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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 | Changes in Parental Gender Preference in the United States: Evidence from 1850-2019 (with Matthew Millington and Joseph Price). <i>Accepted, Journal of Population Economics</i> |
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[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

[The Academic Origins of Economics Faculty](#) (with Arielle Sloan.) Prior version available as IZA Working Paper 14965. *Revised and Resubmitted to Journal of Economic Education.*

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

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

WORKS IN
PROGRESS

[Teenage Traffic Accidents and Fatalities Around the Academic Year](#) (with Kendall Kennedy).

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

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

2023: ifo Center for the Economics of Education, AEFPP Meetings

2022: AEFM 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 (by coauthor), Southern Meetings, University of Mississippi (canceled-sickness)

2021: Mississippi State University Ag Econ, AEFM Meetings, Southern Meetings

2020: Mississippi State University, Southern Utah University, Ryerson University, San Diego State University, AEFM 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: AEFM 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: AEFM 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

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

TEACHING

Instructor (including planned):

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| Principles of Microeconomics, Miss. St. | Spring 2021, Fall 2021 (x2), Spring 2022, Fall 2022 (x2), Spring 2023, Fall 2023 (x2) |
| Intermediate Microeconomics, Miss. St. | Fall 2020 (x2), Spring 2021, Spring 2022, Spring 2023 |
| Data Analytics Internship in Athletics, Miss. St. | Spring 2023 |

Teaching Assistant:

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| Econ. Analysis of the University, Cornell, Ehrenberg | Fall 2014, F16, F17 |
| Introductory Microeconomics, Cornell, Wissink | Fall 2013, Spring 2014 |

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Advising:

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

Department:

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| 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 Organizer, Miss. St. | 2021- |

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 Economic Policy

Conference Session Chair:

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| AEFP | 2021, 2022 |
| Southerns Meetings | 2021 |

Conference Discussant:

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| Southerns 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

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| ATTENDANCE AT | NBER Spring Education Meeting | 2019, 2021–2022, 2023 |
| INVITED | NBER Summer Institute, Education | 2015–2017, 2019–2022 |
| CONFERENCES | NBER Spring Childrens Meeting | 2022 |
| | NBER Fall Education Meeting | 2015–2021, 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 |

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| | 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 | 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 | R, Stata, L ^A T _E X, Qualtrics, Mechanical Turk, web scraping | |
| | Developed <i>SigTree</i> , 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 | Citizenship: USA | |
| | Languages: Swedish, Chinese (Basic) | |
| | LDSSA Advisor, Mississippi State University, 2022– | |
| REFERENCES | Michael Lovenheim, Ronald Ehrenberg, Daniel Kreisman | |