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| PRIMARY POSITION | Assistant Professor of Economics, Mississippi State University | 2020– |
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| ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS & APPOINTMENTS | CESifo Research Network Affiliate | 2023– |
| | IZA Research Affiliate | 2021– |
| | EdWorkingPapers Invited Contributor | 2020– |
| | Guest Researcher, CESifo, Center for the Econ. of Education | 1/2023 |
| | Postdoc, Georgia Policy Labs, Georgia State University | 2018–2020 |

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| EDUCATION | Ph.D., Economics, Cornell University | 2018 |
| | M.A., Economics, Cornell University | 2016 |
| | M.S., Statistics, Utah State University | 2012 |
| | B.A., Economics, Utah State University, <i>Summa Cum Laude</i> | 2011 |
| | Minors: Mathematics, Chinese | |
| | Chinese Language, Shanghai JiaoTong University, China | 2007 |

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| FIELDS | Applied Microeconomics, Economics of Education, Labor Economics |
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| PUBLICATIONS | The Academic Origins of Economics Faculty . Forthcoming, <i>Journal of Economic Education</i> . (Joint with Arielle Sloan.) |
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[Changes in Parental Gender Preference in the United States: Evidence from 1850-2019](#). Forthcoming, *Journal of Population Economics*. (Joint with Matthew Millington and Joseph Price.)

[The Graduate School Origins of Finance Faculty](#). *Journal of Empirical Finance* (2023), 71:88-103. (Joint with Haoyang Xiong)

[The Effects of Financial Aid Loss on Student Persistence and Graduation: A Multi-Dimensional Regression Discontinuity Approach](#). *Education Finance and Policy* (2022), 17(2): 206-231. (Joint with Daniel Kreisman, Ross Rubenstein, Cynthia Searcy, and Rachana Bhatt.)

[Maxed Out: The Human Capital Effects of Larger Student Loan Limits.](#) *Journal of Human Resources* (2021), 56 (4): 1113-1140. (Joint with Jeffrey Denning.)

[College Credit on the Table? Advanced Placement Course and Exam Taking.](#) *Economics of Education Review* (2021), 84: 102-155. (Joint with Ishtiaque Fazlul and Jonathan Smith.)

[Do Peers Influence Occupational Preferences? Evidence from Randomly-Assigned Peer Groups at West Point.](#) *Journal of Public Economics* (2020), 184: 104-154. (Joint with Michael Kofoed.)

[Are High-Quality PhD Programs at Universities Associated with More Undergraduate Students Pursuing PhD Study?](#) *Education Economics* (2019), 27(5):451-471. (Joint with Ronald Ehrenberg.)

[Information and the Beauty Premium in Political Elections.](#) *Contemporary Economic Policy* (2017), 35: 677-683. (Joint with Joseph Price.)

[SigTree: A Microbial Community Analysis Tool to Identify and Visualize Significantly Responsive Branches in a Phylogenetic Tree.](#) *Computational and Structural Biotechnology Journal* (2017), 15:372-378. (Joint with John Stevens, Michael Lefevre, Balasubramanian Ganesan, and Bart Weimer.)

WORKING PAPERS

[School and Crime](#) (with Ezra Karger).

[Parental and Student Time Use Around the Academic Year](#) (with Benjamin Cowan and Jeffrey Swigert). Also available as [NBER Working Paper 31177](#).

[First Generation College Students and Peer Effects](#) (with Michael Kofoed).

WORKS IN PROGRESS

[The Effects of School and Non-school Resources on Student Outcomes](#) (with Ezra Karger and Sarah Komisarow).

[The True Costs of Children](#) (with Ezra Karger).

OTHER WRITING

[Moms Lose Significant Sleep and Free Time During Kids' School Year, New Study Finds.](#) *The Conversation*, 2023. (Joint with Benjamin Cowan and Jeffrey Swigert.)

[Taking Advanced Placement Courses but Not the Exam.](#) *Metro Atlanta Policy Lab for Education, Georgia Policy Labs*, 2020. (Joint with Ishtiaque Fazlul and Jonathan Smith.)

[Post-Secondary Financial Aid Foundational Report: 2013-14 to 2018-19.](#) *Child*

& Family Policy Lab, Georgia Policy Labs, 2020.

