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Education

Middle Tennessee State University

PHD ECONOMICS

• Advisor: Dr. Daniel J. Smith

Murfreesboro, TN

2021 - present

Troy University

MA ECONOMICS

Troy, AL

2019 - 2021

Troy University

BS ECONOMICS

Troy, AL

2014 - 2019

Professional Experience

- 2021- Present **Graduate Teaching and Research Assistant**, Economics Dept., Middle Tennessee State University
- 2019-2021 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Economics Dept., Troy University

Research

UNDER REVIEW

"The Socialists' Hypotheses and *The Road to Serfdom*" (with Gabriel Benzecry and Daniel J. Smith)

WORKING PAPERS

"A State-wide Analysis of All Crime Offenses During COVID" (with Ben Stickle, Adam Rennhoff, and J. Mitchell Miller)

WORKS IN PROGRESS

"Prosecutor Tenure, Incumbent Turnover, and Criminal Trial Outcomes"

"Contextualizing The Road to Serfdom: Investigating the Common Understanding of Socialism, Planning, and the Welfare State, 1930-1950" (with Gabriel Benzecry and Daniel J. Smith)

"Understanding discrimination on Facebook Marketplace: A field experiment" (with Vitor Melo, Elijah Neilson, Liam Sigaud, and Cody Dirks)

Awards, Fellowships, & Grants

- 2023- Present **Mercatus Frédéric Bastiat Fellowship**, Mercatus Center
- 2021- Present **Political Economy Research Institute Fellowship**, Political Economy Research Institute at Middle Tennessee State University
- 2019-2021 **Johnson Center Masters in Economics Assistantship**, Troy University
- 2018 **Sorrell College of Business Student Research Showcase (Undergraduate) 3rd Place Award - Economics**, Troy University
- 2014-2019 **Chancellor's Scholarship**, Troy University

Presentations

“Prosecutor Tenure, Incumbent Turnover, and Criminal Trial Outcomes” - Southern Economic Association 93rd Annual Conference, New Orleans, LA, November 20th, 2023.

Teaching Experience

Spring 2024, Fall 2023	ECON 2410-003 Principles of Macroeconomics , Economics Department	<i>Middle Tennessee State University</i>
Spring 2021	ECON 4451 Economics of Globalization , Teaching Assistant	<i>Troy University</i>
Fall 2020, Fall 2019	ECON 2252 Principles of Microeconomics , Teaching Assistant	<i>Troy University</i>

Professional Development

Regression Discontinuity Design Workshop with Rocío Titiunik, May 16-17, 2023 - Attended a workshop on implementing Regression Discontinuity design for applications in social science research, focused on econometrics.

Causal Inference II Workshop with Scott Cunningham, March 18-19, 25-26, 2023 - Attended a 4-day workshop in design-based causal inference series. The workshop covered applications of difference-in-differences techniques in applied research, including theory behind the design, estimation strategies, and identification strategies.

Causal Inference I Workshop with Scott Cunningham, February 3rd, 4th, 10th, and 11th, 2024 - Attended a 4-day workshop in design-based causal inference series. The workshop covered counterfactual theory of causality built on the Neyman-Rubin model of potential outcomes, randomization inference, independence, matching, regression discontinuity and instrumental variables.

References

Dr. Daniel J. Smith, PhD

PROFESSOR AND DIRECTOR OF THE POLITICAL ECONOMY RESEARCH INSTITUTE, MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

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ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CRIMINAL JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION, MIDDLE TENNESSEE STATE UNIVERSITY

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Dr. Philip Mixon, PhD

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