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### ACADEMIC POSITIONS

- **University of Notre Dame**, Notre Dame, IN  
*Rev. Thomas J. McDonagh, C.S.C., Associate Professor of Economics*, Department of Economics, 2013-present  
*Co-Founder & Director*, Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities, University of Notre Dame, 2013-present  
*Associate Professor*, Department of Economics, 2009-present  
*Assistant Professor*, Department of Economics, 2002-2009
- **University of Chicago**, Chicago, IL  
*Visiting Assistant Professor*, Irving B. Harris School of Public Policy Studies, 2006-2007
- **University of Michigan**, Ann Arbor, MI  
*Visiting Scholar*, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, National Poverty Center, 2004-2005
- **University of Michigan**, Ann Arbor, MI  
*Research Affiliate*, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy, National Poverty Center, 2004-present

### EDUCATION

- **Northwestern University**, Evanston, IL  
 Doctor of Philosophy, Economics, August 2002  
 Master of Arts, Economics, June 1997
- **University of Notre Dame**, Notre Dame, IN  
 Bachelor of Arts, Economics, May 1993

### JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

- **The Impact of Homelessness Prevention Programs on Homelessness** (2016), with Bill Evans and Melanie Wallskog, *Science*, 353(6300), 694-699.
- **Household Surveys in Crisis** (2015), with Bruce Meyer and Wallace Mok, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 29(4), 199-226.
- **Consumption and Income Inequality and the Great Recession** (2013), with Bruce Meyer, *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings*, 103(3): 178-83.
- **Winning the War: Poverty from the Great Society to the Great Recession** (2012), with Bruce Meyer, *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity*, Fall, p. 133-183.
- **Identifying the Disadvantaged: Official Poverty, Consumption Poverty, and the New Supplemental Poverty Measure** (2012), with Bruce Meyer, *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, 26(3), Summer, 111-136.
- **Consumption and Income Poverty over the Business Cycle** (2011), with Bruce Meyer, *Research in Labor Economics*, vol. 32, 51-82.
- **Further Evidence on Measuring the Well-Being of the Poor Using Income and Consumption** (2011), with Bruce Meyer, *Canadian Journal of Economics*, February, 44(1), pages 52-87.
- **Changes in the Consumption, Income, and Well-Being of Single Mother Headed Families** (2008), with Bruce Meyer, *American Economic Review*, 98(5), December, 2221-2241.
- **Borrowing During Unemployment: Unsecured Debt as a Safety Net** (2008), *Journal of Human Resources*, 43(2): 383-412.

- ❑ **The Relationship between Income and Material Hardship** (2008), with Lesley Turner and Sheldon Danziger, *Journal of Policy Analysis and Management*, 27(1): 63-81.
- ❑ **Welfare Reform, Saving, and Vehicle Ownership for the Poor: Do Asset Tests and Vehicle Exemptions Matter?** (2006), *Journal of Human Resources*, 41(1): 72-105.
- ❑ **The Effects of Welfare and Tax Reform: The Material Well-Being of Single Mothers in the 1980s and 1990s** (2004), with Bruce Meyer, *Journal of Public Economics*, 88(7-8): 1387-1420.
- ❑ **Measuring the Well-Being of the Poor Using Income and Consumption** (2003), with Bruce Meyer, *Journal of Human Resources*, 38(S): 1180-1220.

#### CHAPTERS IN BOOKS AND EDITED VOLUMES

- ❑ **The Validity of Consumption Data: Are the Consumer Expenditure Interview and Diary Surveys Informative?** (2015), with Adam Bee and Bruce Meyer, in *Improving the Measurement of Consumer Expenditures*, Christopher Carroll, Thomas Crossley, and John Sabelhaus, editors. University of Chicago Press in NBER Book Series Studies in Income and Wealth.
- ❑ **Consumption and Income Poverty in the United States** (2012), with Bruce Meyer, in *Oxford Handbook of the Economics of Poverty*, Philip Jefferson, editor. Oxford University Press.

#### INVITED COLUMNS, OP-EDS, AND POLICY BRIEFS

- ❑ **Promoting Greater Understanding of the Impact of Federal Programs: What a Clearinghouse for Program and Survey Data Might Look Like** (2014), *Wilson Sheehan Lab for Economic Opportunities Policy Brief*.
- ❑ **American Mobility: an Untold Story of Progress for America's Middle Class and Poor** (2012), with Bruce Meyer, *Commentary*, March, p. 30-34.
- ❑ **How the Census Gets it Wrong on Poverty** (2010), with Bruce Meyer, *CNN Opinion*, September 20, <http://www.cnn.com/2010/OPINION/09/20/meyer.sullivan.census.poverty>.
- ❑ **The Well-Being of Single Mother Families after Welfare Reform** (2005), with Bruce Meyer, *Brookings Institution Policy Brief*, Welfare Reform & Beyond #33, August.

