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Education

University of Wisconsin Madison
Ph.D. Economics 1995
M.S. Economics 1991
B.A. Economics (Honors) 1987

American Academy of Arts and Sciences, Member. 2025.
American Association for the Advancement of Science, Fellow. 2023.

Administrative Experience

Director, Institute for Policy & Social Research, University of Kansas (May 2019-present).
The Institute for Policy & Social Research (IPSR) supports the research and education missions of KU. Housed within the Office of Research, IPSR fulfills the significant role of bringing social scientists and policy researchers together to conduct innovative research that informs decision-making at the local, state, and national levels. IPSR is home to 28.2 FTE employees. Of those, 7.25 are fully funded by state money and the remainder are in grant-funded, “soft money” positions. IPSR hosts seven interdisciplinary, faculty-led research centers and has over 150 faculty affiliates. In FY 2025, IPSR had a non-sponsored budget of \$4.7 million and managed \$18 million in sponsored research projects. IPSR has a 28% success rate on federal research funding proposals and an overall return on investment of 375%.

Research

- Increased research expenditures and resulting impact by 270%.
- Hired Associate Research Scientist/Associate Professor staff member to expand research capacity; received \$3.4 million in external funding since 2023.
- Expanded contract research for corporations, non-profits, foundations, and professional societies.
- Established Biomedical Data Sets and Services Core as co-investigator on an \$11 million NIH COBRE grant to provide data services and graduate student training.
- Mentored Research Faculty member in obtaining \$650,000 NSF Convergence Accelerator grant.

Impact

- Strengthened KU ties with the state of Kansas.
- Served as the Academic Adviser to Governor Kelly’s Tax Reform Council.
- Produced [The Governor’s Council on Tax Reform Final Report](#). The Tax

Council's recommended the elimination of the state food sales tax; this bill was passed in March 2022.

Provided briefings about the Kansas and national economies to state leaders including Governor Laura Kelly and her cabinet during and after the COVID-19 pandemic.

Led the research and production of *[Broadband in Kansas: The Challenges of Digital Access and Affordability](#)*. The report documented lack of access and affordable broadband for close to 1 million Kansas residents. Data from the report were used to challenge the FTC maps.

Received \$1 million in contracts from the state of Kansas Department of Revenue, Department of Administration and Department of Commerce.

Testified 20 times before Kansas House and Senate Committees on taxation and the social safety net (2018-2025).

Education

- Collaboratively developed curriculum for Bachelor's of Science in Data Science major and minor starting in 2026.
- Established and managed Kansas Data Science Consortium (KDSC) as part of NSF EPSCoR grant.
 - Hired Research Faculty member to coordinate KDSC activities.
 - Hosted Community Data Labs to match data science students with state and local governments and stakeholders to provide data services and student capstone projects.
- Administered Student Support Programs
 - Doctoral Fellows Program provides professional development for approximately 10 students working on policy-related research. Since its inception over 100 students have been mentored, and many have tenure-track academic positions.
 - Sloan Indigenous Graduate Partnership provides financial support and professional development for STEM graduate students.
 - Sloan Undergraduate Scholars Program provides a pathway for Haskell students to pursue graduate education at KU.

Strategic Leadership

- Led staff and faculty research center directors through strategic visioning and planning process for the successful external review of IPSR.
- 2024 IPSR External Review: "... IPSR [is]... a model for a social science research center. . . Director Ginther was commended by the internal and external reviewers for her decision-making, innovation, and communication within and outside the university."

Director, Center for Science, Technology & Economic Policy, IPSR, University of Kansas (2008-present). Develop and execute contract research with industry and state and local government partners. Organize the Kansas Economic Policy conference on a different theme each year.

- Testified before U.S. Congress

Working Group on Women in the 21st Century Workforce, 2017.

Commission on Evidence-Based Policymaking, 2017.

Subcommittee on Science Education of the U.S. House of Representatives.

- Produced six [reports for the Kansas Board of Regents](#) on technical education, community college success rates, the SB-155 program, adult basic education, and the earnings of KBOR graduates.
- Organized annual Kansas Economic Policy Conference, including selection of annual theme and recruitment of speakers (2008-2025).
- Co-founded and managed the Kansas City Area Education Research Consortium (KC-AERC 2008-2015, 2017-2019). KC-AERC provided evaluation and technical support to school districts and education stakeholders.
- Managed 5 FTE and generated external funding to support these positions.

