

# Curriculum Vitae Spring 2009

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## Academic Experience

Associate Professor of Economics, Ohio University, Fall 2007-present.

Assistant Professor of Economics, Ohio University, Fall 2001–Fall 2007.

Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Trinity University, San Antonio, TX  
Fall 2000–Spring 2001.

## Areas of Concentration

Public Finance and Public Choice, Industrial Organization, Spatial Econometrics

## Education

Ph.D. Economics, Florida State University, 2000

Dissertation: “The Impact of State Government Policy on Economic Performance: A Contiguous Border County Analysis”

Dissertation Chairman: Randall G. Holcombe

B.A. Economics, University of Florida, 1993

## Refereed Publications

“Effects of Minimum Wages on Youth Employment: The Importance of Accounting for Spatial Correlation” (with Charlene M. Kalenkoski), *Journal of Labor Research*, vol. 29, no. 4, December 2008, pp. 303-317.

“Spatial Econometric Issues for Bio-Economic and Land-Use Modeling” (with Garth J. Holloway and James P. LeSage), *Journal of Agricultural Economics*, vol. 58, no. 3, September 2007, pp. 549-588.

“Accounting for Spatial Error Correlation in the 2004 Presidential Popular Vote” (with Timothy M. Shaughnessy), *Public Finance Review*, vol. 35, no. 4, July 2007, pp. 480-499.

“Right-to-Work Laws and Manufacturing Employment: The Importance of Spatial Dependence” (with Charlene M. Kalenkoski), *Southern Economic Journal*, vol. 73, no. 2, October 2006, pp. 402–418.

“In or Out?: Explaining State Shares of the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement” (with Harold M. Winter), *International Journal of the Economics of Business*, vol. 11, no. 3, November 2004, pp 279–285.

“Factors Underlying the Growth of Local Government in the 19th Century United States” (with Randall G. Holcombe), *Public Choice*, vol. 120, no. 3–4, September 2004, pp. 359–377.

“Using Matched Border Counties for Policy Analysis: The Effects of Entitlement Programs on Female-Headed Households and Female Labor Force Participation” (with Randall G. Holcombe), *Eastern Economic Journal*, vol. 30, no. 3, Summer 2004, pp. 411–425.

“The Effect of State Income Taxation on Per Capita Income Growth” (with Randall G. Holcombe), *Public Finance Review*, vol. 32, no. 3, May 2004, pp. 292–312.

“Does Econometric Methodology Matter? An Analysis of Public Policy Using Spatial Econometric Techniques”, *Geographical Analysis*, vol. 36, no. 2, April 2004, pp 105–118.

“A Simple Oligopoly Classroom Experiment” (with Michael P. Ryan), *Classroom Experinomics*, vol.12, no. 1, Fall 2003, pp. 1–6.

“The Growth of Local Government in the United States from 1820 to 1870” (with Randall G. Holcombe), *Journal of Economic History*, vol. 61, no. 1, March 2001, pp. 184–189.

“An Empirical Re-Examination of the Hotelling Valuation Principle” (with Frederick W. Bell, David L. May, and Michael P. Ryan), *Journal of Economic Research*, vol. 5, no. 2, November 2000, pp. 1–15.

“Interests versus Ideology in the Ratification of the 16th and 17th Amendments” (with Randall G. Holcombe), *Economics and Politics*, vol. 10, no. 2 July 1998, pp. 143–159.

***All refereed publications may be downloaded from my website:***

***<http://oak.cats.ohiou.edu/~lacombe/research.html>***

## **Presentations and Workshops**

“The Dual Spatial Autoregressive Probit Model with an Application to the 2001 Congressional Farm Bill” (co-authored with Timothy M. Shaughnessy and Garth J. Holloway) presented at the Regional Research Institute, West Virginia University, Morgantown, West Virginia, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009.

“The Dual Spatial Autoregressive Probit Model with an Application to the 2001 Congressional Farm Bill” (co-authored with Timothy M. Shaughnessy and Garth J. Holloway) presented at the Public Choice Society Meetings, Las Vegas, Nevada, March 5-8, 2009. Special session organized by Donald J. Lacombe.

“A Spatial Econometric Analysis of Voter Turnout” (co-authored with Timothy M. Shaughnessy) presented at the Public Choice Society Meetings, San Antonio, Texas, March 6-10, 2008. Special Organized Session by Donald J. Lacombe.

“Spatial Econometric Issues for Bio-Economic and Land-Use Modeling” (co-authored with Garth J. Holloway and James P. LeSage) presented by Garth J. Holloway at the 26th Conference of the International Association of Agricultural Economists, Brisbane, Australia, August 12th to 18th, 2006.

“Accounting for Spatial Error Correlation in the 2004 Presidential Popular Vote” presented at the Public Choice Society Meetings, New Orleans, Louisiana, March 31 to April 2, 2006.

“An Examination of a Congressional Vote Using Bayesian Spatial Probit Techniques” presented at the Public Choice Society Meetings, New Orleans, Louisiana, March 10-13, 2005.

“Short Course on Spatial Econometrics” West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV. December 16-19, 2003.

“Inter-Jurisdictional Competition and the Political Economy of School Spending” by Ed Balsa and Eric J. Brunner. Session on Voting Referenda discussant, Southern Economic Association meetings, San Antonio, TX, November 21-23, 2003.

