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Current Position/ Affiliation

Current PhD candidate	Economics Department George Mason University, Fairfax, VA
Research Assistant	Dr. Kevin McCabe Interdisciplinary Center for Economic Science George Mason University, Arlington, VA
PhD Fellow	Mercatus Center George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

EDUCATION

2021	MA Economics, George Mason University, Spring 2021
2019	BA Mathematics and Economics, The University of Arizona, 2019 (Graduated with Honors)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Working Paper	<i>The Adaptive Rationality of Markets</i> , with Dr. Kevin McCabe, Stephen Kunath, and Aleksander Psurek
Working Paper	<i>The Efficiency of Escrow Mechanisms on Online Exchange</i> , with Dr. Kevin McCabe and Nalin Bhatt
May 2021-Aug. 2021	Research Mentor IFREE/ CeLab Workshop. Lead undergraduate students in research on decentralized finance
May 2020-Aug. 2020	Research Mentor IFREE/ CeLab Workshop. Lead 6 undergraduate students in research on computational and experimental methods
2018-2019	<i>Honors Thesis</i> , University of Arizona Honors College, Tucson AZ Mentor: Charity-Joy Acchiardo, PhD <i>Analysis of Strategies dealing with Corruption in the Philippine Development Plan</i>
2018-2019	<i>Participant</i> , Ronald E. McNair Achievement Program, University of Arizona Graduate College, Tucson, AZ Mentors: Andrew Huerta, PhD, Roberto Reyes, PhD candidate

Aug. 2017-May 2018 *Research Assistant*, Department of Neuroscience, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
Principal Investigator: Dr. Robert Wilson

PRESENTATIONS

April 12, 2021 APEE Conference Oral Presentation, *The Efficiency of Escrow Mechanisms on Online Exchange*, Fort Lauderdale, FL

April 1, 2021 Interdisciplinary Center for Economic Science Oral Presentation, *The Efficiency of Escrow Mechanisms on Online Exchange*, George Mason University

Aug. 6, 2018 Summer Research Poster Presentation, *Evaluation of Corruption Strategies in the Philippine Development Plan*, University of Arizona

Aug. 3, 2018 Summer Research Oral Presentation, *Evaluation of Corruption Strategies in the Philippine Development Plan*, University of Arizona

July 27, 2018 McNair Conference Oral Presentation, *Evaluation of the Philippine Development Plan 2017-2022*, University of California, Los Angeles

SCHOLARSHIPS

Feb. 2021 APEE Young Scholars Program Award (*599 travel stipend*)

Aug. 2015-May 2019 Wildcat Excellence Tuition Scholarship, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (*9,500/year for 4 years*)

Aug. 2015-May 2019 Asian American Scholarship, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (*1,000-2,000 four-time award*)

Aug. 2018-May 2019 Betty B. Chastain Scholarship, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (*1,000 one-time award*)

Aug. 2017-May 2018 Leonard E. Bower Scholarship, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (*10,000 one-time award*)

Aug. 2017-May 2018 Marianne Cooke Johnsen Scholarship, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (*500 one-time award*)

Aug. 2016-May 2018 Bonnevie Scholar in Science Scholarship, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (*1,000 two-time award*)

Aug. 2016-May 2017 Honors College Scholarship, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (*150 one-time award*)

Aug. 2016-May 2017 W. Wright Foundation Scholarship, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (*1,000 one-time award*)

Aug. 2015-May 2016	Booster Club Scholarship, Shadow Ridge High School, Surprise, AZ (500 one-time award)
Aug. 2015-May 2016	Heart of the Stallion Scholarship, Shadow Ridge High School, Surprise, AZ (1,500 one-time award)
Aug. 2015-May 2016	Star Scholar Scholarship, Surprise, AZ (2,500 one-time award)
Aug. 2015-May 2016	Elks Club Scholarship, AZ (1,500 one-time award)

AWARDS AND HONORS

May 2019	Outstanding Economic Graduate, University of Arizona Eller College of Management
Spring 2019	Academic Year Highest Academic Distinction, University of Arizona
Spring 2018	Academic Year Academic Distinction, University of Arizona
Spring 2017	Academic Year Highest Academic Distinction, University of Arizona
Spring 2016	Academic Year Highest Academic Distinction, University of Arizona
Fall 2015	Baird Alternate, University of Arizona

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Fall 2015-Present	Honors College Ambassador, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (Commitment based on needs per week)
Fall 2016-Spring 2017	Honors Mentor Association Peer Mentor, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ (Mentored two students over the school year)
Fall 2017-Spring 2018	Women in STEM Mentorship Program, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ
Summer 2020	Mentor for IFREE/CeLab Workshop in computational experimental economics as a workshop scholar, George Mason University, Arlington, VA (Worked with Dr. Kevin McCabe mentoring 6 undergraduate students)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

Aug. 2016-Present	Member, National Collegiate Society
Aug. 2012-May 2015	Member, National Honor Society