Major University Service

Co-Chair, Provost's Committee on Market Based Faculty Salaries (2023-2025).

- Coordinated data collection and conducted empirical analysis of KU Faculty salaries compared to peer institutions.
- Worked closely with staff from KU Analytics, Institutional Research, and Effectiveness to estimate costs of achieving market-based salaries.
- Co-developed faculty pay philosophy with the Dean of the College of Liberal Arts & Sciences and the Chief Financial Officer of the University.

Chair, Distinguished Professor Steering Committee (2023-present).

- Led six-member Steering Committee on behalf of 81 Distinguished Professors.
- Organized annual meetings with university leaders to advocate for research funding, graduate studies and improving university ranking.
- Coordinated with Distinguished Professor committee at Kansas State University on topics of mutual concern including the support of tenure at Kansas universities.

Chair, University Senate Ad Hoc Committee on Gender Equity (2016-2017).

- Led a year-long study of gender equity for students, staff and faculty.
- Analysis and report demonstrated that female faculty were more likely to leave the university.

Chair, Faculty Compensation Committee (2005-2008; 2013-2014).

- Co-authored tenure stop clock policy and design survey of parental leave adopted in 2003.
- Co-authored active-service / modified duties proposal for family leave, adopted in 2008.
- Co-authored report on faculty and staff tuition assistance, adopted in 2022.

Additional Service:

Member, search committee for Vice Provost of Faculty Affairs, 2023. Higuchi Award Committee, member, 2024-2025. School of Public Affairs Chair Search Committee,

member, 2023. Data Analytics Advisory Team, Collaborative on Academic Careers in Higher Education (COACHE) Survey 2022-2023. Chair, Office of Research Promotion & Tenure Committee (2019-2021). Tuition Advisory Committee (2016-2017). College Revenue Enhancement Committee (2015-2016). University Scholarly Achievement Committee (2013); Chair, (2014-2016). University Promotion & Tenure Committee, (2011-2015). University Strategic Initiative Summit Planning Committee, *Building Communities, Expanding Opportunities*, (2011-2012). University Strategic Planning, Engaged Scholarship Subcommittee (2010-2011). University of Kansas, Chancellor's Advisory Committee on Athletics (2006-2009). Faculty Governance Athletics Committee, (2007-2008). University Council (2005-2006).

Faculty and Professional Positions

National Bureau of Economic Research

Research Associate (2015-present)

University of Kansas

Regents Distinguished Professor of Economics (2022-present)

Roy A. Roberts Distinguished Professor of Economics (2020-present)

Dean's Professor of Economics, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (2018-2020)

Professor of Economics (2009-present)

Associate Professor, Department of Economics (2002-2009)

Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta

Research Economist and Associate Policy Adviser, Regional Research Team (2000-2002).

Washington University in St. Louis

Assistant Professor of Economics (1997-2001)

Southern Methodist University

Assistant Professor of Economics (1995-1997)

Summary of Academic Accomplishments (for a complete list, please see [academic CV](#)):

59 peer-reviewed publications across multiple disciplines, including:

Academic Medicine

Journal of Health Economics

American Economic Review Papers and

Journal of Population Economics

Proceedings

Nature Biotechnology

Demography

PLoS ONE

Health Affairs

Psychological Science in the Public Interest

JAMA Network Open

Research Policy

Journal of the American Statistical Association

Review of Economics & Statistics

Journal of Economic Perspectives

Science

Journal of Human Resources

Scientometrics

Extensive grant experience:

\$7.7 million in grants as principal investigator	6 Kauffman Foundation grants
11 NSF grants	37 reports from funded research
4 NIH grants	
5 Sloan Foundation grants	

Bibliometrics:

3,278 citations on *Web of Science* and 9,038 citations on Google Scholar. “Women in Academic Science: A Changing Landscape,” has been noted as a Highly Cited Paper in *Web of Science* (the top 1% of all papers cited in the field).

Honors and Awards:

Science Breakthrough of the Year, Runners-Up. 2023.
American Society for Cell Biology Public Service Award, 2021.
Carolyn Shaw Bell Award (2025), American Economic Association, awarded January 2026.

Selected Professional Activities (for a complete list, please see [academic CV](#)):

Economics Profession:

American Economic Association: Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (2006-2010); Nominations Committee (2021-2022); Committee on Professional Climate (2021-2026).
Southern Economic Association, President-elect (2024); Vice President (2021-2022); Board of Trustees (2006-2010).
Associate Editor, *Economics Bulletin* 2011–2017.