“Using Spatial Econometric Techniques for Policy Analysis” presented at the Regional Science Association International Meetings, San Juan, Puerto Rico, November 14-17, 2002.

“The Growth of Local Government in the United States from 1820 to 1870” (with Randall G. Holcombe), presented at the Public Choice Society and Economic Science Meetings, San Antonio, TX, March 9-11, 2001.

## **Working Papers**

“An Introduction to Bayesian Inference in Spatial Econometrics”  
Available at SSRN: <http://ssrn.com/abstract=1244261>

“Agricultural Legislation, Congressional Voting and Bayesian Estimation of Spatial Externalities”, co-authored with Garth J. Holloway and Timothy M. Shaughnessy.

“A Spatial Econometric Analysis of Voter Turnout”, co-authored with Timothy M. Shaughnessy

“Public Corruption in Mississippi: A Spatial Econometric Approach” co-authored with R. Morris Coats, William F. Shughart II, and Gokhan R. Karahan.

## **Works in Progress**

“Bayesian Estimation of the Dual Spatial Autoregressive and Dual Spatial Error Model”, co-authored with Garth J. Holloway

“Bayesian Estimation of the Dual Spatial Autoregressive Probit Model with an Application to the 2001 Congressional Farm Bill”, co-authored with Garth J. Holloway and Timothy M. Shaughnessy

## **Memberships in Professional Associations**

American Economic Association  
Southern Economic Association  
Public Choice Society

## **Referee Duties**

*Southern Economic Journal, International Studies Quarterly, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Public Finance Review, Papers in Regional Science, Public Choice, Regional Science and Urban Economics, State and Local Government Review*

## **Honors and Awards**

**University Professor**, 2007-2008 Academic Year, Ohio University.

<http://www.ohio.edu/outlook/06-07/April/506n-067.cfm>

*“Students bestow the honor of University Professor on five members yearly, after a selection process that begins with nominations from the student body. Faculty so honored then have the freedom to develop and teach two courses of their own choosing during the following year as a means of enriching the undergraduate curriculum. Since its founding in 1970, the University Professor program has recognized over two hundred professors for their teaching excellence.”*

***Please see the following website for more information on the University Professor Award:***

<http://www.ohio.edu/apaa/University-Professor.cfm>

**Nominated for University Professor**, 2005-2006 Academic Year, Ohio University.

**Nominated for University Professor**, 2004-2005 Academic Year, Ohio University.

**Nominated for University Professor**, 2002-2003 Academic Year, Ohio University.

**Nominated for University Professor**, 2001-2002 Academic Year, Ohio University.

**Charles E. Rockwood Graduate Student Teaching Award**, given annually to the graduate student judged the best teacher from among those who have taught for the Department of Economics at Florida State University in the preceding twelve months.

**DeVoe L. Moore Center Dissertation Fellowship**, Spring and Summer 2000.

## **Teaching Experience**

ECON 103 Principles of Microeconomics

ECON 303 Intermediate Microeconomics

ECON 430/530 Public Finance (Combined Undergraduate/Graduate Course)

ECON 485 Introduction to Econometrics

ECON 603B Graduate Microeconomic Theory II

## **Departmental and University Service**

Undergraduate Program Coordinator, Fall 2007-present.

Faculty Advisor, Sigma Chapter at Ohio University of Omicron Delta Epsilon, International Economics Honor Society.

Social Science Computer Committee, Summer 2003-present.

Faculty Mentor for King-Chavez-Parks Minority Scholarship Student Ciare Thorn, Ohio University, Winter Quarter 2003.

Majors Fair, Ohio University, various years.

Faculty Search Committee, Ohio University Department of Economics, Fall 2001.

Residential Learning Communities Faculty Participant, ECON 103, Fall 2003, Fall 2005, and Fall 2007.

Departmental Service: Seminars and Workshops Committee (Chair), Internet Committee (Chair), Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, DEC Committee, Grievance Committee.

## **Thesis Committee Memberships**

Wesley Maurer, M.A. Economics, in progress. Committee Chair.

Lindsay Partusch, M.A. Economics, 2007. "Citizen and Non-Citizen Participation in Public Assistance Programs in the United States." Committee Member.

Kevin Brown, Master of Financial Economics, 2007. "The Impact of Progressive Taxation on Personal Deductions and the Role of Deductions in Economic Growth; Does a Flat Tax Make Sense?" Committee Chair.

Thomas Sims, Master of Financial Economics, 2006. "The Flat Tax and Real Gross Domestic Product Growth". Committee Chair.

Diana Castillo-Trejo, M.A. Economics, 2005. "Estimating a Production Function for Primary Education in Belize". Committee Member.

Katy Mathuews, M.A. Economics, 2004. "The Family Gap and the Determination of Wages: A Study of Male and Female Workers in the United States.". Committee Member.

Trevor Witchey, M.A. Economics, 2004. "Myth and Re-Measurement: Replicating and Extending Card and Krueger's Minimum Wage Time Series Analysis". Committee Member.

Noriaki Adachi, M.A. Economics, 2003. "The Impact of an Oil Shock on the Japanese Economy: A Dynamic CGE Assessment". Committee Member.