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Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

- Ph.D. Economics, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama
December 2007.
Dissertation: *Analyzing Sales Tax Regressivity Using Consumer Expenditure Data: A Three Scenario Analysis for Alabama.*
Committee Chairman: Dr. Harold Elder.
- M.A. Economics, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, May 1999.
- B.S. Political Science, Spring Hill College, Mobile, Alabama, May 1997.

TEACHING INTERESTS: Microeconomics, Public Finance, Public Sector Economics, Environmental Economics, Managerial Economics

RESEARCH INTERESTS: Applied Microeconomics, Public Finance, Public Sector Economics, Taxes, School Vouchers, Government Policy

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE:

2008 - 2009	Visiting Assistant Professor	Birmingham Southern College
2007 - 2008	Postdoctoral	University of Alabama
1999 - 2007	Graduate Teaching Assistant	University of Alabama
1997 - 1999	Graduate Research Assistant	University of Alabama

TEACHING EXPERIENCE and CLASSES TAUGHT:

As Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Social Sciences, Birmingham-Southern College, Birmingham, Alabama

Term	Course	Student Evaluation *
2008 Fall	International Trade Introductory Macroeconomics	one section two sections

As Graduate Teaching Assistant/Instructor, Department of Economics, Finance and Legal Studies, University of Alabama, Tuscaloosa, Alabama.

Term	Course	Student Evaluation *
2008 Summer	Intermediate Macroeconomics two sections	4.94 & 4.67
2007 Summer	Intermediate Microeconomics one section	4.87
2007 Spring	Introductory Microeconomics two sections	4.35 & 4.32
2006 Summer	Intermediate Microeconomics one section	4.85
2005 Summer	Intermediate Microeconomics two sections	4.75 & 4.80
2005 Spring	Intermediate Microeconomics one section	4.77
2004 Fall	Intermediate Microeconomics one section	4.77
2004 Summer	Intermediate Microeconomics two sections	4.93 & 4.57
2004 Spring	Intermediate Microeconomics one section	4.86
2003 Summer	Intermediate Microeconomics two sections	4.93 & 4.82
2002 Summer	Intermediate Microeconomics one section	4.71
2002	Introductory Microeconomics one section	4.83
2001 Summer	Introductory Microeconomics two sections	4.89 & 4.79
2000 Summer	Introductory Microeconomics one section	4.78

* *Evaluation Scale: 1.0 – 5.0 where 5.0 is the highest*

CURRENT RESEARCH and WORKS IN PROGRESS:

“Sales Tax Regressivity and the Economic and Revenue Impacts for the State of Alabama under Three Various Scenarios” Working Paper, 2008.

“Political Economies and their Impacts on the Openness of Trade” (with Keith Malone), Working Paper, 2008.

“The Impacts of Teaching Evaluations on Grading Standards: Ethical Challenges for Faculty when Teacher Evaluations Affect Promotion and Tenure” (with Walter Misiolek), Working Paper, 2005.

HONORS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

J.L. Besole Foundation Scholarship 1993 – 1997

J.L. Besole Foundation Graduate Scholarship 1997 - 2003

Economic Essay Award, Spring Hill College 1997

Ralph Mclain Social Science Award, Spring Hill College 1997

REFERENCES

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