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| PRESENTATIONS | 2024 (including scheduled): ASSA Meetings | |
| | 2023 (including scheduled): ifo Center for the Economics of Education, AEFPP Meetings, APPAM Meetings | |
| | 2022: AEFPP Meetings, Atlanta Fed Southeastern Micro Labor Workshop, Mississippi State University, NBER Spring Education Meeting, NBER Spring Children's Meeting, University of Connecticut, University of South Carolina, APPAM Meetings (by coauthor), Southern Meetings, University of Mississippi (canceled-sickness) | |
| | 2021: Mississippi State University Ag Econ, AEFPP Meetings, Southern Meetings | |
| | 2020: Mississippi State University, Southern Utah University, Ryerson University, San Diego State University, AEFPP Meetings (two presentations by coauthors), Western Meetings (by coauthor), Georgia Policy Labs CFPL Equitable Access Webinar (panelist), APPAM Meetings (poster; and presentation by coauthor), Southern Meetings | |
| | 2019: AEFPP Meetings, Georgia State University Brownbag, European Association of Labour Economists Annual Conference (by coauthor), Georgia State University Ph.D. Seminar | |
| | 2018: Ohio State University Georgia State University MAPLE | |
| | 2017: Cornell University | |
| | 2016: AEFPP Meetings, Midwestern Economic Association/SOLE, Southern Meetings (by coauthor) | |
| | 2015: Cornell University Economics of Education Meeting, Cornell University Labor Work in Progress Seminar, Southern Meetings | |
| TEACHING | 2014: Cornell University Economics of Education Meeting, Brigham Young University Graduate Student Conference, Utah State University, Cornell University Economics of Education Meeting | |
| | Instructor (including scheduled): | |
| | Principles of Microeconomics, Miss. St. | S2021, F2021 (x2), S2022 |
| | F2022 (x2), S2023, F2023 (x2) | |
| | Intermediate Microeconomics, Miss. St. | F2020 (x2), S2021, S2022 |
| | S2023, S2024 (x2) | |
| | Data Analytics Internship in Athletics, Miss. St. | S2023 |

Teaching Assistant:

Econ. Analysis of the University, Cornell, Ehrenberg F2014, F2016, F17
Introductory Microeconomics, Cornell, Wissink F2013, S2014

PROFESSIONAL
SERVICE

Advising:

Ph.D. Committee Member, Haoyang Xiong, Miss. St. 2022
Initial Placement: Assistant Prof. of Finance, Montana St. Univ.

Department:

Seminar Series Co-Organizer, Miss. St. 2022-
Journal Ranking Committee, Miss. St. 2022-
Hiring Committee, Miss. St. 2020-21, 2022
Interview Committee, Miss. St. 2020-21
Applied Economics Research Group, Founder and 2021-
Organizer, Miss. St.

Referee:

Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Public Economics, Economics
of Education Review (8), Journal of Policy Analysis and Management,
Education Finance and Policy (5), ILR Review, B.E. Journal of Economic
Analysis and Policy, Southern Economic Journal, Contemporary Eco-
nomic Policy

Conference Session Chair:

APPAM 2023 (scheduled)
AEFP 2021, 2022
Southern Meetings 2021

Conference Discussant:

Southern Meetings 2015, 2018 (x2), 2021 (x2), 2022
Midwestern Meetings 2016

Helping Candidates Prepare for Job Market:

Association for Mentoring & Inclusion in Economics (AMIE) 2021, 2022

ATTENDANCE AT
INVITED
CONFERENCES

NBER Summer Institute, Education 2015–2017, 2019–2023
NBER Spring Education Meeting 2019, 2021–2023
NBER Spring Childrens Meeting 2022
NBER Fall Education Meeting 2015–2022
NBER Spring Childrens and Education Meeting 2017–2018

MEDIA

Newspaper references: [Slate](#) (May 10, 2023).

TV Interviews: WTVA Mississippi (February 11, 2022; February 25, 2022;
April 29, 2022); Mississippi State University College of Business Dividends
Show (March 2021).

Newspaper Interviews: KHN (March 22, 2021).

Other: My Stata tips were featured in [Stata News 37-3](#).

AWARDS

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| Price Theory Summer Camp | |
| The Becker Friedman Institute, University of Chicago | 2016 |
| The Ernest Liu Family Outstanding Teaching Award | |
| Field of Economics, Cornell University | 2014 |
| Sage Fellowship | |
| Field of Economics, Cornell University | 2012-13 |
| Vice President For Research Fellowship | |
| School of Graduate Studies, Utah State University | 2011-12 |
| National Advisory Board Scholarship | |
| School of Business, Utah State University | 2008-09, 2010-11 |
| Seely-Hinckley Scholarship | |
| School of Business, Utah State University | 2009-10 |
| Presidential Scholarship | |
| Utah State University | 2004-05, 2008-10 |
| Eagle Scout Award | 2002 |

OTHER EXPERIENCE

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| Research Assistant: | |
| Cornell: Ron Ehrenberg | Summer 14, Spring 15-Summer 16, Summer 18 |
| Cornell: Nick Sanders | Spring-Summer 2017 |
| Professional: | |
| Statistics Intern, Autoliv, Ogden, UT | Summer 2011 |
| Statistics Intern, National Ag. Statistical Service, SLC, UT | Summer '10 |

PROGRAMMING

Stata, R, \LaTeX , Qualtrics, Mechanical Turk, web scraping

Developed *SigTree*, an R package (with John Stevens), available at [CRAN](#)

Data visualization: see <http://www.toddrjones.com/dataviz>

Quick Stata tips: see <https://twitter.com/toddrjones/status/1560330744089546752>

OTHER

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| Citizenship: USA | |
| Languages: Swedish, Chinese (Basic) | |
| Latter-day Saint Student Association, Advisor, Miss. St. University | 2022– |