Kara Jones (USC) Selected for CES Dissertation Mentorship Program

Kara Jones is an economics PhD student in the Darla Moore School of Business at the University of South Carolina. Her project (with adviser Jason DeBacker), “Special Economic Zone Designations to Enhance Economic Development,” will investigate the effects of the special designation on individuals’ employment, earnings, and education using the decennial census, the Current Population Survey, and the American Community Survey. Intergenerational impacts will be assessed by linking parents from earlier surveys to their children in later years. You can read more about the CES Dissertation Mentorship Program [here](https://www.atlantardc.org).

Data Spotlight

- **Survey of Consumer Finance** ([researchdatagov.org/product/2120](https://researchdatagov.org/product/2120))
  The Survey of Consumer Finances (SCF) is normally a triennial cross-sectional survey of US families. The survey data include information on families’ balance sheets, pensions, income, and demographic characteristics.

  Certain employers are legally required to provide information about their workforce demographics to the EEOC. Data in the RDC include the annual Employer Information Report (EEO-1) as well as the biennial reports from local unions (EEP-3), state and local governments (EEO-4), and large elementary and secondary school systems (EEO-5).

- **Historic Form 1040 Data** ([researchdatagov.org/product/14660](https://researchdatagov.org/product/14660))
  This dataset contains information from the IRS Form 1040 tax data that has been approved for use by external researchers. These data files were derived from the IRS’s Individual Master File (IMF) from 1969, 1974, 1979, 1984, 1989, and 1994, and they were processed by the Census Bureau for use by the General Revenue Sharing program and for generating intercensal migration estimates. The Census Bureau has also added Protected Identification Keys and Master Address File IDs to the records so they can be linked to other census data.

Explore all restricted data available through the FSRDC network at [ResearchDataGov.org](https://www.ResearchDataGov.org).
Approved and Active Projects

See the ARDC web site (atlantardc.org) for information and links for writing proposals. The list below reflects only those projects that are active or approved but not yet started.

University of South Carolina
- “Special Economic Zone Designations to Enhance Economic Development”
  Jason DeBacker and Kara Jones
- “Disparities in Mental Health Services Access: The Intersectionality of Residence Rurality, Race, and Ethnicity”
  Emma Boswell, Haoyuan Gao, Peiyin Hung, Jiajia Zhang, and Elizabeth Crouch

Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta
- “Matching SBA Data to Census Bureau Data for Producing New Statistics”
  Veronika Penciakova and others at Census
- “Research on Regional Economic Indicators and Current Business Dynamics”
  Veronika Penciakova, Ben Delgado, Tim Dunne (Notre Dame), Kimberly Bayard and John Stevens (Fed Board of Governors), Emin Dinlersoz and Javier Miranda (Census), and John Dogan (Radford)
- “The LBD Initiative—Collaboration with RDC Researchers”
  Vernoika Penciakova, Ian Schmutte (UGA), and others at Census
- “Migration Constraints and Job Opportunities”
  Julie Hotchkiss and Kalee Burns (Census)
- “Social Capital and Entrepreneurship”
  Julie Hotchkiss, Kalee Burns (Census), Carlianne Patrick (GSU), and Anil Rupasingha (USDA ERS)
- “Labor Market Power, Corporate Financing, and Interest Rate Shocks”
  Indrajit Mitra, Richard Thakor (Minnesota), Winston Dou (Penn), and Yu Xu (Delaware)
- “Wage Changes, Net and Gross Employment Flows”
  David Wiczer and Santiago Martinez, Claudia Macaluso (Richmond Fed), and Lawrence Warren (Census)
- “Supply Chains and Inflation Dynamics”
  Bin Wei, Zhanwei Yue (Emory), Simon Gilchrist (NYU), and Egon Zakrajsek (Boston Fed)
- “The Determinants and Impacts of Great Society Programs”
  Paul Mohnen, Martha Bailey (UCLA), Michael Murton (Michigan), Bryan Stuart (Philadelphia Fed), and others.
University of Georgia

- “LEHD Infrastructure Project”
  Ian Schmutte; others at Census
- “Disclosure Avoidance Support”
  Ian Schmutte; others at Census
- “Disclosure Avoidance Modernization for County Business Patterns”
  Ian Schmutte; others at Census
- “Volunteering and Community Context”
  Rebecca Nesbit and SuYoung Choi, Laurie Paarlberg (Indiana University), and Suyeon Jo (University of Arizona)
  Zhuo Chen, Donglan Zhang, and Xuesong Han (Emory University and the American Cancer Society)
- “Food Insecurity, Salience, and SNAP Receipt in the CPS”
  Travis Smith and Christian Gregory (USDA–ERS)
- “Trends and Patterns of Geographic Variation in Dietary Intake and Diet Quality Among US Adults, 2007–2018”
  Donglan Zhang and Zhuo Chen, and Yan Li and Junxiu Liu (Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai)
- “Labor Hiring Strategies: Determinants and Implications for Firm Financials”
  Jie He, Zhongling Qin (Auburn), Xiao Ren (Chinese University of Hong Kong–Shenzhen), and Miao Zhang and Selale Tuzel (University of Southern California)
- “College Major Choice and Labor Market Matching”
  Josh Kinsler, Ronni Pavan and Woosuk Choi (University of Rochester), and Boris Orellana (Boston University)
- “The Life-Cycle Labor Market Effects of Mandatory Retirement: Evidence from Airline Pilots”
  Matt Knepper and Jonathan Leganza (Clemson)

