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Education

Ph.D. in Economics | University of South Florida | Tampa, Florida August 2019 – May 2025

- Dissertation title: *“Essays in Economic Development: The effect of environmental disturbances on noncognitive development of adolescents in developing countries. The relationship between health at birth and cognitive performance in middle childhood.”*

B.S. in Quantitative Economics & Econometrics | University of South Florida | Tampa, FL | May 2018

- Minor in Mathematics | GPA: 3.8

Employment

Ph.D. & Adjunct Faculty | University of South Florida | Tampa, FL August 2019 – May 2025

Research environmental and health impacts on individual and economic wellbeing in the developing world. Teach and mentor undergraduate students in economics courses. Assist faculty in teaching and research projects. Perform data modeling using fixed effects with panel data, instrumental variables models, and propensity score matching.

- Create and teach undergraduate-level courses; plan lectures, build exam and homework materials, and develop grading criteria & scale
- Teach principles of micro- and macroeconomics & industrial organization to undergraduates, mentor students during office hours and by appointment
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Financial Analyst | New York Life Insurance Company | New York, NY June 2018 – June 2019

Performed database management and data quality assurance for a large reinsurance firm.

- Oversaw data quality assurance project; leveraged SQL and Access to compare policy holders' information in the corporate database against digitalized hard copies, thereby reducing analysis time and improving data quality
- Created and presented data quality progress reports to senior management

Financial Analyst Intern | Christian Tyler Properties | Tampa, FL August 2017 – May 2018

Conducted investment research and managed client relations for a small regional real estate investment firm dedicated to helping overseas investors gain U.S. citizenship.

- Collaborated with executive team to develop and present investment opportunity proposals for global clients

Team Leader | Net Impact | Washington, DC August 2017 – May 2018

Led recruitment and outreach team for Net Impact, a global network of students and emerging business leaders dedicated to driving positive social change. Participated in educational conference in Washington, DC.

- Led a team in recruiting students from universities across the nation into joining Net Impact's worldwide mission
- Advised students on matters of fiscal policy, national debt, and interest rates relevant to their philanthropic interests

Skills: English, Russian, Stata, R, MATLAB, Python

References: Andrei Barbos (abarbos@usf.edu), Gabriel Picone (gpicone@usf.edu), Diogo Baerlocher (baerlocher@usf.edu)