
EDUCATIONAL HISTORY

Ph.D. Economics (Current Student) University of New Mexico, Albuquerque NM	May 2026
B.S. Economics-Summa Cum Laude University of Kentucky, Lexington KY	May 2016
B.A. Environmental Sustainability Studies University of Kentucky, Lexington KY	May 2016

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

Graduate Instructor Econ 2110- Introductory Macroeconomics Econ 315- Money and Banking HMHV 301- Health Economics Health Economics- PADM 566	Fall 2022-Spring 2023 Spring 2024 Spring 2025 Spring 2026
Research Assistant -Kidney Institute of New Mexico & VA Medical Center, Albuquerque, NM (PI, Dr. Brent Wagner)	2020-2021
Research Assistant- University of New Mexico LANDFIRE Value of information study modeling forest risk (PI, Dr. Rich Bernknopf)	2019- 2020
Teaching Assistant-University of New Mexico Econ 2120 Introductory Microeconomics Econ 395 Game Theory Econ 320 Labor Economics Econ 2130 Personal Investing Econ 335 Health Economics	Fall 2018/Summer 2019 Spring 2019 Spring 2019 Fall 2019 Fall 2021
Owner/Operator Whooo Wants Waffles? Food Truck, Lexington KY	2015-2018
Qualifying Broker- The Lovely Home Company	Jan 2023-present

RECOGNITIONS AND HONORS

Outstanding Graduating Senior-Department of Economics Gatton School of Business and Economics, University of Kentucky	2016
Departmental Honors- Environmental Sustainability Studies College of Arts and Sciences, University of Kentucky	2016
Gerald and Vivian Boyle Memorial Graduate Student Award	2023

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Healthcare Economics, Applied Microeconomics, Behavioral Economics, Environmental Economics

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Econometrics and Data Analysis (Stata, R)
Microsoft Office
GIS (ArcGIS and QGIS)
Medical Claims Data Query and Analysis

SERVICE

Volunteer- Metropolitan Detention Center – Bernalillo County. Meet with inmates monthly to help with transition and recovery	2025-current
President- Economics Graduate Student Association	2020-2021
Board Member/Founding Member Recovery Café Lexington KY	2017-2021
Volunteer- Fayette County Detention Center, Lexington KY Met with inmates weekly through HOPE Center Recovery Program for men within the jail	2013-2018

Research

2026
Sleeper C - Dissertation
Perception, Payment, and Pollution- Examining the Effects of Air Quality on Health and Healthcare

2023
Sleeper C, Cartwright K, van der Goes DN. The relationship between mental health and public attention to the Brett Kavanaugh hearings and confirmation. Soc Sci Med. 2023 Oct

2019
Gadolinium-Based Contrast Agent: An Economic Analysis- UNM Shared Knowledge Conference (Poster Presentation)

References

Dr. David N. van der Goes – Associate Professor- University of New Mexico, Department of Economics. dvandergoes@unm.edu

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