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Research Fields

Specialization: Microeconomic development

Subfields: Agriculture, social capital, health, networks, experimental economics

Academic Appointments

Colgate University, Department of Economics. Hamilton, NY.	2020-Present
Assistant Professor of Economics	

University of Evansville, Schroeder School of Business. Evansville, IN. 2018-2020

Assistant Professor of Economics

Education

Cornell University, The Charles H. Dyson School. Ithaca, NY. Ph.D., Applied Economics and Management	2018
Tufts University , The Fletcher School. Medford, MA. M.A.L.D., Development Economics, International Energy Policy	2013
State University of New York at Geneseo, NY.	2009

State University of New York at Geneseo. Geneseo, NY.
B.A., Economics, B.A., International Relations, *Summa cum laude, Phi Beta Kappa*

Publications

Peer-reviewed Journal Articles:

- 1. Murphy, D.M.A., Roobroeck, D., and Lee, D.R. (2024), "Show and Tell: Farmer Field Days and Learning about Inputs with Heterogeneous Yield Effects." *European Review of Agricultural Economics* 51(1), 91-127. doi:10.1093/erae/jbad042
- 2. Murphy, D.M.A., Simons, A.M., Pypers, P., Chernet, M., and Roobroeck, D. (2023), "Plot Size Misperceptions and Soil Health: A New Research Agenda." *Soil Security* 13, 100117. doi:10.1016/j.soisec.2023.100117
- 3. Murphy, D.M.A. (2023), "Sobriety, Social Capital, and Village Network Structures." *World Development* 166, 106210. doi:10.1016/j.worlddev.2023.106210
- 4. Castilla, C. and Murphy, D.M.A. (2023), "Bidirectional Intimate Partner Violence: Evidence from a List Experiment in Kenya." *Health Economics* 32(1), 175-193. doi:10.1002/hec.4616
- 5. Murphy, D.M.A., Nourani, V., and Lee, D.R. (2022), "Chatting at Church: Information Diffusion through Religious Networks." *The Review of Economics and Statistics* 104(3), 449-464. doi:10.1162/rest_a_00969

- 6. Murphy, D.M.A., Roobroeck, D., Lee, D.R., and Thies, J. (2020), "Underground Knowledge: Estimating the Impacts of Soil Information Transfers through Experimental Auctions." *American Journal of Agricultural Economics* 102(5), 1468-1493. doi:10.1111/ajae.12101
- 7. Murphy, D.M.A., Berazneva, J., and Lee, D.R. (2018), "Fuelwood Source Substitution, Gender, and Shadow Prices in Western Kenya." *Environment and Development Economics* 23(6), 655-678. doi:10.1017/S1355770X1800027X

Edited Book Chapter:

1. Murphy, D.M.A. and Scherr, S. (2023), "Economic and Policy Contexts for Biologically-Oriented Management of Soil Systems" in N. Uphoff and J. Thies (Eds.), *Biological Approaches to Regenerative and Resilient Soil Systems* (2nd edition): CRC Press.

Working Papers

- 1. "Alcohol, Labor, and Agriculture." Revise and Resubmit, *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy.*
- 2. "A Changing Religious Landscape and Community Social Bonds." with V. Nourani and A. Simons.
- 3. "Tipples and Quarrels in the Household: The Effect of an Alcohol Mitigation Intervention on Intimate Partner Violence" with C. Castilla and F. Aqeel.
- 4. "Women Talking: Intimate Partner Violence, Group Discussions, and their Effects on Social and Economic Ties" with C. Castilla and F. Aqeel (In Review).
- 5. "Women's Agency and Intra-Household Efficiency" with C. Castilla and T. Chauhan (In Review).
- 6. "Sobriety and Religion: Results from a Randomized Control Trial in Kenya"

Research Projects in Progress

- 1. "Increasing Financial Digitization and Inclusion in Emerging Economies: Evidence from Armenia" with N. Hovanessian and A. Shirkhanyan.
- 2. "Aspirations, Beliefs, and Behavior: Evidence from a Randomized Religious Intervention in Western Kenya" with S. Bird, S. Kilonzo, and V. Moorthy.

