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Positions:

Associate Professor of Economics, University of Montana, September 2009 – present.
Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Montana, September 2005 – August 2009.
Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Montana, September 1998 – August 2005.

Education:

Ph.D. Economics, University of Utah, May 2000.
Dissertation Title: Land Reform and Rural Development in South Africa.
Committee: Professor Stephen Reynolds (Chair), Professor Kenneth Jameson, Professor Gunseli Berik.
B.S. Economics, University of Nevada, Reno, 1992.

Fields of Concentration:

Economic Development
Applied Microeconomics
Economic History

Teaching Fields:

Macroeconomic Theory
Microeconomic Theory
Economic Development
US, European, African Economic History

Publications:

“Living the Good Life: An Economic View of Subjective Well-Being in South Africa,” in *Happiness Across Cultures: Views of Happiness and Quality of Life in Non-Western Cultures*, Springer Publishers, Netherlands, forthcoming, 2012.

“Relative to Whom or What? The Importance of Relative Standing to Subjective Well-Being,” with Douglas R. Dalenberg, *World Development*, 38(9), March 2010.

“Rural Households, Structural Adjustment, and Gender Analysis,” with James M. Warner, in *East Africa in Transition: Images, Institutions and Identities*, Michigan State University Press and University of Nairobi Press, January 2008.

“Do Household Heads Speak for the Household? A Research Note,” with Brandon S. Fuller and Douglas R. Dalenberg, *Social Indicators Research*, 79, 2006, 405-419.

“Subjective Well-Being and Household Factors in South Africa,” with Douglas R. Dalenberg, *Social Indicators Research*, 65, February 2004, 333-353.

Manuscripts and Working Papers:

“Understanding Happiness Changes in Post-Apartheid South Africa,” with Benjamin Fitch-Fleischmann and Douglas R. Dalenberg, currently under review.

"Power and Bargaining in Intra-Household Resource Allocation – Evidence from Rural South Africa," with James M. Warner, currently under second revision.

"The Future of Structural Adjustment in East Africa: A Critical Appraisal," with James M. Warner.

“Land Use Decisions in Rural South Africa – Lessons for Land Reform,” with Allen Posewitz.

Works in Progress:

“Estimating the Economic Impact of Dam Removal on Property Values: A Hedonic and Spatial Approach,” with Kevin Barnett and Michael Ewald.

“Does Relative Standing Matter for Subjective Well-Being? Evidence from an International Cross-Section,” with Douglas R. Dalenberg.

“Subjective Well-Being and Comparison Effects in the Global South: Evidence from Timor-Leste,” with Dmitri Murfin-Simmons.

“Fiscal Decentralization in Amhara, Ethiopia,” with James M. Warner.

“Municipal Autonomy, Spending and Public Goods Provision in Amhara, Ethiopia,” with Brian Vander Naald.

Invited Seminars and Presentations:

“Understanding Happiness Changes in Post-Apartheid South Africa Using the Oaxaca Decomposition,” with Benjamin Fitch-Fleischmann and Douglas R. Dalenberg, invited seminar at the President-Elect Featured Session, Western Economics Association International Conference, San Diego, California, June 2011.

“Estimating the Economic Impact of Dam Removal on Property Values: A Hedonic and Spatial Approach,” with Kevin Barnett and Michael Ewald, presented at the Association of American Geographers Annual Meetings, Seattle, Washington, April 2011.

“Subjective Well-Being and Comparison Effects in the Global South: Evidence from Timor-Leste,” with Dmitri Murfin-Simmons and Douglas R. Dalenberg, presented at the Western Economics Association International Conference, Portland, Oregon, June 2010.

“Does Relative Standing Matter for Subjective Well-Being? Evidence from an International Cross-Section,” with Douglas R. Dalenberg, presented at the IXth ISQOLS Conference, Florence, Italy, July 2009.

“Keeping Up with the Joneses, or Out-Earning Your Parents? The Importance of Relative Standing to Subjective Well-Being,” with Douglas R. Dalenberg, presented at the ICAPE Conference, Salt Lake City, Utah, June 2007.

“Living the Good Life: Modeling Subjective Well-Being in South Africa,” invited presentation at the University of Utah, Department of Economics Seminar Series, May 2002.

“Good Mothers and Deadbeat Dads? Intra-Household Resource Allocation in South Africa,” presented at the American Economic Association annual conference, New Orleans, Louisiana, January 6, 2001.

“The Constraints Facing Black Farmers in South Africa,” with Deborah Johnston and Stefan Schirmer, invited presentation at the Restructuring Agriculture in South Africa (RAISA) Conference, Durban, South Africa, September 1997.

“Agricultural Productivity and Land Reform in South Africa,” presented at the Western Economics Association Conference, Seattle, Washington, July 10, 1997.

“Urban Household Food Security in the Gauteng Province” Paper presented to the Standing Committee on Food Security, Department of Agriculture, South Africa, September 1996.

Teaching Experience:

University of Montana – September 1998 to the present.

Introduction to Political Economy
Principles of Microeconomics
Principles of Macroeconomics
Intermediate Microeconomics
Intermediate Macroeconomics
Economic Development
Development and Transition in East and Central Asia
Macroeconomic Theory (masters level)

University of Utah – September 1993 – July 1998

Principles of Microeconomics
Principles of Macroeconomics
US Economic History
Intermediate Macroeconomics
European Economic History
African Economic History and Development
Macroeconomics (masters level)
Development in Africa (Liberal Ed. Department)

International Research and Teaching Experience:

Consultant, Amhara Rural Development Programme, Fiscal Decentralization Project, Bahir Dar and Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, May – July 2003, June – August 2006.

Visiting Scholar and Professor, Tbilisi Institute of Asian and African Studies, Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia, and Kutaisi State University, Kutaisi, Republic of Georgia, January – April 2004.

Consultant/Policy Analyst, Land and Agriculture Policy Centre, Johannesburg, South Africa, March - November 1996, April - July 1997.

Honors, Grants, and Fellowships:

University Grant, University of Montana, 2006.

Mini-Sabbatical/Professional Enhancement Grant, University of Montana, 2002.

Instructional Development Grant, University of Montana, 1999.

Marriner S. Eccles Graduate Fellowship, University of Utah, 1995-1997.

Master Teaching Assistant, University of Utah, 1994-1995.

Jewell J. Rasmussen Outstanding Teaching Fellow, University of Utah, 1993-1994.

Jewell J. Rasmussen Scholarship, University of Utah, 1993-1994.

References:

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Thomas M. Power, Emeritus Professor, Department of Economics, University of Montana, Missoula, MT 59812-5472, (406) 243-2925, tom.power@mso.umt.edu.

Stephen E. Reynolds, Associate Dean and Professor, Department of Economics, University of Utah, 1645 Campus Center Drive, Rm. 308, Salt Lake City, UT, 84112-9300, (801) 581-8620, reynolds@behsci.utah.edu.