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## EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Virginia, May 1996.  
M.A. in Economics, University of Virginia, May 1992.  
B.S. in Economics, *summa cum laude*, Bradley University, May 1990.

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, UNC Greensboro, Greensboro, NC, 2004  
– present.

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, SUNY-Stony Brook, Stony Brook, NY,  
1999 – 2004.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Virginia,  
Charlottesville, VA, 1998 – 1999.

Research Economist, Mathematica Policy Research, Inc., Washington, DC, 1997 – 1998.

Visiting Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Michigan, Ann  
Arbor, MI, 1996 – 1997.

## PUBLISHED ARTICLES

“A Time Allocation Study of University Faculty,” (with Barry Bozeman and Al Link),  
*Economics of Education Review*, 27(4), August 2008: 363-374.

“Parental Incarceration and Foster Care Caseloads,” with Michelle Sheran, *Child Welfare*  
360°: *Children of Incarcerated Parents*, Spring 2008: 12-13.

- “The Take-Up of Cash Assistance among Private Kinship Care Families” (with Michelle Sheran), *Children and Youth Services Review*, 29(8), August 2007: 973-987.
- “The Timing of Prenatal WIC Participation,” 2007, *The B.E. Journals in Economic Analysis & Policy (Topics)*, 7(1), Article 5.
- “Does the Child Welfare System Serve the Neediest Kinship Care Families?” (with Michelle Sheran Sylvester), *Children and Youth Services Review*, 28(10), October 2006: 1213-1228.
- “The Foster Care Crisis: What Caused Caseloads to Grow?” (with Michelle Sheran Sylvester), *Demography*, 43(2), May 2006: 309-335.
- “Welfare Reform When Recipients are Forward Looking,” *Journal of Human Resources*, 40(1), Winter 2005: 31-56.
- “Maximum Likelihood Estimation Using Parallel Computing: An Introduction to MPI,” *Computational Economics*, 19(2), April 2002: 145-178.
- “Software for Parallel Computing: The LAM Implementation of MPI,” *The Journal of Applied Econometrics*, 16(2), March/April, 2001: 185-194.

## **BOOK CHAPTERS**

- “Foster Care,” in *Encyclopedia of the Life Course and Human Development*, Deborah Carr, editor, Gale Publishing, 2008, p 174-178.
- “Addressing the Selection-Bias Problem in Program Targeting and Design,” with Michael J. Brien, in D. Besharov and P. Germanis, *Making WIC Work*, The American Enterprise Institute, Washington, DC, 2001, p 89-94.

## **REPORTS**

- Technical Description for MATH-STEWARD, 1996.30*, with Jonathan Jacobson, Christine Ross, and Angela Schmitt, Mathematica Policy Research, August 1998.
- The Feasibility of Using SIPP Longitudinal Data to Examine Behavioral Responses*, with Jonathon Jacobson, Mathematica Policy Research, March 1998.

## **WORKING PAPERS**

- “WIC Eligibility and Participation: The Roles of Changing Policies, Economic Conditions, and Demographics,” July 2009, under review.

“Prenatal WIC Participation and Infant Health: Selection and Maternal Fixed Effects,” with Michael J. Brien, May 2001.

“Does Participation in Multiple Welfare Programs Improve Birth Outcomes?”, with Michael J. Brien, Joint Center for Poverty Research Working Paper #212, December 2000.

“Government Intervention and Health: The Impact of WIC Participation on Children,” with Michael J. Brien, March 1999.

## **WORK IN PROGRESS**

“The Processes of Getting and Staying on Food Stamps in South Carolina,” (with David C. Ribar).

“The Timing of Promotion and Tenure in the Sciences,” (with Al Link).

“Child-only Welfare Spells”.

## **GRANTS**

Associate Investigator, “The Processes of Getting and Staying on Food Stamps in South Carolina,” (David C. Ribar, Principal Investigator), U.S. Department of Agriculture, 2008-present.

Co-Principal Investigator, “How do Child Welfare Policies and Economic Conditions Affect Medicaid and Take-Up Rates among Kinship Care Families?”, National Poverty Center, University of Michigan, 2004-2005.

Principal Investigator, “The Dynamics of Prenatal WIC Participation,” The Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin, 2001-2002.

Co-Principal Investigator, “Does Participation in Multiple Welfare Program Improve Birth Outcomes?”, (with Michael J. Brien), Joint Center for Poverty Research, Northwestern University/ University of Chicago, 1999-2000.

