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Education

Ph.D., Economics, Washington University in St. Louis, August 1998
M.A., Economics, Washington University in St. Louis, May 1995
B.A., Economics, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, May 1993

Employment

January 2021- Present, Tulane University, Executive Director of the Murphy Institute
January 2021 – Present, Tulane University, Professor of Economics and Affiliate Professor of Law
August 2017 – December 2020, University of Oklahoma, *President's Associates Presidential Professor* and Department Chair
January 2015 – August 2017, University of Oklahoma, Professor and Department Chair
August 2010 – December 2014, University of Alabama, Professor of Economics
June 2005 – June 2014, Assistant Dean for Faculty and Graduate Student Development, Culverhouse College of Commerce, University of Alabama (Quarter Time Position)
August 2004 – August 2010, University of Alabama, Associate Professor of Economics
August 1998 – August 2004, University of Alabama, Assistant Professor of Economics

Other Positions

Summer 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017, 2022, 2023, 2024 University of Hannover, Germany Guest Professor of Economics
Summer 2019 Xi'an Jiaotong University, China Guest Professor of Economics
June 2010 – Present, Fellow (Visiting scholar 2010, 2012, 2018) at CESifo, Munich, Germany
Summer 2010, University of Vienna, Austria, Guest Professor of Economics
Summer 2008, University of Konstanz, Germany, Guest Professor of Economics

Editorial Boards and Editorships

Editor [*Journal of Economics, Race, and Policy*](#) 2017 – Present
Editorial Board *Contemporary Economic Policy* 2021 - Present
Guest Editor *Public Finance Review* 2018
Guest Editor *International Review of Law and Economics* 2020
Guest Editor *Essays in Economic and Business History* 2023

Service to Profession

National Science Foundation [Alan T. Waterman Award](#) selection committee, 2022 - 2025.
AEA: Co-Chair Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in the Economics Profession, 2011 – 2017 and 2018 - 2024.
[Opportunity and Inclusive Growth Institute](#) Minneapolis Federal Reserve Bank Advisory Board, 2023 – present.
[National Economic Education Delegation](#) Board member, 2020 – present.
Nobel Prize Summit, [Our Planet, Our Future](#), April 2021.
Southern Economic Association: President 2022-2023.
Southern Economic Association: Vice President, 2018 – 2020.

Publications (Books)

“Ladder or Lottery: Economic Promises and the Reality of Who Gets Ahead” University of California Press, Forthcoming 2025.

Publications (Peer-reviewed journal articles)

“Do Political Affiliation and Economic Wellbeing Thwart Religious Identification in China?” with Zhengang (Michael) Xu, *Journal of Demographic Economics*, Vol 91(2), 2025.

“Does Corruption Discriminate? Racial Opportunity Gap in the United States,” with Oguzhan Dincer, *Southern Economic Journal*, Vol 91(3), 2025.

“Revisiting the Effect of Bank Deregulation on Income Inequality” with William Hankins and Anna-Leigh Stone, *Empirical Economics*, Vol. 66(6), 2024.

“Late-arriving votes and electoral fraud: A natural experiment and regression discontinuity evidence from Bolivia” with Diego Escobari, *World Development*, Vol. 173, 2024.

“How LT Principles Can Improve Diversity, Inclusiveness and Student Interest,” with Ebonya Washington, *Journal of Economic Education*, Vol. 55(2), 2024.

“Socially Conscious Investment Funds and Home Country Institutions,” with Kamal Smimou, *Economic Analysis and Policy*, Vol. 79, 2023.

“Historical Racial Exclusion from Board Membership at the SEA, WEAI, MEA, and EEA and their Affiliated Journals,” with Miesha Williams, *Southern Economic Journal*, Vol. 88(3), 2022.

“Macroeconomic Shocks and Racial Labor Market Differences,” with Kuhelika De, Ryan Compton, and Daniel Giedeman, *Southern Economic Journal*, Vol. 88(2), 2021.

“How You Can Work To Increase The Presence And Improve The Experience Of Black, Lantinx, And Native American People In The Economics Profession,” with Amanda Bayer and

Ebonya Washington, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Vol. 34(3), 2020.

“Do State Minimum Wages Affect the Incarceration Rate?” with Pallab Ghosh and Zexuan Liu, *Southern Economic Journal*, Vol. 86(3), 2020.

“Partisan Determinants of Federal Highway Grants,” with William Hankins and Frank Goetzke, *Review of Regional Studies*, Vol. (49), 2019.

