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Education

Georgia State University

PhD in Economics, 2021

Fields of Study: Labor, Public, Education, and Urban & Regional

Dissertation: For the Good of the Kids: Three Essays about the Economics of Child Welfare

Committee: Tim Sass, Kevin Fortner, Carlianne Patrick, Jonathan Smith

MA in Economics, 2020

University of Kentucky

BS in Mathematical Economics, *with Honors, Summa Cum Laude*, 2015

BS in Equine Science and Management, *with Honors, Summa Cum Laude*, 2015

Research Experience

Senior Statistician, California Center for Population Research at UCLA, July 2021-Present

Graduate Research Assistant, Georgia Policy Labs, August 2018-June 2021

Graduate Research Assistant, Georgia State University, August 2016-May 2021

Research Assistant, University of Kentucky Center for Business and Economic Research, April 2015-April 2016

Undergraduate Research Assistant, University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research, May 2014-January 2015

Technical Intern, The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory, May 2014-July 2014

Teaching Experience

Instructor, Senior Capstone: Economics of Education and Work, Georgia State University, Spring 2020

Instructor, Economics of Poverty and Public Policy, Georgia State University, Spring 2019

Teaching Assistant, Community Leadership and Development Class, University of Kentucky, Fall 2012

Working Papers

“Happy 18th Birthday, Now Leave: The Hardships of Aging Out of Foster Care”

“Using Existing School Messaging Platforms to Inform Parents about their Child's Attendance”
(*with Tareena Musaddiq and Jonathan Smith*)

“Child Maltreatment Referrals and Mandatory Reporting Laws”

“Underreporting Child Maltreatment during the Pandemic: Evidence from Colorado”

“Pandemic Productivity or Something Else? Evidence from NBER Working Papers”

Policy Briefs and Other Works

- Prettyman, A. & Sass, T. R. (2021). The Impact of Virtual Summer School on Student Achievement Growth During COVID-19. *Georgia Policy Labs: Metro Atlanta Policy Lab for Education*.
- Prettyman, A. & Sass, T. R. (2020). The Efficacy of Virtual Instruction in K-12 Education: A Review of the Literature. *Georgia Policy Labs: Metro Atlanta Policy Lab for Education*.
- Musaddiq, T., Prettyman, A., & Smith, J. (2019) School Messaging Platforms and Student Attendance. *Georgia Policy Labs: Metro Atlanta Policy Lab for Education*.
- Prettyman, C. A., & Sass, T. R. (2018). Teacher quality and outcomes for students with disabilities (CALDER Policy Brief No. 11-0918-1). Washington, DC: National Center for Analysis of Longitudinal Data in Education Research.
- Prettyman, C. A. (2015). Impact of Welfare Participation during Childhood on Adult Income. *Honors Program Senior Capstone Collection*. Paper 16.
<http://uknowledge.uky.edu/honprog/16>.
- Prettyman, C.A. (2014). The Initial Phases of a Consistent Pricing System that Reflects the Online Sale Value of a Horse. *Honors Program Senior Capstone Collection*. Paper 13.
<http://uknowledge.uky.edu/honprog/13>.

Presentations

- Western Economic Association International Conference, June 2021 (virtual)
- Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Student Seminar Panel, May 2021 (virtual)
- Association for Education Finance and Policy Conference, March 2021 (virtual)
- Southern Economic Association Conference, November 2020 (virtual)
- Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Conference, November 2020 (virtual)
- Missouri Valley Economic Association Annual Meetings, October 2020 (virtual)
- Western Economic Association International Graduate Student Workshop, June 2020 (virtual)
- Western Economic Association International Conference, June 2020 (virtual)
- Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Regional Student Conference, April 2020 (cancelled)
- Association for Education Finance and Policy Conference, March 2020 (virtual)
- Metro Atlanta Policy Lab for Education Community Advisory Summit, Atlanta, GA, January 2020
- American Economic Association Conference, San Diego, CA, January 2020
- Association for Education Finance and Policy Conference, Kansas City, MO, March 2019

Honors, Awards, & Fellowships

- Jack Blinksilver Scholarship in Economics (\$1,000), April 2021
- Outstanding Graduate Assistant Award (\$1,000), April 2021
- Georgia State University Silver Student Leadership Certificate, April 2021
- Georgia State University 3 Minute Thesis Finalist, March 2021
- Mastering Online Teaching: Fundamentals of Course Design and Delivery, August 2020
- Mastering Online Teaching: GTA Course Facilitation, August 2020
- Second Century Initiative Fellow (\$6,000), August 2016-May 2020
- Mastering Online Teaching, July 2019

Urban Fellows Program, August 2018-May 2019
The Johns Hopkins University Applied Physics Laboratory Scholarship, August 2011-May 2015
College of Agriculture J.G. Duncan Scholarship, August 2014-May 2015
Robert A. Clay Resident Advisor Scholarship, August 2014-May 2015
College of Agriculture Maxwell Scholarship, August 2013-May 2014

Leadership and Service

Volunteer, Furkids Atlanta, January 2021-July 2021
Private Tutor, Airola Family, January 2021-May 2021
Mentor, Emerging Leaders Program at Georgia State University, January 2021-April 2021
Evaluator, Honors College Awards Committee at Georgia State University, April 2020-May 2021
President, Economics Graduate Student Association at Georgia State University, March 2018-May 2020
Mentor, Pipeline Mentoring Program at Georgia State University, January 2020-May 2020
Participant, Leadership Experiment at Georgia State University, January 2020-March 2020
Assistant Coach and Trainer, Olive Hill Sporthorses, May 2015-August 2016
Treasurer, The University of Kentucky Equestrian Team, August 2012-May 2015
Resident Advisor, University of Kentucky Residence Life, August 2013-May 2015
Instructor and Counselor, Lake Bryn Mawr Riding Camp, June 2013-August 2013
Peer Mentor, Leadership and Service Living Learning Program, August 2012-May 2013

Additional Accomplishments

Media Coverage

Atlanta Journal Constitution, Education Week

Professional Affiliations

American Economic Association, Association for Education Finance and Policy, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession, Southern Economic Association, Western Economic Association International

Professional Exams Passed

Society of Actuaries Exam P-Probability

Additional Information

Citizenship

United States
Special Sworn Status

Skills

Stata, MATLAB, LaTeX, Microsoft Office, Tableau