Conferences Organized:

Kansas Economic Policy Conference, University of Kansas (2008-2025)
National Bureau of Economic Research Early Career Scientists (2020-2025)
CeMENT National Mentoring Workshop, sponsored by American Economic Association
Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (2008 & 2010).

Program Reviews:

University of Texas Dallas, Economics Program, 2025.
University of Kentucky, Department of Economics, 2023.
Committee of Visitors, Division of Graduate Education, National Science Foundation (2022).
University of Kansas, Department of Computational Biology, 2017.
Science & Engineering Human Resources Expert Panel (HREP) of the National Science Foundation’s National Center for Science and Engineering Statistics (NCSES) (2010, 2013–2014, 2016, 2017).

Grant Panels:

National Science Foundation, Science of Science and Innovation Policy (2012, 2021)
National Science Foundation, Education and Human Resources (2 panels in 2020)
National Science Foundation, Future of Work (2019)

Public Service:

Center for Scientific Review Advisory Council, National Institutes of Health, 2024-2025.
National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine Committee for the Review of the Small Business Innovation Research and Small Business Technology Transfer Programs at the Department of Defense 2023-2025.
Advisory Committee to the Director of NIH Working Group on Re-Envisioning NIH Supported Postdoctoral Training 2022-2023.
National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine Committee on Meeting Regional STEMM Workforce Needs in the Wake of COVID-19: A Virtual Workshop Series 2020.
National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine Committee on Toward an Open Science Enterprise (2017–2018).
Advisory Committee to the Director of the National Institutes of Health Working Group on The Future Biomedical Research Workforce. Co-chaired the Modeling Subcommittee of this Working Group (2011–2012).

Keynote Speaker:

National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine, 2025.
University of California-Davis Research Expo, 2025.
The National Science Foundation 2025, 2013.
The James Cancer Center, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, 2024.
AAAS Annual Meeting Science Breakthrough of the Year 2023 Panel, 2024.
Association of National Human Services Summit. 2023.
National Institutes of Health, 2024, 2023, 2016, 2013.
University of Michigan Medical School, 2023.
Australian Gender Economics Workshop, 2023.
Diversity Consortium Annual Meeting, 2013.
Annual Conference on Understanding Interventions that Broaden Participation in Research Careers, 2012.
University of California, Santa Cruz, 2011.

Publications

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“Improving the Climate in the Field of Economics.” 2024—2026. Co-Impact grant to the American Economic Association, \$995,000 (with Marianne Bertrand, Anusha Chari, Misty Heggeness and Yana Rodgers).

“SCISIPBIO: Examining the Career Barriers Confronting African American or Black Biomedical Scientists.” 2022-2025. National Science Foundation, SES-2152437, \$408,187. National Institutes of General Medicine, R01GM148816, \$277,523.

“Using Publication, Patent, and NSF Grant Data Linked to the Survey of Doctorate Recipients to Understand Science Career Trajectories.” 2022-2024. National Science Foundation, NCSE-2215606, \$400,000 (with Shahnaz Parsaeian and Carlos Zambrana).

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“EAGER: Data Infrastructure to Enhance Research on the Scientific Workforce.” National Science Foundation SMA-1647187, \$149,952, 2016-2017.

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“The Economic Status of Women in Kansas, Missouri, and the Kansas City Metropolitan Area.” Women’s Foundation of Greater Kansas City. 2015 \$25,000.

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“Collaborative Research MOD: Contributions of Foreign Students to Knowledge Creation and Diffusion.” National Science Foundation, Grant Number SBE-0738347, \$294,280, 2007-2010 (with Shulamit Kahn and Megan MacGarvie).

“Collaborative Research: Workshop on linking NSF SED/SDR Data to Scientific Productivity.” National Science Foundation, Grant Number SRS-0725475, \$15,641, 2007-2008 (with Gerald Marschke and Jinyoung Kim).

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“Gender Differences in Employment Outcomes for Academics in Science and Social Science.” National Science Foundation, Grant Number SES-0353703, \$292,752, 2004-2006.

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“Alternative Estimates of Field of Study on Earnings: Do Majors Matter?” National Science Foundation, Grant Number SBR-9730705, \$17,995, 1998-99.

“Industry-Specific Human Capital and Wage Inequality: Does Displacement Explain the Dispersion?” Funded by Southern Methodist University Fund for Faculty Excellence, \$3500, 1996 (with K. Patrick Lampani).

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