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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Agricultural Economics, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY May 2017
• Dissertation: “The Role of SNAP and Habit Formation on Household Consumption”
M.S., Economics, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY Dec. 2014
M.B.A., University of Louisville, Louisville, KY Sept. 2011
B.A., Economics & Mathematics, Hanover College, Hanover, IN May 2010

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Fellow, Zwick Center for Food and Resource Policy, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT. May 1 – Present

Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY. Aug. 2012 – Present

Visiting Researcher, Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of California – Berkeley. Aug. 2015 to Dec. 2015

Research Assistant, University of Louisville, Department of Economics, Louisville, KY
Nov. 2011 – July 2012

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Primary Instructor. AEC 303: Intermediate Microeconomics (3 credit hours). Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Kentucky.

- Spring 2015, Spring 2016, Fall 2016

Teaching Assistant. AEC 309: International Trade, World Food Needs, and US Trade in Ag. Products (3 credit hours). Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Kentucky.

- Fall 2014

WORKING PAPERS

“Eat at Home or at Restaurant? The Role of Food Sales Taxes” with Yuqing Zheng, Diansheng Dong, and Harry Kaiser (Under review at American Journal of Agricultural Economics)

“Impact of Local Tax Policy on Food Security” with Harry Kaiser, Norbert Wilson, and Yuqing Zheng (Under review at American Journal of Preventive Medicine)

“Determinants of Entrepreneurial Intention” with Alison Davis, Helen Pushkarskaya, Nicole Breazeale, and James Allen

“Household Consumption Responses to SNAP Participation”

“The Impact of SNAP Participation on Sales of Carbonated Soda”

“Habit Formation in US Demand for Dietary Fat”

GRANTS

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Shaheer Burney (PI) and Yuqing Zheng (Co-PI). Food Connection at UK Student Opportunity Grant for the paper “Impact of Local Tax Policy on Food Security” – 2015

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Yuqing Zheng (PI) and **Shaheer Burney** (Co-PI). The RIDGE Center for Targeted Studies Grant Program. “Impact of Electronic Benefit Transfer on Food Assistance Program Participation and Use” – 2015

PRESENTATIONS AT PROFESSIONAL CONFERENCES

“Impact of SNAP Participation on Sales of Carbonated Soda.” 2017. Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. (scheduled July, 2017)

“The Role of Local Governments in Entrepreneurial Development.” 2017. Community Development Society (CDS)/National Association of Community Development Extension Professionals (NACDEP) Conference, Big Sky, MT. (scheduled June, 2017)

“Do Grocery Taxes Cause Food Insecurity?” 2016. Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting, Boston, MA.

“Household Consumption Responses to SNAP Participation.” 2015. Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

“County Fiscal Policy and Entrepreneurship: The Impact of Occupational License Taxes on Business Startups.” 2014. Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN.

“State Income Taxes and Out-Migration of the Wealthy.” 2013. The Association of Private Enterprise Education (APEE) International Conference, Las Vegas, NV.

EXTENSION PAPERS

Burney, Shaheer, and Alison Davis. 2015. The Importance of Agriculture for Kentucky. Staff Paper No. 494, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Kentucky, February 2015. Retrieved from https://cedik.ca.uky.edu/files/report_importance_of_ag_ky_2015.pdf

Burney, Shaheer, and Alison Davis. 2015. Determinants of Entrepreneurship from the Kentucky Entrepreneurship Survey. Staff Paper No. 495, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Kentucky, August 2015. Retrieved from https://cedik.ca.uky.edu/files/cedik_paper_-_determinants_of_entrepreneurship_from_ks.pdf

Davis, Alison, Lori Garkovich, Leigh Maynard, James Allen, **Shaheer Burney**, and Tarrah Dunaway. 2013. The Influence of the Agricultural Cluster on Fayette County Economy. CEDIK, Department of Agricultural Economics, University of Kentucky, January 2013. Retrieved from https://cedik.ca.uky.edu/files/valueofagfayettecounty_final.pdf

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS

Skilled in:

- STATA, SAS, and R
- IMPLAN economic modeling system