#### COMPLETED PAPERS AND PAPERS UNDER REVIEW

- ❑ **Consumption and Income Inequality in the U.S. Since 1960**, with Bruce Meyer.

#### WORK IN PROGRESS

- ❑ **Stay the Course: Promoting Community College Retention Through Comprehensive Case Management**, with Bill Evans and Melissa Kearney
- ❑ **The Material Well-Being of the Poor and the Middle Class Since 1980**, with Bruce Meyer.
- ❑ **Income and Consumption Volatility over Time**, with Bruce Meyer.
- ❑ **Economic Well-Being and Time Use**, with Bruce Meyer.
- ❑ **Consumption and Income Poverty for Those 65 and Over**, with Bruce Meyer.
- ❑ **Under-reporting, Take-up, and the Distributional Effects of the Food Stamp Program**, with Bruce Meyer.

#### GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- ❑ **Raskob Foundation** (co-PI, \$45,000), Research Grant, 2016
- ❑ **Morgridge Foundation** (PI, \$300,000), Research Grant, 2015-2017
- ❑ **National Institutes of Health** (PI, \$435,000), Research Grant, 2015-2017
- ❑ **The Smith Richardson Foundation** (co-PI, \$199,949), Research Grant, 2015-2016
- ❑ **Russell Sage Foundation** (PI, \$14,654), Conference Grant, 2015
- ❑ **Raskob Foundation** (co-PI, \$50,000), Research Grant, 2015

- ❑ **Anonymous Foundation** (co-PI, \$800,000), Programmatic Grant, 2014-2016
- ❑ **Jameel Poverty Action Lab, North America** (co-PI, \$49,902), Research Grant, 2014
- ❑ **National Bureau of Economic Research** (co-PI, \$25,000), Research Grant, 2010
- ❑ **The Smith Richardson Foundation** (co-PI, \$272,673), Research Grant, 2008-2010
- ❑ **Earhart Foundation** (PI, \$6,236), Fellowship Research Grant, 2006
- ❑ **United States Department of Agriculture** (co-PI, \$40,000), Research Development Grant, 2006
- ❑ **National Bureau of Economic Research** (co-PI, \$25,000), Research Grant, 2006
- ❑ **Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, College of Arts and Letters, University of Notre Dame** (PI, \$6,933), Seng Foundation Endowment Grant, 2006
- ❑ **Annie E. Casey Foundation** (co-PI, \$50,366), Research Grant, 2005
- ❑ **The Smith Richardson Foundation** (PI, \$60,000), Domestic Public Policy Research Fellowship Program, 2004
- ❑ **The W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research** (PI, \$5,000), Mini-Grant, 2003
- ❑ **Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts, College of Arts and Letters, University of Notre Dame** (PI, \$4,000), Seng Foundation Endowment Grant, 2003
- ❑ **Joint Center for Poverty Research**, Graduate Fellow, 1998-2002
- ❑ **Joint Center for Poverty Research**, Summer Research Fellowship, Summer 2000 and 2001
- ❑ **Searle Center for Teaching Excellence**, Teaching Assistant Fellow, 1999-2000

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

- ❑ **Emerald Literati Network Awards for Excellence**, *Outstanding Author Contribution*, for “Consumption and Income Poverty over the Business Cycle” published in *Research in Labor Economics*, 2012.
- ❑ **University of Notre Dame**, *Rev. Edmund P. Joyce, C.S.C., Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Teaching*, 2010
- ❑ **National Tax Journal**, *Referee-of-the-Year Award*, 2008
- ❑ **Center for Poverty Research, University of Kentucky**, *Emerging Scholars Program*, 2004
- ❑ **The W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research**, *Dissertation Award Winner*, 2003
- ❑ **Northwestern University**, *Distinguished Teaching Assistant Award*, 1998-1999 and 1999-2000
- ❑ **University of Notre Dame**, *Helen Kellogg Award*, Distinguished senior thesis, 1993

#### INVITED POLICY PRESENTATIONS

- ❑ **Testimony, U.S. House of Representatives, Committee on Agriculture, Subcommittee on Nutrition**, “Developing and Using Evidence-Based Solutions,” July 15, 2015
- ❑ **Presentation, U.S. House of Representatives, Committee on the Budget**, “Improving Outcomes in Anti-Poverty Programs: the Role of Research,” June 2014
- ❑ **Presentation, U.S. Catholic Conference of Bishops**, “Inequality in the U.S. and Abroad, Trends and the Role of Policy,” May 2014
- ❑ **Presentation, Nebraska Family Impact Seminar, Nebraska State Legislature**, “The Effects of Welfare Reform on Family Well-Being,” Lincoln, NE, January 2006

