

# 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)

## PUBLICATIONS

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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

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

### Guest Lectures

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

## 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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