# Todd R. Jones

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PRIMARY POSITION	Assistant Professor of Economics, Mississippi State University	2020–
OTHER Positions	IZA Research Affiliate EdWorkingPapers Invited Contributor Postdoc, Georgia Policy Labs, Georgia State University  20	2021– 2020– 018–2020
EDUCATION	Ph.D., Economics, Cornell University M.A., Economics, Cornell University M.S., Statistics, Utah State University B.A., Economics, Utah State University, Summa Cum Laude Minors: Mathematics, Chinese Chinese Language, Shanghai JiaoTong University, China	2018 2016 2012 2011 2007
FIELDS	Applied Microeconomics, Economics of Education, Labor Economics	
PUBLICATIONS	The Effects of Financial Aid Loss on Student Persistence and Graduation: A Multi-Dimensional Regression Discontinuity Approach. Education Finance and Policy (Forthcoming). (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), Volume 84, 102155. (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, 104154. (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**

The Academic Origins of Economics Faculty (with Arielle Sloan.) Available as EdWorkingPaper 20-324. Submitted.

The Graduate School Origins of Finance Faculty (with Haoyang Xiong). Submitted.

## WORKS IN Progress

Education and Longevity in Early 20th Century Mississippi (with Kendall Kennedy and Joseph Price).

Changes in Parental Gender Preference in the United States: Evidence from 1830-1940 (with Matthew Millington and Joseph Price).

First Generation Students and Peer Effects (with Michael Kofoed).

Reporting of Suspected Child Maltreatment During Pre-Kindergarten (with Rodrigo Aranda Balcazar and Thomas Goldring).

The Graduate School Origins of Faculty Across Disciplines (with Will Davis and Haoyang Xiong).

OTHER WRITING 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.

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

2022 (including planned): University of Mississippi

2021: Mississippi State University Ag Econ, AEFP Meetings, Southerns Meetings

2020: Mississippi State University, Southern Utah University, Ryerson University, San Diego State University, AEFP Meetings (two presentations by coauthors), Westerns Meetings (by coauthor), Georgia Policy Labs CFPL Equitable Access Webinar (panelist), APPAM Meetings (poster; and seminar by coauthor), Southerns Meetings

2019: AEFP 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: AEFP Meetings, Midwestern Economic Association/SOLE, Southerns Meetings (by coauthor)

2015: Cornell University Economics of Education Meeting, Cornell University Labor Work in Progress Seminar, Southerns Meetings

2014: Cornell University Economics of Education Meeting, Brigham Young University Graduate Student Conference, Utah State University, Cornell University Economics of Education Meeting

#### TEACHING Instructor:

Miss. St: Principles of Microeconomics	Spring 2021, Fall 2021 (x2),
Spring 2022	-
Miss. St: Intermediate Microeconomics	Fall 2020 (x2), Spring 2021,
Spring 2022	

#### Teaching Assistant:

Utah State University

Cornell: Econ. Analysis of the University, Ehrenberg Fall 2014, '16, '17 Cornell: Introductory Microeconomics, Wissink Fall 2013, Spring 2014

### AWARDS 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	

2004-05, 2008-10

Eagle Scout Award

Professional

Department:

SERVICE Hiring Committee, Miss. St.

2020-21

2002

Interview Committee, Miss. St.

2020-21

Referee:

Journal of Human Resources, Economics of Education Review (7), Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Education Finance and Policy

(3), ILR Review, B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy

Conference Session Chair:

Southerns Meetings 2021

AEFP 2021

**Conference Discussant:** 

Southerns Meetings 2015, 2018, 2021 (x2)

Midwestern Meetings 2016

Attendance at NBER Spring Economics of Education Meeting 2019, 2021

INVITED NBER Summer Institute, Economics of Education 2015–2017, 2019–2021 CONFERENCES NBER Fall Economics of Education Meeting 2015–2021

NBER Spring Children's and Economics of Education Meeting 2017–2018

OTHER Research Assistant:

EXPERIENCE 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 R, Stata, Python, 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

Personal Citizenship: USA

Languages: Swedish, Chinese (Basic)

REFERENCES Michael Lovenheim, Ronald Ehrenberg, Daniel Kreisman