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Education

Ph.D. in Economics, SUNY Binghamton, expected 2024

M.A. in Economics, SUNY Binghamton, 2021

M.Sc. (Distinction) in Economics (with Distinction), University of the West Indies, 2016

B.A. (Honors) in Economics and Production & Operations Management, University of Technology, 2014

Research Fields

Economics of Education, Health Economics, Labor Economics, Development Economics

Teaching Interests

Microeconomics, Economics of Education, Labor Economics, Development Economics, Statistics

Working Papers

- “Phasing Out Jamaica’s Shift System: More Instructional Hours, Better High-Stakes Test Scores” (*Job Market Paper*)
- “COVID-19 Vaccine and Risk-taking: Evidence of the Peltzman Effect,” with Solomon Polachek (*R&R at Journal of Risk and Uncertainty*)

Teaching Experience

- **Instructor**

At Binghamton University:

- Economics of Poverty and Discrimination (Undergraduate), Sum2023 (Online)

At University of the West Indies:

- Economic Development (Graduate), Fall2019
- Introductory Statistics (Undergraduate), Sum2016, Fall2016, Sum2017, Sum2018
- Finance and Development (Undergraduate), Spr2017, Sum2018, Spr2019

- **Teaching Assistant**

At Binghamton University:

- Labor Economics (Undergraduate), Fall2019, Spr2020, Fall2020, Fall2021, Spr2022
- Economics of Education (Undergraduate), Spr2023
- Gender and Economic Development (Undergraduate), Fall2022, Spr2023, Fall2023
- Monetary Economics (Undergraduate), Spr2021

Conference and Workshops

West Indies Economic Conference (WECON), 2023

Women in Economics Mentoring Workshop at Boston University, 2021

Research Employment

Lead Research Officer for Economics, Caribbean Policy Research Institute (CAPRI), 2016-2018

Research Intern with Caribbean Regional Technical Assistance (CARTAC), 2015

Technical Reports & News Article

- "Improving Tax Compliance in Jamaica: A More Appropriate Tax Structure," published by the Caribbean Policy Research Institute, 2018
- "The Economic Value of the Jamaican Diaspora," published by the Caribbean Policy Research Institute, 2017
- "The Economic Value of CARICOM," published by the Caribbean Policy Research Institute, 2017
- "Risk Based Supervision of Insurance: A review of small states experience against the Solvency II directive," prepared for the IMF Caribbean Regional Technical Assistance Centre (CARTAC)
- "Gaining Momentum, the Jamaican Economy," published by the Jamaican Gleaner
- "Before 2016: A Stagnating Economy - CAPRI's Review of Jamaica's Economy and Projections," published by the Jamaican Gleaner, 2016. Can be accessed at: <http://jamaica-gleaner.com/article/news/20161127/2016-stagnating-economy-capris-review-jamaicas-economy-and-projections>
- "Understanding the Border Wall Funding Act," published by the Jamaican Gleaner. Can be accessed at: <http://jamaica-gleaner.com/article/news/20170522/understanding-border-wall-funding-act>

Service

Senator of the Economics Graduate Student Organization (GSO), Binghamton University, 2020-2021

Mentor for the UWI League of Future Economics mentorship programme, 2018

Awards and Scholarships

Provost Doctoral Summer Fellowship at Binghamton University, 2019-2024

Graduate Student Assistantship, Binghamton Department of Economics, 2019-2024

Best Econometrics Student in the M.S. in Economics, University of the West Indies, 2016

Tuition Scholarship and Teaching Assistantship, University of the West Indies, 2014-2016.

Recipient of the Gem award, University of Technology, 2014

References

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