Principal Investigator, “A Dynamic Analysis of Marriage, Labor Force Participation, and Participation in the AFDC Program,” IBM Shared University Research Grant, University of Virginia, 1993-1996.

## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

“Public Policy, Economic Conditions, and WIC Caseloads,” presented at the 2007 Southern Economic Association meetings in New Orleans, LA.

- “The Take-up of Cash Assistance Among Private Kinship Care Families,” presented at the 2006 Southern Economic Association meetings in Charleston, SC.
- “How do Child Welfare Policies and Economic Conditions Affect Medicaid and TANF Take-Up Rates among Kinship Care Families?” presented at the 2004 Southern Economic Association meetings in New Orleans.
- “The Dynamics of Prenatal WIC Participation,” presented at the 2004 Southern Economic Association meetings in New Orleans.
- “The Dynamics of Prenatal WIC Participation,” presented at the 2002 APPAM meetings in Dallas, Texas.
- “The Dynamics of Prenatal WIC Participation,” presented at the 2002 U.S.D.A. Small Grants Conference, Washington, D.C.
- “Does Participation in Multiple Welfare Programs Improve Birth Outcomes?”, presented at the 2001 Economic Demography Workshop at the Population Association of America meetings in Washington, DC.
- “Does Participation in Multiple Welfare Programs Improve Birth Outcomes?”, presented at the 2000 Southern Economic Association meetings in Washington, DC.
- “Does WIC Participation Increase Prenatal Care Utilization?”, presented at the 2000 Eastern Economic Association meetings in Washington, DC.
- “Government Intervention and Health: The Impact of WIC Participation on Children,” presented at the 1998 American Economic Association meetings in Chicago.
- “Welfare Reform When Agents are Forward-Looking,” presented at the 1997 American Economic Association meetings in New Orleans.
- “The Effect of Welfare Reform on the Demographic Composition of the AFDC Caseload,” presented at the 1997 Population Association of America meetings in Washington, DC.

## **SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**

University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Wake Forest University, Duke University, University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill, University of Virginia, University of Michigan, SUNY-Stony Brook, George Washington University, University of Tennessee, University of Colorado at Boulder, University of Houston, Georgia State University, Federal Reserve Board of Governors, Mathematica Policy Research, Social Security Administration, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

University of North Carolina at Greensboro, 2004-present. Courses: Econometric Theory (MA), Empirical Research Project (MA), Advanced Econometrics I (PhD), Applied Econometrics (PhD), Public Economics (PhD), Research Seminar (PhD).

State University of New York at Stony Brook, 1999-2004. Courses: Labor Economics (PhD), Labor Economics (BA), Public Economics (BA), Intermediate Microeconomics (BA).

University of Virginia, 1998-1999. Courses: Intermediate Microeconomics (BA), Public Economics (BA).

University of Michigan, 1996-1997. Courses: Intermediate Microeconomics (BA), Public Economics (BA).

## **Ph.D. DISSERTATION COMMITTEE MEMBER**

Tara Wade, University of North Carolina A & T, in progress.

Christian Gregory, UNC Greensboro, in progress.

Richard DePolt, UNC Greensboro, in progress.

Selcuk Eren, SUNY-Stony Brook, 2006, The Levy Economics Institute of Bard College.

Yong-Kyun Bae, SUNY-Stony Brook, 2004, Placement: Hood College.

Rachel Kreier, SUNY-Stony Brook, 2004, Placement: Hofstra University.

Frank Heiland, SUNY-Stony Brook, 2002, Placement: Florida State University.

Kelly Noonan, SUNY-Stony Brook, 2000, Placement: Rider University.

## **AWARDS**

Tipton R. Snavely Dissertation Award, 1997, Award given triennially for the outstanding Economics dissertation at the University of Virginia.

Finalist, National Tax Association Dissertation Award, 1996.

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Discussant, Southern Economic Association meetings, New Orleans, LA, 2006.

Session Organizer, "Program Evaluation", Southern Economic Association meetings, 2004.

Referee, *American Economic Review*, *Journal of Human Resources*, *International Economic Review*, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, *Demography*, *Southern Economic Journal*, *Contemporary Economic Policy*, *Economics of Education Review*, *Economic Inquiry*, *Addiction*, National Science Foundation, and Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

Reviewer, Institute of Medicine.