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Education

Doctor of Philosophy in Economics

2021 to Present

Syracuse University

Primary Fields: Urban Economics, Public Economics

Bachelor of Arts in Economics, Minor in Mathematics

2018 to 2021

University of Nevada: Las Vegas

Research Experience

Graduate Research Assistant

2023 to present

Syracuse University, Department of Economics

Supervisor/Advisor: Alexander Rothenberg

Project Title: *Housing and Neighborhood Quality Trade-off*

Authors: Maeve Maloney, Aaron Morton, Stuart Rosenthal, Alexander Rothenberg, Sam Saltmarsh

Undergraduate Research Assistant

2020 to 2021

University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Department of Economics

Mentor: Nicholas Irwin

Project Title: *How Changes in Land Values Impact Property Capital Investment in Las Vegas and Henderson, Nevada*

Authors: Nicholas Irwin, Aaron Morton

Teaching Experience

Lecturer

2024 to 2025

Syracuse University, Department of Economics

Courses: ECN 203: Economic Ideas and Issues

Graduate Teaching Assistant

2022 to 2023

Syracuse University, Department of Economics

Supervisor: Michael Lorenzo

Courses: ECN 102: Introductory Macroeconomics Fall 2022, ECN 102: Introductory Macroeconomics Spring 2023

Research Interests

Urban Economics, Public Economics, Spatial Equilibrium, Discrete Choice

Work In Progress

Project Title: *Parking Minimums and Spatial Productivity*

Authors: Aaron Morton

Topic: Exploring the effects of parking minimums and repeal thereof on the spatial distribution of households and productivity in San Francisco and Surrounding Bay Area. Using a mix of reduced form and structural methods the effects of parking minimum reforms, if any, are assessed and a measurement of the overall change in distribution of productivity is provided.

Project Title: *Food Deserts: A Spatial Equilibrium Approach*

Authors: Aaron Morton

Topic: Using methods from Trade and recent developments in Urban, a spatial equilibrium model is being developed to analyze the underlying causes of food deserts and use these results to see what policies might best aid food insecurity.

Project Title: *Housing and Neighborhood Quality Trade-off*

Authors: Maeve Maloney, Aaron Morton, Stuart Rosenthal, Alexander Rothenberg, Sam Saltmarsh

Topic: How households across differing incomes trade off between housing quality and neighborhood quality by estimating the marginal rate of substitution between both. My contribution is creating the code to estimate marginal willingness to pay using the strategy in Bishop and Timmins (2019).

Project Title: *Housing Space Constraints and Spatial Equilibrium*

Authors: Aaron Morton

Topic: By developing a spatial equilibrium model, household housing size preferences and regulatory housing space minimums are considered in how they restrict household choices and location choice affordability.

Presentations

Morton, A., Irwin, J. N. (2020, September). *How Changes in Land Values Impact Property Capital Investment in Las Vegas and Henderson, Nevada*. Poster presented at the UNLV 21st Annual Virtual Undergraduate Research Symposium.

Morton, A., (2024, April). *Food Deserts: A Spatial Equilibrium Proposal* Poster presented at the Syracuse Economics Department Trade Breakfast

Professional Memberships

McNair Scholars Institute

2020 to Present

Phi Theta Kappa

2015 to Present

Grants and Scholarships

McNair Fellowship Grant

2021

McNair Summer Research Institute Grant,

2020

Bank Of America NV Scholarship,

2020

S J Hall Fellowship

2020

Skills

Coding: Matlab (Preferred), Stata, Latex, ArcGIS, Python