#### INVITED LECTURES AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

University of Utah, Department of Finance, Salt Lake City, UT, October 2015  
University of Notre Dame, Law & Econ Workshop, South Bend, IN, September 2015  
APPAM Fall Research Conference, Miami, FL November 2015  
Chicago Community Trust, Chicago, IL, November 2015  
Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, June 2015  
APPAM Spring Conference, Washington D.C., March 2015  
Catholic Charities Annual Gathering, Keynote Address, October 2014  
Philanthropy Roundtable Annual Meeting, October 2014  
University of California, Davis, War on Poverty Conference, January 2014

Williams College, Williamstown, MA, October 2013  
University of Illinois, Champaign, IL, October 2013  
Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, September 2013  
Florida International University, Miami, FL, April 2013  
American Economic Association, Annual Meetings, San Diego, CA, January 2013  
Brookings Institution, Brookings Papers on Economic Activity Fall Conference, September 2012  
Lumen Christi Institute, Toward a Moral Economy Conference, Chicago IL, June 2012  
Society of Labor Economists, Annual Meetings, Chicago, IL, May 2012  
American Enterprise Institute, Washington D.C., October 2011  
Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN, September 2010  
Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, June 2010  
University of Florida, Department of Economics, February 2010  
Econometric Society, Annual Meetings, Atlanta, GA, January 3, 2010  
Higher School of Economics, Moscow, Russia, September 2009  
Midwest Econometrics Group, West Lafayette, IN, September 11, 2009  
NBER Summer Institute, Cambridge, MA, July 2009  
American Time Use Research Conference, University of Maryland, College Park, MD, June 2009  
Econometric Society, Summer Meetings, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, June 2008  
Colby College, Waterville, ME, November 2007  
APPAM, Fall Research Conference, Washington D.C., November 2007  
University of California Davis, Davis, CA, October 2007  
University of California Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz, CA, October 2007  
USDA, RIDGE Conference, Washington D.C., October 2007  
University of Chicago, Harris School of Public Policy Studies, Chicago, IL, April 2007  
W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, Kalamazoo, MI, March 2007  
Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Chicago, IL, February 2007  
American Economic Association, Annual Meetings, Chicago, IL, January 2007  
National Association for Welfare Research and Statistics, Jackson, WY, August 2006  
Administration for Children and Families, Welfare Research and Evaluation Conference, Washington D.C., June 2006  
Institute for Research on Poverty, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, June 2006  
University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA, May 2006  
Society of Labor Economists, Annual Meetings, Cambridge, MA, May 2006  
Midwest Economic Association, Annual Meetings, Chicago, IL, March 2006  
Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis, Indianapolis, IN, September 2005  
European University Institute, Florence, Italy, May 2005  
Federal Reserve System Research Conference, Washington D.C., April, 2005  
University of British Columbia, British Columbia, Canada, March 2005  
Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, February 2005  
American Economic Association, Annual Meetings, Philadelphia, PA, January 2005  
University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, December 2004  
University of Kentucky, Lexington, KY, September 2004  
NBER Summer Institute, Cambridge, MA, August 2004  
University of Western Michigan, Kalamazoo, MI, April 2004  
W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research, Kalamazoo, MI, March 2004  
Midwest Economics Association, Annual Meetings, Chicago, IL, March 2004  
Econometric Society, Summer Meetings, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, June 2003  
Seng Symposium on Research in Economic Policy, Notre Dame, IN, November 2002  
Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Chicago, IL, May 2002  
Midwest Economics Association, Annual Meetings, Chicago, IL, March 2002  
U.S. Census Bureau, Washington D.C., February 2002  
U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Washington D.C., February 2002  
University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, February 2002  
College of the Holy Cross, Worcester, MA, February 2002

Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, Washington D.C., January 2002  
University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, January 2002  
Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, St. Louis, MO, January 2002  
National Association for Welfare Research and Statistics, Baltimore, MD, August 2001  
Society of Labor Economists, Annual Meetings, Austin, TX, April 2001  
Cleometrics Conference, Oxford, OH, May 1999

#### **ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

- ❑ **Northwestern University**, Evanston, IL  
*Instructor*, Department of Economics, 2000-2001
- ❑ **Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago**, Chicago, IL  
*Research Assistant*, Economic Research Department, Summer 1998
- ❑ **ABN AMRO North America**, Chicago, IL  
*Investment Officer*, Economic and Treasury Research Department, 1994-1996
- ❑ **Mount St. Michael Academy**, Bronx, NY  
*Instructor*, 1993-1994