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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics, University of Alabama (UA), Tuscaloosa, AL	2019
MA. Economics, University of Alabama (UA), Tuscaloosa, AL	2019
MSc. Economics, The University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica	2011
BSc. Economics & Statistics, The University of the West Indies, Mona, Jamaica	2009

FIELDS OF CONCENTRATION

(Applied) Time Series Econometrics, International Finance, Macro-Finance

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCES

Assistant Professor	2019 – Present
Virginia Tech, Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics	
Graduate Teaching Assistant	2014 - 2019
University of Alabama, Department of Economics, Finance and Legal Studies	
Economist	2012 - 2014
Bank of Jamaica, Kingston, Jamaica	

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Journal Articles:

- [1] Beverly, J., Stewart, S. L., & Neill, C. (2023). The Dynamics of Labor Force Participation: Is All Quiet on the Appalachian Front? Empirical Economics
- [2] Harrison, A., Liu, X., & Stewart, S. L. (2023). Structural sources of oil market volatility and correlation dynamics. Energy Economics, 121, 106658.
- [3] Stewart, S. L., Isengildina Massa, O., Hassman, C., & de Leon, M. (2023). ETP tracking of US agricultural and energy markets. Journal of Commodity Markets, 100344.
- [4] Wang, Y., Isengildina-Massa, O., & Stewart, S. (2022). US grass-fed beef premiums. Agribusiness.
- [5] Bian, Z., