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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Chicago

Kenneth C. Griffin Department of Economics

Senior Instructional Professor

Institute for Climate and Sustainable Growth

Director of Undergraduate Programming

College of the Holy Cross

Assistant Professor of Economics (On Leave)

Chicago, IL

July 2025-Present

Worcester, MA

August 2019-Present

EDUCATION

University of California, Santa Barbara

Doctor of Philosophy

Economics (Committee Chair: Paulina Oliva)

Santa Barbara, CA

June 2017

University of California, Santa Barbara

Master of Arts

Economics

Santa Barbara, CA

September 2013

Tufts University

Master of Science

Economics (Advisor: Kelsey Jack)

Medford, MA

May 2012

College of the Holy Cross

Bachelor of Arts

Economics

Worcester, MA

May 2007

RESEARCH

Publications

- Abman, Ryan and Carney, Conor. "Agricultural Productivity and Deforestation: Evidence from Input Subsidies and Ethnic Favoritism in Malawi." *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management* (2020): Vol 103.
- Abman, Ryan and Carney, Conor. "Land Rights, Agricultural Productivity, and Deforestation." *Food Policy* (2020): Vol 94.
- Carney, Conor and Carney, Monica Harber. "Impact of soil conservation adoption on intra-household allocations in Zambia." *Review of Development Economics*, 22(4) (2018): pp.1390-1408.
- Carney, Conor and Schap, David. "Recoverable Damages for Wrongful Death in the States: A Decennial View." *Journal of Business Valuation and Economic Loss Analysis*: 3, no. 1 (2008).

Working Papers

- Strategic Grain Reserves and Deforestation.
- Health Impacts of Household Trash Burning in Sub-Saharan Africa. (with Monica Harber Carney)
- Conservation Farming in Zambia: Understanding the Impact of Property Rights on Adoption.
- Eradicating the Disease of the Empty Granary: Health, Structural Transformation, and Intergenerational Mobility in West Africa. (with Jon Denton-Schneider)

Works in Progress

- Conservation Farming Adoption and Deforestation in Zambia.
- Adaptation to Climate Change: Evidence from Tillage. (with Jayash Paudel)

AWARDS AND HONORS

UNU-WIDER, Inequality Over the Life Course Honorarium (\$6,000)	2024-2025
Batchelor Ford Foundation Grant, College of the Holy Cross (\$5,000)	2024
Northeastern Agriculture and Resource Economics Association Mentorship Program	2021-2022
Batchelor Ford Foundation Grant, College of the Holy Cross	2020
UNU-WIDER - Rural Households in Vietnam Honorarium (\$3,000)	2017
The Graduate Division Dissertation Fellowship, University of California, Santa Barbara	2016
Humanities and Social Sciences Research Grant, University of California, Santa Barbara	2016
UCSB Affiliates Graduate Dissertation Fellowship, University of California, Santa Barbara	2016
Research Travel Grant, University of California, Santa Barbara	2015-2017
UNU-WIDER, Gender and Development Honorarium (\$3,000)	2015
Graduate Fellowship Award Winner, University of California, Santa Barbara	2012-2013
Graduate Research Fellowship Award Winner, Tufts University	2011
Economics Graduate Fellowship, Tufts University	2010-2012
John J. Cummings, Jr./Bai Award, College of the Holy Cross	2007

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Chicago:

Climate Crossroads: Policy, Diplomacy, and the Global Future (CCSG 21025)

College of the Holy Cross:

Principles of Economics (ECON 110), Environmental Economics (ECON 224), Microeconomic Theory (ECON 255), Research Methods I (ECON 460), Research Methods II (ECON 461)

University of California, Santa Barbara (Teaching Assistant):

Statistics for Economics (PSTAT 5E, PSTAT 109), Principles of Economics-Micro (ECON 1), Principles of Economics-Macro (ECON 2), Intermediate Microeconomic Theory (ECON 10A), Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory (ECON 101)

Tufts University (Teaching Assistant):

Statistics for Economics (EC 13)

WORK EXPERIENCE

The Brattle Group	Boston, MA
<i>Associate</i>	July 2017-August 2019
The World Bank	Washington, DC
<i>Short-Term Consultancy (Gender Innovation Lab)</i>	May 2015-September 2015
Conservation Farming Unit, Zambia	Lusaka, Zambia
<i>Independent Consultant</i>	May 2011-September 2011
Harvard Business School	Cambridge, MA
<i>Research Associate</i>	October 2010-February 2011
Chicago Partners	Chicago, IL
<i>Economic Consultant</i>	September 2007-August 2010

SEMINARS AND CONFERENCES

2025: Eastern Economic Association Conference: Association of Environmental and Resource Economists Sponsored Session (New York, NY), Eastern Economic Association Conference: Panelist on the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists Expert Panel on Advancing Pedagogy in Environmental and Natural Resource Economics (New York, NY).

