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EDUCATION

Duke University PhD in Economics Certificate in College Teaching MA in Economics (non-terminal)	Durham, NC Expected May 2019 2016
University of Oxford, St. Antony's College MSc in Economics for Development	Oxford, England 2011
University of Florida BA in Political Science Minor in Economics; Certificate in International Relations	Gainesville, FL 2007

RESEARCH

Working Papers:

- Property Rights, Place-Based Policies, and Economic Development (job market paper)
- The Impact of LinkedIn on Disconnected Young Work-Seekers: Evidence from South Africa – with Eric Johnson, Robert Garlick, Patrick Shaw, and Marissa Gargano
- Poverty in Rural America: The Black-White Differential in Human Capital Accumulation
- The Role of Targeted Cash Transfers in Consumption Smoothing of Non-Recipient Households: Evidence from Extended Family Networks in South Africa

Works in Progress:

- Public Procurement and Small and Medium-Sized Enterprises: Evidence from Belgian Experiments – with Samantha Bielen, Peter Grajzl, and Wim Marneffe
- Do Worker Non-cognitive Skills affect Firm Outcomes? – with Robert Garlick, Lukas Hensel, Kate Orkin, and Eliana Carranza
- Casino Gaming Revenue Transfers and Educational Performance

Fieldwork:

- **Kenya (FSD-Kenya):** Impact Evaluation of Hunger Safety Net Programme 2012
- **South Africa (Duke University and RTI International):** Labor market interventions 2015, 2016

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

Kenan Institute for Ethics Graduate Fellowship	2017-2018
Selected for Price Theory Summer Camp at University of Chicago	2017
Henry G. Grabowski Competitive Summer Funding Fellowship	2017
Frank T. deVyver Economics Endowment Fund Award	2017
CSWEP Fellowship, American Economic Association (AEA)	2016
Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship Honorable Mention	2012, 2013

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GRANTS

Private Enterprise Development in Low-Income Countries (PEDL) Exploratory Research Grant: 2016

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS AND INVITED TALKS

NBER Project on the Economics of Indigenous Peoples and Institutions	2018
Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Conference (DC)	2018
Midwest Economics Association Conference (Ohio), presenter and discussant	2017
Census Bureau's Center for Economic Studies Seminar Series (DC)	2017
International Population Conference (Cape Town, South Africa)	2017
Virginia Military Institute/Washington and Lee Seminar Series (Virginia)	2017

TEACHING

Duke University

Fellow:	Preparing Future Faculty	2018-2019
Instructor of Record:	ECON 890 Stata (PhD level)	2018
Instructor of Record:	Applied Microeconomics (Lifelong Learning Institute)	2017
Certification:	Certificate in College Teaching	2016-2017

IZA in Lusaka, Zambia

Teaching Assistant:	Growth and Labour Markets in Low Income Countries	2016
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Cornell University

Teaching Assistant:	PAM 3100 Multiple Regression Analysis (undergraduate level)	2013
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International Schools

Instructor:	English in Beijing, China (primary school through PhD level)	2008
Instructor:	English and mathematics in South Africa (primary school level)	2008
Instructor:	English in Urubamba, Perú (primary school level)	2004

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

RTI International

Independent Contractor – Economics Research Consultant	Durham, NC
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2015-present

Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis

CSWEP Fellow in the Center for Indian Country Development	Minneapolis, MN
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Summer 2016

Cornell University, Department of Economics

Research Support Specialist – Dr. Jim Berry & Dr. Damon Clark	Ithaca, New York
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2012-2013

Financial Sector Deepening (FSD) Kenya

Research Associate	Nairobi, Kenya
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2012

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Oxford Policy Management (OPM)
Economics Consultant

Oxford, England
2011

Oxford Centre for the Analysis of Resource-Rich Economies
Research Assistant – Dr. Torfinn Harding & Dr. Radek Stefanski

Oxford, England
2010-2011

University of Florida, Department of Economics
Research Assistant – Dr. Damon Clark

Gainesville, FL
2007-2009

DISCIPLINARY SERVICES

Referee services: Economics of Education Review

Planning Committee: NBER Project on the Economics of Indigenous Peoples and Institutions

ADDITIONAL QUALIFICATIONS/EXPERIENCE

IT Skills: Proficient in use of Stata, R, and LaTeX. Working knowledge of Matlab, ArcGIS, and SPSS.

Languages: English (native), Spanish (conversant)

International Study: Florida State University International Programs in Panamá City, Panamá (2006)

REFERENCES

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