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SKILLS SUMMARY

- Advanced communication skills in writing research papers and preparing and presenting slide decks
- Excellent skills in critical thinking and quantitative analysis
- 7+ years of experience in research related to economics
- Adept at conducting multiple projects simultaneously and offering key recommendations using evidence-based methodologies
- Proficient in R, STATA, LaTeX, SPSS, and Microsoft Office products
- Highly trained in the use of advanced econometric methods for longitudinal and cross-sectional data
- Optimistic, confident, and willing to learn and adapt quickly to the new environments

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labour economics; Immigration; International student

EDUCATION

PhD, Applied Economics, University of Waterloo 2021 (Expected)
Committee: Mikal Skuterud (supervisor), Ana Ferrer, Thomas Parker
Dissertation: “The Relative Performance of International Students
and Their Academic Program Choices”

MA, Economics, University of Windsor 2013

BSc (Hons), Economics, Statistics, and Mathematics
University of Toronto 2008

PUBLICATIONS and CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Working Papers

- “The Influence of Co-Ethnic Peers on Students’ Academic Program Choices: Evidence from an Ontario University,” unpublished manuscript

Published Papers

- “The Relative Academic Performance of International Students: Evidence From an Ontario University,” *Canadian Public Policy*, Volume 46 Issue 1, Mar. 2020, pp. 125-144 (with Mikal Skuterud)
- “The Relative Labour Market Performance of Former International Students: Evidence from the Canadian National Graduates Survey,” *Canadian Public Policy*, Vol. 44 Issue 3, Sept. 2018, pp. 207-225 (with Mikal Skuterud)
 - This paper was the runner-up for the Vanderkamp Prize.

Conference Presentations

The Relative Labour Market Performance of Former International Students: Evidence from the Canadian National Graduates Survey

- Skilled Migration Flows and Borders in a Globalized World, Waterloo May, 2017
- Canadian Economic Association Annual Meetings, Ottawa June, 2016

WORK EXPERIENCE

Teaching/Graduate Assistant

University of Windsor, University of Waterloo

2011 – 2020

- Supported learners in applying economic methods using R and STATA through instruction
- Communicated and provided feedback to students
- Led hour-long tutorials which included training economics students through practice problems and encouraging the development of their problem-solving skills

Research Assistant

University of Waterloo

2015 - 2018

- Communicated, projected activities, and provided status updates routinely to key internal members
- Well experienced in developing the research question, identifying suitable data, and interpreting the results
- Analysed proposed projects and their impact on areas like labour market performance

Assistant Sales Manager

Level Trade Inc., Toronto, ON

2008 - 2011

- Managed the business process on the sales floor and assisted manager in maximizing sales floor coverage
- Effectively used program to analyse the company's financial situation in the past and present
- Maintained awareness on all products information and intra-net communications, current advertising, promotions, catalogues, and communicate all pertinent information to store associates
- Created, developed, and maintained cooperative customer service-focused relationships
- Oversaw the business's financial performance including assisting the manager in developing annual business plans and budgets

AWARDS

- Kenneth Stollery Memorial Graduate Award (University of Waterloo) 2016
- Graduate Student Society Scholarship (University of Windsor) 2013
- Mathematics Honour Roll (University of Toronto) 2005