Teaching (Instructor of Record)

Colgate University, Hamilton, NY

ECON 438: Seminar in Economic Development (SP 2023, SP 2024)

ECON 238: Economic Development (SP 2021, FA 2021, SP 2023, SP 2025)

ECON 151: Introduction to Economics (FA 2020, SP 2021, SP 2022, FA 2022, FA 2024)

FSEM 187: Strategies for Global Sustainable Development (FA 2021)

University of Evansville, Evansville, IN

ECON 497: Research Seminar (SP 2020)

ECON 380: Economic Growth and Development (FA 2019)

ECON 346: Intermediate Macroeconomics (SP 2019)

ECON 325: Environmental Economics (FA 2018)

ECON 101: Principles of Macroeconomics (FA 2018, SP 2019, FA 2019, SP 2020)

Selected Seminar and Conference Presentations

2025	Invited Seminar, Institute for African Development, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY (Planned).
2024	Liberal Arts Consortium Development Seminar (LACDev), Selected Paper Presentation, Williams College, Williamstown, MA. • NOVAFRICA Conference, Selected Paper Presentation, Nova SBE, Lisbon, Portugal. • Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MWIEDC), Selected Paper Presentation, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL. • Invited Seminar, State University of New York at Geneseo, Geneseo, NY.
2023	Liberal Arts Consortium Development Seminar (LACDev), Discussant, Amherst College, Amherst, MA. • Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), Selected Paper Presentation, University of Washington, Seattle, WA.
2022	Invited Seminar, State University of New York at Geneseo, Geneseo, NY. • Armenian Economic Association Annual Meeting, Selected Paper Presentation, Yerevan, Armenia (Voskeni Award for Best Paper in Agricultural and Environmental Economics). • Eastern Economics Association, Selected Paper Presentation, Montego Bay, Jamaica. • Pacific Conference for Development Economics (PacDev), Selected Paper Presentation, University of San Francisco, San Francisco, CA. • Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MWIEDC), Selected Paper Presentation, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN.
2021	Liberal Arts Consortium Development Seminar (LACDev), Selected Paper Presentation, Oberlin College, Oberlin, OH. • Invited Seminar, Fordham University, New York, NY.
2020	Liberal Arts Consortium Development Seminar (LACDev), Selected Paper Presentation, Virtual Conference.
2019	Southern Economic Association (SEA) Annual Meeting, Selected Paper Presentation, Ft. Lauderdale, FL. • Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Annual Meeting, Selected Paper Moderator and Presenter, Atlanta, GA.
2018	Northeastern Universities Development Consortium Annual Conference (NEUDC), Selected Paper Presentation, Cornell University, Ithaca, NY. • Sustainability and Development Conference, Selected Paper Presentation, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI.

University and Department Activity and Service

Colgate Presentations and Seminars

Social Science Brown Bag Series

• December, 2022

Economics Department Brown Bag Series

• April, 2025 (planned) • October, 2023 • December, 2021 • March, 2021

University-Level Service:

2025-Present	Prohibited Conduct Response Group
2022-Present	Institutional Review Board
2021-2024	Faculty Development Council
2022	Committee on Athletics (substitute)
2021-2022	Social Science and Policy Fellowships Committee

Department-Level Service:

2022-Present	London Economics Study Group (LESG) Steering Committee
2024-2025	Economics Department Hiring Committee
2022-2023	Omicron Delta Epsilon Economics Honor Society Advisor
2020-2022	Colgate University - Hamilton College Joint Economics Brown Bag Seminar Series - Organizer

Professional Service

Mentorship

• Structural Transformation of Agriculture and Rural Spaces (STARS) fellowship application reviewer (Cornell University)

Journal Refereeing

- American Journal of Agricultural Economics (3x) Applied Economic Perspectives and Policy
- Eastern Economic Journal Economic Development and Cultural Change The Economic Journal Journal of Law and Economics Review of Development Economics Soil Security World Development

Professional Membership

• American Economic Association • Agricultural and Applied Economics Association • Agricultural Economics Society • European Economics Association • Phi Beta Kappa

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