“What Crisis? Taking Stock of Management Researchers’ Experiences with and Views of Scholarly Misconduct” with Christian Hopp, *Science and Engineering Ethics*, Vol. 25(5), 2019.

“Do Democratic Governors Lower Economic Freedom? A Regression Discontinuity Approach” with William Hankins, *Journal of Public Finance and Public Choice*, Vol. 34(2), 2019.

“Banking and Inequality: US State Evidence,” with Chen Xu, Daniel Giedeman, and Ryan Compton, *Social Science Journal*, Vol. 55(4), 2018.

“More on Plagiarism in the Social Sciences,” with Brandli Stitzel and William Clark, *Social Science Quarterly*, Vol 99(3), 2018.

“More on the Black/White Income Gap and Economic Freedom,” with Daniel Giedeman and Ryan Compton, *Public Finance Review*, Vol. 46(2), 2018.

“Party Polarization, Political Alignment, and Federal Grant Spending at the State Level” with Paul Pecorino and William Hankins, *Economics of Governance*, Vol. 18(4), 2017.

“How Prevalent is Academic Misconduct in Management Research?” with Christian Hopp, *Journal of Business Research*, Vol. (80), 2017.

“A Note on Economic Freedom and Political Ideology,” with Ji Gu, Daniel Giedeman and Ryan Compton, *Applied Economics Letters*, Vol. 24(13), 2017.

“An Experimental Study of the Impact of Social Comparison on Investment,” with Erik Kimbrough, *Social Science Quarterly*, Vol. 97(2) June 2016.

“The Changing Nonlinear Relationship between Income and Terrorism” with Walter Enders and Todd Sandler, *Journal of Conflict Resolution*, Vol. 60(2) March 2016.

“The Impact of Economic Freedom on the Black/White Income Gap” with Daniel Giedeman and Ryan Compton, *American Economic Review P&P*, Vol. 105(5) May 2015.

“A Distributional Analysis of the Benefits of Economic Freedom” with Daniel Giedeman and Ryan Compton, *European Journal of Political Economy*, Vol. 33(1), March 2014.

“Elected Versus Appointed County Commission Executives: Race, Political Favors and

Support Facilities” with Sondra Collins, *Review of Black Political Economy*, Vol. 40(4), December 2013.

“The Non-Linear Relationship between Terrorism and Poverty” with Walter Enders, *American Economic Review P&P*, Vol. 102(8), May 2012.

“Panel Evidence on Economic Freedom and Growth in the United States” with Ryan Compton and Daniel Giedeman, *European Journal of Political Economy*, Vol. 27(3), September 2011.

“More on Non – White Poverty and Growth” with Sondra Collins and Mehmet Yaya, *Journal of Income Distribution*, Vol. 20(1), March 2011.

“Racial/Ethnic Income Inequality Responses to Government Maintenance Programs in the US” with Mehmet Yaya, *Public Finance Review*, Vol. 39(3), May 2011.

“Gender Differences in Income Inequality among Immigrants to the United States” with Mehmet Yaya, *Social Science Journal*, Vol. 47, September 2010.

“Racial/Ethnic Differences in Income Inequality across US Regions” with Mehmet Yaya, *Review of Black Political Economy*, Vol. 37(2), June 2010.

“Income Inequality and the Business Cycle: A Threshold Cointegration Approach” with Daniel Giedeman and Sel Dibooglu, *Economic Systems*, Vol. 33(3), September 2009.

“The determinants of Laws Restricting Youth Access to Tobacco” with Junsoo Lee and Craig Gallet, *Contemporary Economic Policy*, Vol. 27(1), January 2009.

“Elected versus Appointed School District Officials: Is there a Difference in Student Outcomes?” *Public Finance Review*, Vol. 36(5), September 2008.

“Plagiarism and Its Impact on the Economics Profession” with Daniel Arce and Walter Enders, *Bulletin of Economic Research*, Vol. 60(3), July 2008.

“Non – White Poverty and the Macro-economy: The Impact of Growth” with Walter Enders and Donald G. Freeman, *American Economic Review P & P*, May 2008.

“Examining the Relationship between the Poverty Rate and Economic Conditions in the South,” with Geoffrey Wallace, *Journal of Income Distribution*, Vol. 16(1), March 2007.

“A Game-Theoretic Model of Plagiarism,” *Atlantic Economic Journal*, Vol. 34(4), December 2006.

