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EDUCATION

PhD, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, 2011
MA, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, 2008
BA, Wake Forest University, Winston-Salem, NC, 2005
Cum Laude

ACADEMIC POSITIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

2017- Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Washington and Lee University
2016- Core Faculty Member, Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies, Washington and Lee University
2016- Core Faculty Member, Shepherd Program for the Interdisciplinary Study of Poverty and Human Capability, Washington and Lee University
2013- Affiliate Faculty Member, Shepherd Program for the Interdisciplinary Study of Poverty and Human Capability, Washington and Lee University
2011-2017 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Washington and Lee University

RESEARCH AND TEACHING FIELDS

Economic History, Labor Economics, Urban Economics

HONORS AND FELLOWSHIPS

Washington and Lee University, Nominee for H. Hiter Harris III Rising Star Award, 2016
Washington and Lee University, Lenfest Summer Fellowship, 2012-2017
Economic History Association, *Allan Nevins Prize* for the outstanding dissertation in U.S. or Canadian economic history, 2011
Vanderbilt University, College of Arts and Science, *Social Science Dissertation Fellowship*, 2010-2011
Vanderbilt University, Department of Economics, *Rendigs Fels Award for Excellence in Teaching*, 2009
Vanderbilt University, Council of Economic Graduate Students, Research Grant, 2009
Vanderbilt University, Department of Economics, *Kirk Dornbush Research Assistantship*, 2008
Vanderbilt University, Department of Economics, *Kirk Dornbush Summer Research Award*, 2007
Vanderbilt University, Department of Economics, Graduate Fellowship/Assistantship, 2005-2010
Wake Forest University, *Presidential Scholarship*, 2001-2005

Wake Forest University, *National Merit Scholarship*, 2001-2005

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Washington and Lee University

Principles of Microeconomics (Fall 2011, Winter 2012, Fall 2012, Winter 2014, Fall 2015, Winter 2016, Fall 2016)

American Economic History (Winter 2012, Fall 2013, Fall 2017)

Urban Economics (Winter 2015, Winter 2016, Winter 2017)

Women in the Economy (Fall 2015, Fall 2017)

Senior Economics Capstone (Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Winter 2014, Winter 2015, Fall 2016)

Vanderbilt University, Teaching Assistant

Economic History, Labor Economics, Urban Economics, Money and Banking, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Principles of Microeconomics

PUBLISHED PAPERS

“The Local Economic Effects of Public Housing in the United States, 1940-1970.” *The Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 73, No. 4 (December 2013): 978-1016.

“Slum Clearance and Urban Renewal in the United States,” (with William J. Collins). *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, Vol. 5, No. 1 (January 2013): 239-73. Revised version of NBER Working Paper 17458.

“American Public Housing’s Origins and Effects.” *The Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 72, No. 02 (June 2012): 490-493.

PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

“Concrete Measures: The Rise of Public Housing and Changes in the Fertility and Marriage Decisions of Young Women in the U.S.” (with Samuel K. Allen and Christopher Handy)

WORKING PAPERS

“Residential Segregation and Infant Health, 1970-2000” (with Gregory T. Niemesh)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“The Economic Effects of the Urban Development Action Grant Program” (with A. Joseph Guse)

“Accounting for Changes in Intergenerational Mobility” (with Christopher Handy)

“The Vietnam Draft and Women’s Educational Attainment” (with Chris Handy)

BOOK REVIEWS AND OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Review of *Debtor Nation: The History of America in Red Ink*, by Louis Hyman. Distributed by www.eh.net on November 4, 2011.

Review of *Well Worth Saving: How the New Deal Safeguarded Home Ownership*, by Price Fishback, Jonathan Rose, and Kenneth Snowden. *Journal of American History* (2014) 101 (3): 974-975.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Referee for:

National Science Foundation, Journal of Urban Economics, Journal of Economic History, Explorations in Economic History, The Independent Review

Discussant of others' research:

Economic History Association Meetings, 2015, 2017
Southern Economic Association Meetings, 2011, 2014, 2015
American Economic Association Meetings, 2012

Standing Committee on Education in Economic History, Economic History Association
Member, 2014-2016
Chair, 2016-2017

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Faculty Advisor, CBR Project on Affordable Housing in the Rockbridge County Area, 2011-2012

Member, Institutional Review Board, 2012-2013

Member, Spring Term Coordinating Committee, 2013-2014

Member, Women, Gender, and Sexuality Studies Advisory Board, 2013 -

Co-Faculty Advisor, LAUNCH, 2013 -

Member, Faculty Executive Committee, 2015-2017

Faculty Advisor, Alpha Delta Pi Sorority, 2016-

Team Captain, Williams School Strategic Planning, 2016-2017

Member, Community Engagement and Service Learning Advisory Committee, 2017-

Member, University Strategic Planning Committee, 2017-

Chair, Economics Department Committee on Undergraduate Women in Economics, 2014-

PRESENTATIONS OF RESEARCH

Allied Social Science Association Meetings (San Francisco, CA), 2009

Economic History Association Meetings (Tucson, AZ), 2009

Southern Economic Association Meetings (San Antonio, TX), 2009

Economic History Association Meetings (Boston, MA), 2011

Southern Economic Association Meetings (Washington, DC), 2011

Davidson College (Davidson, NC), 2012

Appalachian Spring World History Conference (Boone, NC), 2012
Cliometrics Society Conference (Tucson, AZ), 2012
Yale Economic History Seminar (New Haven, CT), 2012
Wake Forest University (Winston Salem, NC), 2012
Washington, DC Economic History Seminar (Washington, DC), 2012
Southern Economic Association Meetings (Atlanta, GA), 2014
Davidson College (Davidson, NC), 2015
AALAC Economic History Conference (Middlebury, VT), 2015
Southern Economic Association Meetings (New Orleans), 2015
Population Association of America Meetings (Washington, DC), 2016

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