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## *Current Affiliation*

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**Assistant Professor**  
*Department of Economics*

August 2022 – Present  
*University of South Florida*

## *Education*

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**Clemson University**  
*Ph.D., Economics*

May 2020

**Florida A&M University**  
*BA/MBA, Finance*

December 2008

## *Fields of Interest*

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**Public Economics, Urban Economics, Economics of Education**

## *Working Papers*

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"[Black Lives: The High Cost of Segregation](#)" w/ Robynn Cox, Jamein Cunningham, & Alberto Ortega. **Revise and Resubmit, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy.**

"[Does the United States Spend Enough on Public Schools?](#)" w/ Pat Bayer & Peter Blair.

"[Residential Segregation at Physical Neighborhood Boundaries](#)"

"[Evaluating School Expenditures Near Affordable Housing Built for Families](#)"

"The Historic Roots of Neighborhood Heterogeneity" w/ Vikram Maheshri

"Human Capital, Financial Capacity, and Social Risk Determinants of the Academic Performance of Students with Disabilities" w/ Tamara Dimitrijevska-Markoski and Julius Nukpezah

## *Other Works in Progress*

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"Who Benefits from Gentrification? Evidence from Three Decades of Amenity Data"

"Does Investing in Schools Reduce Violent Crime?" w/ Jamien Cunningham and Monique Davis

"The Vietnam Draft & Rural Economic Growth" w/ Will Labadie & Vikram Maheshri

*Conference and Seminar Presentations*

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**2023** AEA/ASSA Annual Conference, Florida Applied Micro Seminar, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, NYU Wagner Urban Research Seminar, WSSA Annual Conference, Duke University Conference on Race, Racism and Structural Inequality, APPAM Fall Research Conference, Southern Economics Association

**2022** American Real Estate and Urban Economics Annual Meeting, Urban Economics Association Annual Meeting, NBER Crime SI (Attendee), University of South Florida (Economics), University of Massachusetts Boston (Economics), Connecticut College (Economics), University of North Florida (Economics), NBER Education Program Meeting (Attendee), Southern Economics Association, Workshop in Applied & Theoretical Economics

**2021** Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, Indiana University Mini-Conference on Education, Health, and Inequality; NBER Education Program Meeting (Attendee), Southern Economic Association, University of Houston Empirical Micro/Political Economy Seminar

**2019-2020** AEA/ASSA Annual Conference, Urban Economics Association - Graduate Student Paper Competition, NBER Urban Program Meeting (Attendee), North American Regional Science Council - Graduate Student Paper Competition, Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis - Center for Indian Country Development, Clemson University Public Economics Workshop, Southern Economics Association, South Carolina Applied Micro Day

*Awards & Honors*

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**Myles Wallace Annual Fellowship in Economics**

*Clemson University*

2019-2020

**CSMGEP-CSWEP Summer Fellowship**

*Federal Reserve Bank of Minneapolis*

2019

**Outstanding Graduate Student Teaching Award**

*Clemson University*

2019

**Dr. Maloney Annual Fellowship in Economics**

*Clemson University*

2018-2019

**Doctoral Scholar**

*Southern Region Education Board*

2015-2017

*Courses Taught*

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Public Economics (Ph.D.), Public Finance (Undergraduate), Econ of Education (Undergraduate)

*Ph.D. Student Committees*

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Terrence Jewell (2023)

*Referee*

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Journal of Policy Analysis and Management