2024: Department of Environmental and Natural Resource Economics URI (Kingston, RI), NAREA Annual Conference (Rehoboth Beach, DE), Liberal Arts Colleges Development Economics Conference (Williams College).

2023: Camp Resources XXIX (Asheville, NC), Clark University (Worcester, MA).

2022: NAREA Annual Conference (Mystic, CT), Career Advancement and Mentorship Program, Liberal Arts Colleges Development Economics Conference, (Wellesley College).

2021: NAREA Annual Conference (Virtual), Career Advancement and Mentorship Program.

2020: Clark University (Worcester, MA).

2019: College of the Holy Cross, Camp Resources XXVI (Asheville, NC).

2018: Heartland Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop (University of Illinois).

2017: Center for the Study of African Economies Annual Conference (St Catherine's College, Oxford), College of the Holy Cross, The Brattle Group, Oxford College of Emory.

2016: Interdisciplinary Ph.D. Workshop in Sustainable Development (Columbia University), All-California Labor Economics Conference Participant (UC-Davis), Broom Center for Demography Lab Lunch Seminar (UCSB), UNU-WIDER Gender and Development Workshop (Helsinki, Finland), Heartland Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign).

2015: CU Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop (Vail, CO), All-California Labor Economics Conference Poster Session (UCLA), Occasional Workshop in Environmental and Resource Economics Participant (UCSB), Working Group in African Political Economy (ASU), UNU-WIDER Gender and Development Workshop (UNamur, Belgium).

2014: Environmental Lunch (UCSB), UCE3 Grad Camp Participant (UC-Berkeley), All-California Labor Economics Conference Participant (UC-Berkeley).

SERVICE

College of the Holy Cross

- **2024-2025:** Member of 403(b) Plan Committee, Member of ad hoc Committee to Review College Honors, Member of the Community Standards Board, Member of Committee on Academic Programs, Department Graduate Studies Advisor, Department Working Paper Series Coordinator.
- **2023-2024:** Director of the Department of Economics and Accounting Honors Program, Chair of the Department of Economics and Accounting Honors Program Selection Committee, Member of the Department Search Committee, Member of 403(b) Plan Committee, Member of ad hoc Committee to Review College Honors, Member of the Community Standards Board.
- **2022-2023:** Director of the Department of Economics and Accounting Honors Program, Chair of the Department of Economics and Accounting Honors Program Selection Committee, Faculty Representative on the Board of Directors for the College of the Holy Cross Alumni Association, Environmental Studies Executive Committee, Member of 403(b) Plan Committee.
- **2021-2022:** Department of Economics and Accounting Awards Selection Committee, Environmental Studies Executive Committee, Environmental Studies Hiring Committee.
- **2020-2021:** Department of Economics and Accounting Honors Program Selection Committee, Campus Sustainability Working Group, Environmental Studies Retreat.
- **2019-2020:** Department of Economics and Accounting Curriculum Committee, Campus Sustainability Working Group.

External

- Served as a referee for the following journals: Forest Policy and Economics (2019), Journal of Agricultural Economics (2020), Journal of Environmental Economics and Management (2020, 2021x2, 2022x2, 2023x2, 2024x2), Industrial Relations (2022), Environment and Development Economics (2022), Journal of the Association Of Environmental and Resource Economists (2022), Land Economics (2023), American Journal of Agricultural Economics (2023, 2024x2), Food Policy (2024), Journal of Development Economics (2024), World Development (2024), Journal of Economic Growth (2024).

- NAREA Awards Committee (2025-2026)
- Coordinator NAREA Scholar Circle (2022-2023)
- Invited Panelist at Camp Resources XXIX (Asheville, NC)
- Invited Panelist for Northeastern Agriculture and Resource Economics Association (NAREA) Professional Development Session: Teaching Tools for Environmental and Resource Economists
- Invited Panelist for the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists Panel Session at the Eastern Economic Association Conference: Advancing Pedagogy in Environmental and Natural Resource Economics
- Elected Town Meeting Member Natick, MA 2022-Present
- Appointed Member of the Natick, MA Net-Zero Committee 2024-2025