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Curriculum Vitae

Education

- Texas A&M University, Ph.D. in Economics, degree expected May 2010
- Rhodes College, B.A. in Economics (with honors), *summa cum laude*, Phi Beta Kappa, May 2005

Fields of Specialization

Economics of Education, Public Economics, Applied Microeconometrics

Working Papers

- “Switching to Better Schools: A Model of Class Size and Mover Endogeneity” (Job Market Paper)
- “Smaller Classes and Similar Peers: Disentangling the Effects of Class Size and Class Composition”
- “Class Size and Student Achievement: Exploring Heterogeneity in Returns to Class Size Reductions”
- “The Impact of State Lotteries on Education Revenue: An Expected Utility Approach”

Teaching Experience

- Instructor, ECON 202: Principles of Microeconomics, Texas A&M University, Spring 2008 and Summer 2008
- Instructor, ECMT 463: Introductory Econometrics, Texas A&M University, Summer 2009

Fellowships and Awards

- Outstanding Teaching Award, Department of Economics, Texas A&M University, 2009
- Private Enterprise Research Center Bradley Fellow, 2008-2009
- Young Scholars Program Participant, Association for Private Enterprise Education; 2007, 2008, and 2009
- Graduate Assistantship, Department of Economics, Texas A&M University, 2006-2008
- Private Enterprise Research Center M. J. Grove Scholar, Summer 2007
- Graduate Merit Fellowship, Texas A&M University, 2005-2006
- Seidman Senior Award in Economics, Rhodes College, 2005
- Seidman First-year/Sophomore Award in Economics, Rhodes College, 2003

Professional Activities and Service

- Graduate Student Research Associate, Private Enterprise Research Center, Texas A&M University, Fall 2009-present
- Economics Graduate Student Association Representative, Texas A&M University, 2007-present (President, 2008-2009)

- Graduate Mentoring Program, Department of Economics, Texas A&M University, 2008-present
- Participant in the China Survey Workshop in Xian, China, May 2008
- Tutoring Lab, Department of Economics, Texas A&M University, 2006-2007
- Research Assistant, Department of Economics, Texas A&M, for Dr. Li Gan (2006-2007) and Dr. Guoqiang Tian (Fall 2007)
- Research Assistant for Joel Greenblatt (Gotham Capital), Summer 2007
- Referee for *Economic Inquiry*
- Referee for *Defense and Peace Economics*
- Economics Tutor, Introductory Microeconomics and Introductory Macroeconomics, Rhodes College, 2003-2005

Academic Presentations

- Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, November 2009 (scheduled)
- University of Memphis Seminar, November 2009 (scheduled)
- Association for Private Enterprise Education Annual Conference, April 2009
- Texas Econometrics Camp XV, February 2009
- Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, November 2008
- Association for Private Enterprise Education Annual Conference, April 2008
- Association for Private Enterprise Education Annual Conference, April 2007
- Missouri Valley Economics Association Annual Conference, October 2004

References

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