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- EDUCATION** **University of Michigan**, Ann Arbor
Ph.D. Candidate in Economics (expected June 2007)
M.A. Economics (2004)
- University of Chicago**
M.P.P. (2000)
B.A. Economics (1999)
- FIELDS** **Primary Fields:** Industrial Organization, Applied Microeconomics
Other Areas of Interest: Marketing, Price Discrimination
Primary Teaching Interests: Applied Econometrics, Econometrics, Microeconomics
- THESIS** **Chapter 1:** “To Discriminate or Differentiate? Evidence From a Supermarket Chain”
Chapter 2: “Competition and Price Discrimination in the Market for Mailing Lists” (with Ron Borzekowski and Raphael Thomadsen)
- RESEARCH EXPERIENCE** **Research Assistant**, Patrick Bajari, Department of Economics, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (Summer 2005)
- Research Assistant**, Justin McCrary, Department of Economics, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (Summer 2005)
- Research Assistant**, Federal Reserve Board of Governors, Washington, DC (2000–02)
- Assisted Board economists in conducting research on banking issues such as the extent of banking markets, bank mergers and branch divestitures
 - Developed software that allowed economists and research assistants to easily manage data across multiple operating systems
 - Trained research assistants in the use of sophisticated data management techniques
- Research Assistant**, National Opinion Research Center, Chicago (1999–2000)
- Assisted in the design and implementation of the National Survey of Indigent Defense Systems for the Bureau of Justice Statistics
 - Planned and executed a homeowner census of the Woodlawn area in Chicago
- TEACHING EXPERIENCE** **Graduate Student Instructor**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor (Fall 2003–Winter 2005)
- Courses:* Introductory Statistics, Introductory Game Theory, Introductory Microeconomic Theory
- Computer Liaison**, University of Michigan Graduate Economics Society, Ann Arbor, (2004–06)
- Designed software and coordinated the construction of a job market database, saving each job market candidate over 10 hours of labor

- Prepared training materials for economics graduate students on L^AT_EX typesetting and remote computing
- Conducted workshops on L^AT_EX typesetting and remote computing

Computer Consultant, ICPSR Summer Program, Ann Arbor, (Summer 2004–05)

- Fielded program participants' statistical and programming questions

SKILLS

Programming Languages: perl, lisp, bash shell, JCL.

Markup Languages: L^AT_EX, HTML.

Statistical Packages: Stata, SAS, R, Matlab.

Operating Systems: Windows, Unix, Linux, Macintosh OS X.

CITIZENSHIP

United States

DISSERTATION
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