Georgia Institute of Technology

- “Labor Market Implications of Credit Supply Shocks”
  Manasa Gopal and Philipp Schnabl (NYU)
- “Barriers and Solutions for Small and Medium Sized Manufacturers’ Collaborative Robot Adoption”
  Nancey Green Leigh
- “Investigating e-cig Policy Effects on Adult Use of e-cigs”
  Daniel Dench and Shubhsri Rajendra, Henry Saffer and Michael Grossman (CUNY), and Dhaval Dave (Bentley University)
Tulane University

- “Reconciling the Quantitative Gap in Measuring the Social Costs of Gentrification: Evidence from the American Housing Survey”
  AJ Golio and Christopher Oliver
- “Can Unexploited Monopsony Power Be Used to Counteract Income Tax Policy?”
  Alexander Siebert and James Alm
- “The Impact of SNAP Generosity on Nutrition, Health, and Food Insecurity”
  Augustine Denteh and Farah Khan
- “Immigration Enforcement, Medicaid enrollment, and Child Health”
  Augustine Denteh, Makayla Lavender (UNLV), and Prithvijit Mukherjee (Bryn Mawr College)

Vanderbilt University

- “Expanding Health Insurance to Parents: Effects on Children's Health Care Use and Health”
  Michelle Marcus and Xuan Zhang, and Anna Aizer (Brown)
- “Minimum Legal Drinking Age and Substance Use”
  Christopher (Kitt) Carpenter and Brandyn Churchill, and Carlos Dobkin (UC Santa Cruz)
  Christopher (Kitt) Carpenter and Marianne Bitler (UC Davis)
  “Industry and Occupation of Transgender Individuals”
  Christopher (Kitt) Carpenter

University of Tennessee

- “Dynamic Export Capabilities and Export Venture Success”
  Kelly Hewett, and Annette Tower (Clemson), and Katrijn Gielens (University of North Carolina)
- ”Civil Rights Legislation and the Labor Market Conditions of Southern-born Black Americans”
  Marianne Wanamaker, Celeste Carruthers, and Alannah Shute, and Ted Figinski (US Treasury)
- “The Impact of Medicare on Mortality”
  Seth Neller, and Samuel Arenberg (University of Houston), and Sam Stripling (University of Texas)
- “The Lifelong Consequences of Early-life Circumstances”
  Seth Neller, and Samuel Arenberg (University of Houston), and Sam Stripling and Michael Geruso (University of Texas)
Georgia State University

- “Survival, Growth, and Productivity of Small Businesses in the U.S.”
  Jing (Sophia) Xue, and Sadaf Asrar, Sagar Anvekar, and Mark Turner (Optimal Solutions Group), and Yuheng Ding and Liu Yang (Maryland)
- “The Employment and Wage Effects of Mergers and Acquisitions”
  Jing (Sophia) Xue, and Xi He and Liu Yang (Maryland), David Autor (MIT), and Agustin Hurtado Arzola (Chicago)
- “Market Frictions and Innovation: Financing, Human-Capital and Competition”
  Jing (Sophia) Xue, and Liu Yang and Geoffrey Tate (Maryland), and Francesco D’Acunto (Georgetown)
- “What Effect Did the Affordable Care Act Have on SSDI Beneficiaries? A Look at Insurance Coverage, Medical Care Spending, and Medical Care Utilization”
  Brett Alfrey
- “Nonresponse Bias Analyses and Weighting Improvements for CPS Food and Security Supplement”
  David Ribar and Jonathan Eggleston (Census)
- “Racial/Ethnic Disparities in Changes in Prescription Medication Expenditures on Smoking Cessation Medication among U.S. Adults before and during the COVID-19 Pandemic”
  Jidong Huang, and Qihua Qiu, Madeline Duteau, Subrata Mandal Suman, and Md Mahmud Hasan (Augusta University), and Jaesang Sung (Northern Arizona)

Emory University

- “The ACA and Health Care and Outcomes Among Cancer Patients and Survivors”
  Xuesong Han and Xu J, and Xin Hu (University of Virginia)
- “Evaluating Implications of Variation in State Contraceptive Access Policies for Women’s Preventive Health Service Use, Outcomes and Disparities”
  Whitney Rice, Sara Redd, and Alina Luke
- “The Impacts of Medicaid Expansion and Medicaid Managed Care on Behavioral Health Services Use among Nonelderly Populations”
  Yidan Zhang and Allison Ju-Chen Hu
  Wei Jiang, and Xiao Cen (Texas A&M), and; Nan Li (Minnesota)
- “Corporate Financial and Nonfinancial Decisions, Human Capital, and Trades”
  Wei Jiang, and Xiao Cen, Tristan Fitzgerald, and Xiaoding Liu (Texas A&M), and Nan Li (University of Minnesota)
- “Credit Market Frictions, Creditor’s Rights, and the Real Economy”
  Jianzhang Lin and T. Clifton Green
Auburn University

- “The Role of Mothers on Social Mobility of Sons and Assortative Mating in the United States”
  Chris Vickers, and Jose-Antonio Espin-Sanchez (Yale), and Joseph Ferrie (Northwestern)
- “Firm Heterogeneity, Misallocation, and Trade”
  Jong (John) Chung
- “Aggregate Mark-Up and Unobserved Heterogeneity”
  Peng Shao
- “The Role of Finance in the Production of Industrial Pollution: Evidence from Matched Regulatory Datasets”
  Pang-li Chen, and Aymeric Bellon (University of North Carolina), and Erik Gilje (University of Pennsylvania)

Others

- “Racial/Ethnic, Socioeconomic, Lifestyle, and Subclinical Risk Factors for Cancer Development in Adults with Atherosclerotic Cardiovascular Disease”
  Xiaoling Wang and Avirup Guha (Augusta University)
- “County Level Estimates of Childhood Obesity Using the 2020 and 2021 National Survey of Children’s Health”
  Latetia Moore-Freeman (CDC) and John Williamson (McKing Consulting Corporation)

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