“Putting out Fires: An Examination of the Determinants of State Clean Indoor-Air Laws,” with Craig Gallet and Junsoo Lee, *Southern Economic Journal*, Vol. 73(1), July 2006.

“Group Welfare and the Formation of a Common Labor Market: Some Global Results,” with

Paul Rothstein, *International Tax and Public Finance*, Vol. 13(1), January 2006.

“The Political Determinants of Federal Expenditure at the State Level,” with Paul Pecorino, *Public Choice*, Vol. 123, April 2005

“Poverty, Non-White Poverty, and the Sen Index,” with John Formby, *Review of Income and Wealth*, Vol. 50(4), December 2004.

“Whose Line is it?: Plagiarism in Economics,” with Walter Enders, *Journal of Economic Literature*, Vol. XLII (2), June 2004.

“The Impact of Non-Revenue Maximizing Factors on State Level Cigarette Tax Rates,” *Contemporary Economic Policy*, Vol. 21(3), July 2003.

“The Effect of Robust Growth on Poverty: A Nonlinear Analysis,” with Walter Enders, *Applied Economics*, Vol. 35(9), June 2003.

“Privatization of Refuse Removal and Labor Costs,” with James Peoples, *Journal of Labor Research*, Vol. 24(2), Spring 2003.

“Salary Determinants of Entry Level Academic Economists and the Characteristics of those Hired on the Tenure Track,” with John Formby, *Eastern Economic Journal*, Vol. 28(4), Fall 2002.

“The Impact of Demographics on Policy Outcomes Under Varying Institutional Frameworks,” *Economics and Politics*, Vol. 14(2), July 2002.

“Economic Growth and Poverty in the United States,” with John Formby, *Journal of Income Distribution*, Vol. 10(2), November 2001.

“Market Structure and Racial Earnings: Evidence from Displaced Workers,” with Jackie Agesa and Richard U. Agesa, *American Economic Review P&P*, May 2001.

Other Publications

“When User Error calls for a Product Redesign: Poverty in the United States,” Presidential Address Southern Economic Association, *Southern Economic Journal*, Vol. 91(4), 2025.

“Introduction to the Special Issue: The Political Economy of Corruption,” with Oguzhan Dincer and Michael Johnston, *Southern Economic Journal*, Vol. 91(3), 2025.

“Introduction to the Special Issue: Economic Freedom and Race/Ethnicity,” *Public Finance, Review*, Vol 46(2), 2018.

Report: Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in the Economics Profession (CSMGEP), with Ebonya Washington, *American Economic Review P&P*, May 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022,

2023, 2024.

Report: Committee on the Status of Minority Groups in the Economics Profession (CSMGEP), with Cecilia Rouse, *American Economic Review P&P*, May 2016, 2017.

Test Bank to Accompany *Public Finance*, 7th, 8th, and 9th edition by Harvey Rosen, McGraw/Hill 2005/2007/2009.

“Plagiarism in Economics: A Survey of Economists,” with Walter Enders, *Challenge*, Vol. 49(5), September/October 2006.

Refereed Book Chapters

“Analysis of Poverty and the Provision of Social Assistance,” with Mehmet Yaya, in Steven Payson (Eds.), *Public Economics: The Government's Role in American Economics* Praeger/ABC-CLIO Publishers, June 2014.

“Differences in the Determinants of Elderly and Non-Elderly Poverty,” *Research on Income Inequality*. Vol. 12, 2004, Elsevier, Oxford, UK.

Book Reviews

Review of *Reforming the Chicago Teamsters: The Story of Local 705*, by Robert Bruno. *Journal of Labor Research*, Vol. 25(4), Fall 2004

Grants

2004 Young Investigators Development Award sponsored by University of Kentucky Center for Poverty Research “Examining the Relationship between the Poverty Rate and Economic Conditions in the South” \$5,000 (funded)

Honors and Awards

August 2006 – December 2014, University of Alabama, *William White McDonald Family Distinguished Faculty Fellow*

January 2002 – August 2004, University of Alabama, *James I. Harrison Family Endowed Teaching Excellence Faculty Fellow*

August 1993 – May 1998, Washington University in St. Louis, *Chancellors Graduate Fellowship for African Americans*

Committees:

University:

Quality Enhancement Plan ad hoc 2021 (Tulane)

Ronald E. McNair Advisory Board 2019 – 2020 (Oklahoma)

