foundation
\$450,000

2023 NISS USG NextGen Diagnostics
National Institute for Student Success, Georgia State University
\$55,000

2022–26 CTE teacher labor markets, attributes, and student outcomes
(with Dan Kreisman, Celeste Carruthers, Shaun Dougherty, and Roddy Theobald)
Institute of Education Sciences, National Center for Education Research
\$1,699,991

2021–24 Early care & education access among Georgia's low-income families
(with David Ribar)
Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, Equity-Focused Policy Research
\$156,527

- 2021–23 The impact of Georgia’s ACCESS initiative on subsidized child care
(with David Ribar)
Administration for Children & Families, Child Care and Development Fund Planning
Grant
\$150,000
- 2021–23 Pathways into the early care and education workforce: The role of various credentials
in facilitating the supply and placement of early care and education professionals
Young Scholar Fellowship, Foundation for Child Development
\$225,000
- 2017–19 Postdoctoral Research Fellow
Education Policy Initiative, Ford School of Public Policy, University of Michigan
- 2016 Outstanding Teaching Assistant
Heinz College, Carnegie Mellon University
- 2012–16 Predoctoral Training Fellow
Program in Interdisciplinary Education Research, Carnegie Mellon University

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (PAST FIVE YEARS)

- 2025 Association for Education Finance and Policy (AEFP) (scheduled)
- 2024 AEFP, Actionable Intelligence for Social Policy, Association for Public Policy Analysis
& Management (APPAM), Southern Economic Association
- 2023 AEFP, APPAM
- 2022 AEFP

SERVICE TO PROFESSION

- 2024 tablbl: Stata module to tabulate variables showing both values and user-defined
value labels
- 2023–24 Member of GPL’s Core Team, fostering organizational inclusiveness
Georgia Policy Labs, Andrew Young School of Policy Studies
- 2020 Digital Landscape Initiative, Marginalized Populations
Georgia State University, Andrew Young School of Policy Studies
- 2019 bacondecomp: Stata module to perform a Bacon decomposition of difference-in-
differences estimation
- 2017–18 Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program mentor
University of Michigan

Reviewer

Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Educational Researcher, AERA Open,
Peabody Journal of Education

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Fundamentals of Quantitative Methods (Summer 2014-16, Instructor)
Econometric Theory and Methods (Spring 2015, Teaching Assistant [TA])
Applied Econometrics (Fall 2012-14, TA)
Applied Economic Analysis (Fall 2016, TA)
Intermediate Statistical Methods (Fall 2014, TA)
Introductory Statistical Methods (Fall 2016, TA)
Management Science (Spring 2013-17, TA)

MEDIA (PAST FIVE YEARS)

2024	EdWeek
2023	WSB
2022	Atlanta Journal Constitution, WABE, 11 Alive, Albany Herald
2021	WSB, Atlanta Journal Constitution, Marietta Daily Journal, 11 Alive, WABE, KLKN, CBS, Post Crescent, Metro Atlanta CEO, The Conversation
2015	FiveThirtyEight

RELATED PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Stata, R, Python, D3.js, Hugo, HTML, CSS, JavaScript

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Association for Education Finance and Policy, Association for Public Policy Analysis &
Management