

# Tyler Powell

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## EDUCATION

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### Michigan State University

*Ph.D. in Economics*

*Expected 2026*

*M.A. in Economics*

*2023*

### Case Western Reserve University

*B.A. in Economics, Minors: Mathematics and History*

*2018*

## FIELDS OF INTEREST

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Labor Economics, Economics of Education, Public Economics

## WORKING PAPERS

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Taking the Long Way Home: The Effects of Bus Commutes on Student Achievement (**Job Market Paper**)

Trade-offs from Race-Neutral Affirmative Action: Evidence from Academically Selective High Schools (with Rene Crespín)

## RESEARCH

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Rogers, Salem, Tyler Powell, Katharine O. Strunk, and Bryant G. Hopkins (2025). *Viral Change: Trends in Michigan Teacher Attrition and Mobility before and during the COVID-19 Pandemic*. Education Finance and Policy. [Link](#)

Lin, Stephen, Kaede Johnson, and Tyler Powell (2020). *Why Has Wage Growth Been Subdued in the Advanced Foreign Economies?* FEDS Notes. Washington: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. [Link](#)

de Francisco, Eva, Joaquin Garcia-Cabo, and Tyler Powell (2020). *Stuck at home? The drag of homeownership on earnings after job separation* FEDS Notes. Washington: Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. [Link](#)

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

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Effects of Early Middle College on Educational Attainment

Home District Preference and Implications for Equity: Evidence from Teachers in Michigan (with Salem Rogers)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Instructor

*PPL 805: Microeconomic Theory, MSU*

*Fall 2024*

### Graduate Teaching Assistant

*EC 301: Intermediate Microeconomics, MSU (Head TA)*

*Spring 2022*

*EC 302: Intermediate Macroeconomics, MSU*

*Fall 2021*

### Teaching Assistant

*ECON 326: Econometrics, CWRU*

*Fall 2017–Spring 2018*

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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### Brookings Institution

*Research Analyst, Hutchins Center on Fiscal and Monetary Policy*

*June 2020 – July 2021*

### Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

*Research Assistant, Division of International Finance, Advanced Foreign Economies Section*

*June 2018 – June 2020*

## PRESENTATIONS

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### Conference Presentations

<i>Midwest Economics of Education</i>	<i>October 2025</i>
<i>Midwest Economics Association</i>	<i>March 2025</i>
<i>Association for Education Finance and Policy</i>	<i>March 2025</i>
<i>Association for Education Finance and Policy</i>	<i>March 2024</i>
<i>Economic History Association</i>	<i>September 2019</i>

### Guest Lectures

<i>ECON 181: Data Analysis and Financial Literacy in R, Howard University</i>	<i>March 2019</i>
<i>ECON 364: Economics of Business Strategy, CWRU</i>	<i>April 2018</i>

## DEPARTMENT SERVICE

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MSU Economics Graduate Student Organization, President, 2024-2025  
MSU Economics Department, Undergraduate Teaching Assistant Interviewer, Spring 2024  
MSU Economics Graduate Student Organization, Executive Member, 2023-2024

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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MSU Graduate School Research Enhancement Award, 2024  
Scholarship of Undergraduate Teaching and Learning (SUTL) Fellowship, 2023-2024  
Michigan State Interdisciplinary Training in Education and Social Science Fellowship, 2022-2025  
SOURCE Summer Research Fellowship, 2017

## NON-ACADEMIC WRITING

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### Hutchins Center on Fiscal and Monetary Policy Blog Posts

What does the Federal Reserve mean when it talks about tapering? [Link](#)  
Why is the New Zealand government telling its central bank to focus on rising house prices? [Link](#)  
What is potential GDP, and why is it so controversial right now? [Link](#)  
Survey of academic and market observers gives high marks to Fed communications [Link](#)  
What are inflation expectations? Why do they matter? [Link](#)  
What do changes in the Fed's longer-run goals and monetary strategy statement mean? [Link](#)  
How is the U.S. Postal Service governed and funded? [Link](#)  
Do costs outweigh benefits of subsidizing firms to move to a county? [Link](#)

## PROGRAMMING SKILLS

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Stata, R, Matlab, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X

## REFERENCES

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