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Education

Ph.D., Economics, Cornell University, 2013
M.A., Economics, Cornell University, 2012
B.A., Economics and Mathematics, Vanderbilt University, 2007

Research and teaching fields

Labor Economics, Population and Family Economics, Economics of Poverty and Inequality

Academic positions and affiliations

Teaching Associate Professor, University of North Carolina, 2023–present
Teaching Assistant Professor, University of North Carolina, 2021–2022
Assistant Professor, Washington and Lee University, 2015–2021
Core Faculty Member, Shepherd Program for the Interdisciplinary Study of Poverty and Human Capability, 2018–2021
Affiliate Faculty Member, Shepherd Program for the Interdisciplinary Study of Poverty and Human Capability, 2014–2018
Visiting Assistant Professor, Washington and Lee University, 2013–2015

Publications

“Birth Order and the Decline in College Completion among the Baby Boom Generation,” with Katharine L. Shester, *Economic Inquiry*, 2022, vol. 60, pp. 1626–1643.
“Local Changes in Intergenerational Mobility,” with Katharine L. Shester, *Labour Economics*, forthcoming.
“A Rank-Based Measure of Educational Assortative Mating,” *Applied Economics Letters*, 2021, vol. 28, pp. 1031–1035.
“Concrete Measures: The Rise of Public Housing and Changes in Young Single Motherhood in the U.S.,” with Katharine L. Shester and Samuel K. Allen, *Journal of Population Economics*, 2019, vol. 32, pp. 369–418.
“Schooling, marriage, and age at first birth in Madagascar,” with Peter J. Glick and David E. Sahn, *Population Studies*, 2015, vol. 69, pp. 219–236.

Working paper

“Accounting for Increasing Earnings Volatility in the United States,” May 2017.

Works in progress

“Large cohorts are different: new evidence on cohort size and education,” with Katharine L. Shester.

“Advising in Economics Ph.D. Programs,” with A. Joseph Guse.

Other published work

“External Capabilities,” with James E. Foster, in *Arguments for a Better World: Essays in Honor of Amartya Sen*, K. Basu and R. Kanbur, eds., Oxford University Press, 2009.

Teaching experience

University of North Carolina

Introduction to Data Science and Econometrics

Econometrics

Washington and Lee University

Advanced Labor Economics

Poverty and Inequality in the United States

Introduction to Economics

Principles of Macroeconomics

Principles of Microeconomics

Applied Statistics

Presentations of research

“The Baby Boom and Educational Attainment,” with Katharine L. Shester

European Association of Labour Economists / Society of Labor Economists / Asian &

Australasian Society of Labour Economics World Conference, 2020

Population Association of America Annual Meeting, 2020

Economic History Association Annual Meeting (Atlanta), 2019

“Accounting for Changes in Intergenerational Mobility,” with Katharine L. Shester

Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Washington, D.C.), 2018

“Advising in Economics Ph.D. Programs,” with A. Joseph Guse

Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Washington, D.C.), 2018

“Assortative Mating and Intergenerational Persistence of Schooling and Earnings”

Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (New Orleans), 2015

Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting (Seattle), 2016

“Accounting for Increasing Earnings Volatility in the United States”

Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Washington, D.C.), 2016

Referee service

European Journal of Comparative Economics, Journal of Economic Education, Population Studies

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