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Education

2014 University of Hawaii at Manoa, Ph.D. in economics

Dissertation Title: Three Essays on the Impact of Natural Disasters on Education and Poverty
in El Salvador and Indonesia

Dissertation Chair: Timothy Halliday, Associate Professor, University of Hawaii at Manoa

Committee Members: Ilan Noy, Sumner La Croix, Inessa Love, Makena Coffman

2009 University of Hawaii at Manoa, MA in economics

2007 Whitworth University, Master of International Management

2005 Whitworth University, BA summa cum laude in economics

2003 Columbia College, AA with distinction in liberal studies

Fields of Interest

Economic Development, International Economics, Economics of Natural Disasters

Current Appointment

2022- present Associate Professor of Economics, Covenant College, Georgia

Other Positions

2021-present Chair, Academic Standards Committee, Covenant College

2021- present New Student Advisor, Covenant College

2017-2021 Book Review Editor, *Faith and Economics*

Previous Appointments

2016-2022 Assistant Professor of Economics, Covenant College, Georgia

2014-2016 Professor of Economics and Development Studies, Marlboro College, Vermont

2013-2014 Lecturer, Kapiolani Community College

2012-2013 Lecturer, University of Hawaii at Manoa

2011-2012 Business Thesis Director, LCC International University, Lithuania

2011-2012 Instructor, LCC International University, Lithuania

2010-2011 Visiting Instructor, LCC International University, Lithuania

2009-2010 Lecturer, University of Hawaii at Manoa

Published Work

“Thinking Christianly About the Economy.” 2021. *byFaith*, Q3.21, pp.36-41

“The Impact of Natural Disasters on Education in Indonesia.” 2018. *Economics of Disasters and Climate Change*, 2, pp. 137-158. DOI: 10.1007/s41885-017-0022-1

“Review of *Just Capitalism: A Christian Ethic of Economic Globalization*.” 2017. *Faith and Economics*, 70, pp. 95-99.

Working Papers

The Impact of Natural Disasters on Poverty in Indonesia

El Salvador’s 2001 Earthquakes and Household Investment in Education

Economic Rationality and Weakness of Will, invited to revise and resubmit for *Faith and Economics*

Presentations/Conferences/Media Interviews

2020 (April) Interviewed by Pastor Jonathan Shumate for CrossLife podcast

2020 (Jan 5th) Guest speaker, Journey Evangelical Church, Westminster, CA

2020 (Jan.) ASSA Annual Meeting (San Diego)

2019 (Jan.) ASSA Annual Meeting (Atlanta)

2017 (Nov.) Presented paper, Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Tampa, FL)

2016 (Nov.) Presented paper, Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (Washington, D.C.)

2016 (Oct.) Free Market Forum, (Atlanta, GA)

2016 (April) Conference on Global Poverty featuring Angus Deaton (Williams College)

2016 (Jan.) Interviewed for “3 groups slowing any shift to a cashless society in US,”
CreditCardGuide.com, January 8

2016 (Jan.) ASSA Annual Meeting (San Francisco)

2015 (Nov.) Presented paper, Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings (New Orleans,
LA)

2015 (Jan.) Presented paper, Conference on the Economics of Global Poverty (Gordon College)

2015 (Jan.) ASSA Annual Meeting (Boston)

2014 (Oct.) Conference on Historical Persistence in Comparative Development (Williams College)

2014 (Sept.) Interviewed for “[Argentinian Peso Fall Could be Good for Farmers](#),” *International
Business Times*, September 26

2014 (Feb.) Presented paper, EWC International Graduate Student Conference (Honolulu)

2014 (Jan.) ASSA Annual Meeting (Philadelphia)

2013 (June) World Congress of Cliometrics (Honolulu)