Research Council, 2016 – 2019 (Oklahoma)
Ad Hoc Electronic Thesis and Dissertation Steering Committee, 2008 (Alabama)
Faculty Senate, 2005 – 2007, 2009 – 2010 (Alabama)
Ronald E. McNair Advisory Board 2001 – 2009 (Alabama)
Research Advisory Committee, 2005 – 2008 (Alabama)
University Recreation Committee, 2006, 2009 – 2010 (Alabama)

College:

College of Arts and Sciences Nominations Committee 2016 - 2019 (Oklahoma)
College of Arts and Sciences Tenure and Promotion Advisory Committee 2016 - 2018 (Oklahoma)
College of Arts and Sciences on the Graduate College Academic Appeals Panel 2016 – 2019 (Oklahoma)
Faculty Executive Board 2013 – 2014 (Alabama)
EMBA Admissions Committee (Alabama)
Student Services Advisory Committee (Alabama)
Outstanding GRA/GTA Awards Committee (Alabama)
C&BA Women's Initiative Advisory Board (Alabama)

Department:

Graduate Student Outplacement Director 2004 – 2014 (Alabama)

Dissertations:

Name (Discipline) Year – Committee Status, initial placement

Christopher O'Connor (Economics) 2022 – Member, Holy Cross
Long Shi (Economics) 2017 – Member, Xi'an Jiaotong University
Patrick Washington (Finance) 2016 - Member, Morehouse College
Ross Hallren (Economics) 2015 – Member, International Trade Commission
Michaela Patton (Economics) 2015 – Member, US Census Bureau
Juan Medina (Economics) 2015 – Member, Universidad de Juarez
Ejindu Ume (Economics) 2014 – Member, Miami of Ohio
William Walsh (Economics) 2011 – Member, University of Alabama
Sondra Collins (Economics) 2011 – Chair, University of Southern Mississippi Mehmet
Mehmet Yaya (Economics) 2009 –Chair, Eastern Michigan University
Michael Bonnal (Economics) 2007 –Member, University of Tennessee – Chattanooga
Christopher Johnson (Economics) 2003 –Member, University of North Florida

Presentations (Seminars)

2025

University of Missouri, University of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
State University

2024

University of Manitoba (Canada), Dublin City University,

(Ireland), Fayetteville State University

2023

West Virginia University, University of Hannover (Germany),

Creighton University, Howard University

2022

College of Charleston, University of Hannover (Germany), Wake

Forest University, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

2021

Furman University, San Jose State University, Claremont McKenna, Harvard Inequality Lab,

Indiana University, University of Vermont, Loyola Marymount University

2020

Colorado State University, St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank, University of Kentucky

2019

Xi'an Jiaotong University (China), Mississippi State University

2018

Wayne State University, ifo Institute (Germany), Paderborn University (Germany), Illinois State University,

2017

Michigan State University, Howard University, Magdeburg University (Germany), ESCE Paris

(France), Westminster University (UK), University of Hannover (Germany), University of Texas

– Dallas, Georgia Tech University

2016

University of New Mexico, University of Kansas, St. Cloud State University, Aachen University (Germany), Paderborn University (Germany), Virginia Tech University, Washington University in St. Louis

2015

Langston University

2014

University of Tennessee, University of Alabama at Birmingham, Auburn University, Samford University, Paderborn University (Germany), Magdeburg University (Germany), ESCE Paris (France), University of Vienna (Austria), University of Hannover (Germany), University of Freiburg (Germany), Maastricht University (Netherlands), Berlin School of Economics and Law – HWR (Germany), West Virginia University, University of Memphis.

2013

Texas Christian University, ESCE (France), University of Vienna (Austria), University of Hannover (Germany).

2012

Frankfurt University (Germany), Paderborn University (Germany), Magdeburg University

(Germany), Aarhus University (Denmark), University of Vienna (Austria), University of Illinois - Chicago.

2011

University of Vienna (Austria), University of Sussex (UK).

2010

University of Hannover (Germany).

2009

University of Vermont.

2008

University of Texas – Dallas, University of Hannover (Germany), University of Konstanz (Germany).

2007

Society of Government Economists, (Washington, DC)

2006

University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee

2005

University of Kansas, Georgia Institute of Technology

2004

Washington & Lee University, University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee

2003

Wayne State University

2002

Institute for Research on Poverty, Madison, WI., University of Missouri – St. Louis, American University

2001

University of Colorado – Denver, Syracuse University, University of Georgia

2000

Virginia Polytechnic University, University of Texas – Austin, University of Tennessee – Chattanooga

1999

Cornell University