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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, Massachusetts  
Assistant Professor of Economics, 2022-Present

## EDUCATION

University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, Indiana  
Ph.D. in Economics, 2017 – 2022  
Thesis: "The Economics of Life and Death"  
M.A. in Economics, 2017 – 2019  
University of Maryland, Baltimore County (UMBC), Baltimore, Maryland  
B.S. in Financial Economics, 2012 – 2016  
B.A. in Mathematics, 2012 – 2016  
*Phi Beta Kappa, Magna Cum Laude*

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Development Economics, Labor Economics, Population Economics, Economic History

## PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

"Agricultural Technological Change, Female Earnings, and Fertility: Evidence from Brazil"  
*Economic Journal (January, 2025)*  
"Every Day is Earth Day: Evidence on the Long-term Impact of Environmental Activism" (with Daniel Hungerman). *AEJ: Applied Economics (January, 2023)*

## WORKING PAPERS

"Blue Collar Booms and American Mortality" (with Paul Shaloka)  
"Religion and Demography: Papal Influences on Fertility" (With Lakshmi Iyer and Paloma Moyano)

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Industrialization, Religion, and Fertility Decline in the 1800s France"  
"Economic Outcomes of the Prosperity Gospel: Evidence from a Randomized Religious Intervention in Kenya" (With David Murphy, Samuel Bird, and Susan Kilonzo) *Field Work Complete*  
"Rugged Individualism and Mortality" (With Samuel Bazzi, Martin Fiszbein, and Mesay Gebresilasse)  
"Improving the Working Conditions of Domestic Workers in Brazil", *JPAL JOI Brazil Funded Initiative, Field Work in Progress*  
"Can Human Capital Investments Lower Coercive Institutions? Evidence from US History"

## CONFERENCES AND INVITED PRESENTATIONS

**2024:** *Brown University Growth Lab*

**2023:** *Southern Economic Association; LAC Development Economics Conference; College of the Holy Cross; LAC Public and Labor Conference (Invited Discussant)*

**2022:** *University of Missouri; NBER Gender in the Economy SI 2022 (Invited Participant); 19<sup>th</sup> World Economic History Congress; Eastern Economic Association Conference; College of the Holy Cross; University of Akron*

**2021:** *Development Day Annual Conference; North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC); Structural Transformation and Economic Growth (STEG) First Annual Conference*

**2020:** *Health, History, Demography & Development (H2D2)*

**2017:** *Public Choice Society Meetings*

**2015:** *Undergraduate Research and Creative Achievement Day (URCAD)*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### **College of the Holy Cross**

Population Economics: Fall 2023 (Evaluations: 4/4), Spring 2023 (Evaluations: 4/4)

Quantitative Microeconomics: Spring 2024 (Evaluations: 4/4), Spring 2023 (Evaluations: 4/4)

Statistics: Spring 2024 (Evaluations: 4/4), Fall 2022 (Evaluations: 4/4)

### **University of Notre Dame, Department of Economics**

Instructor of Record: Introduction to Linear Regression: Fall 2021 (Evaluations: 5/5)

Instructor of Record: Tutorial Section for Statistics for Economics: Spring 2021 (Evaluations: 5/5)

Teaching Assistant: Principles of Macroeconomics, 2017– 2018

## ADVISING

### **College of the Holy Cross**

Meghan Webber (Class of 2025), College Honors Thesis Adviser 2024-2025

Nicholas Lupone (Class of 2024), College Honors Thesis Adviser 2023-2024

## HONORS, SCHOLARSHIPS, GRANTS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Research Associates Program (\$825.00), J.D. Power Center for Liberal Arts in the World, 2024

Research Associates Program (\$783.75), J.D. Power Center for Liberal Arts in the World, 2022

JOI Brazil Travel Grant (\$3,510.24), Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), 2022

Kellogg Conference Travel Grant (\$1,250), Kellogg Institute for International Studies, 2022

ISLA Research Grant (\$3,500), University of Notre Dame, 2020

Kellogg Doctoral Student Affiliate, University of Notre Dame, 2020-2022

Graduate Assistantship, University of Notre Dame, 2017–2022

Sondheim Public Affairs Scholar, UMBC, 2012 – 2016

Honors College, UMBC, 2012 – 2016

## SERVICE TO THE PROFESSION

### **Referee**

*Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*

**Conference Reviewer**

*2023 Annual Meeting of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association*

*2022 Annual Meeting of the Agricultural and Applied Economics Association*

**SERVICE TO THE UNIVERSITY**

**College of the Holy Cross**

Economics Search Committee, 2023-24

Weiss Summer Research Program, 2023

Awards Committee, 2022-2023

**University of Notre Dame**

Fulbright Award Campus Committee, 2021

Truman Scholarship Campus Committee, 2021

Fulbright Award Campus Committee, 2020

**UMBC**

Sondheim Scholar Selection Panel, 2016

**OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE**

Business Management Analyst at *Northrop Grumman*, Linthicum, Maryland, USA, 2016– 2017

**SKILLS**

Stata, MATLAB, Julia, ArcGIS