2008 Presented at UH Manoa Economics Department Graduate Student Research Conference
(Honolulu)

2006 Presenter, Spokane Intercollegiate Research Conference (Spokane, WA)

2005 Presenter, Whitworth University Undergraduate Research Conference (Spokane, WA)

Courses Taught

Statistics

Introduction to Economics

Introductory International Economics

Principles of Microeconomics

Principles of Macroeconomics

Economics for the Citizen

Political Economy

Public Finance

Economic Development in Latin America

Economics of Asia
 Global Trends in the 21st Century
 Intermediate Microeconomics
 Intermediate Macroeconomics
 Economic Development with ethics emphasis
 International Macroeconomics
 International Trade
 Econometrics I
 Thesis Research and Proposal
 Thesis Writing and Defense
 Economics Research

Professional Service

2020 Referee, *International Journal of Disaster Risk Reduction*
 2019 Outside Thesis Evaluator for Marlboro College
 2019 Reviewed proposal for 2nd ed. of *Statistics for the Social Sciences* for Cambridge University Press
 2018 Referee, *Economics of Disasters and Climate Change*
 2017 (Nov.) Discussant, Southern Economic Association Annual Conference (Tampa, FL)
 2017 (Nov.) Social Coordinator for the Association of Christian Economists at the Southern Economic Association Annual Conference (Tampa, FL)
 2016 (Nov.) Session Chair, Southern Economic Association Annual Conference (Washington, D.C.)
 2016 (Nov.) Social Coordinator for the Association of Christian Economists at the Southern Economic Association Annual Conference (Washington, D.C.)
 2015 (Nov.) Session Chair, Southern Economic Association Annual Conference (New Orleans)
 2015 (Nov.) Discussant, Southern Economic Association Annual Conference (New Orleans)
 2015 (Nov.) Social Coordinator for the Association of Christian Economists at the Southern Economic Association Annual Conference (New Orleans)
 2013 (Feb.) Panel Moderator, EWC International Graduate Student Conference (Honolulu)
 2013 Volunteer, World Congress of Cliometrics, Honolulu
 2010 Panel Moderator, EWCPA Spring Film Symposium (Honolulu)
 2010 Liaison Officer to Asia Pacific Economic Cooperation Secretariat, APEC Symposium and Informal Senior Officials' Meeting, Honolulu

Institutional Service

2021- Chair, Academic Standards Committee, Covenant College
 2021- New Student Advising, Covenant College
 2020- Intercultural Competency Committee, Covenant College
 2019- International Studies Program Committee, Covenant College
 2022 Summer Institute Instructor, Covenant College
 2017-2022 Quality Enhancement Plan Steering Committee, Covenant College
 2021 Summer Institute Instructor, Covenant College
 2018-21 Academic Standards Committee, Covenant College
 2020 Presented with Dr. Heath Garris for Scholarship Weekend, Covenant College
 2019 Chapel Speaker, November 24, Covenant College
 2018 Chapel Speaker, March 19, Covenant College
 2016 Admissions Committee, Marlboro College
 2015-16 Institutional Review Board, Marlboro College

2015-16	Selectboard, Marlboro College Town Meeting
2014	Anthropology Search Committee, Marlboro College
2011	Business Department Module Proposal Committee, LCC International University
2009-10	Undergraduate Committee, Department of Economics, UH Manoa
2007-09	Graduate Committee, Department of Economics, UH Manoa

Professional Affiliations

American Economic Association, Association of Christian Economists

Formal Service to the Church

2019-	Member, Financial Advisory Team, The Mission Chattanooga
2019-	Mission Community Leader, The Mission Chattanooga
2014-2016	Missional Community Facilitator, Rivertown Church, Brattleboro, VT
2010-2012	Board Member, Hope 968, Honolulu, HI
2007-2012	Elder, Hope 968, Honolulu, HI

Honors/Grants

2022	Covenant College Summer Research Stipend
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2019	Covenant College Summer Research Stipend
2015	Marlboro College Professional Development Grant
2007-2012	Graduate Degree Fellow, East-West Center (EWC), Honolulu
2007	Faculty Award for Academic Excellence, Whitworth University
2005	George E. Webber Outstanding Student in Economics, Whitworth University
2004	Business Plus program, Whitworth University
2004	Faculty Scholarship for Academic Excellence and Leadership, Whitworth University
2003	Valedictorian and Faculty merit scholarships, Whitworth University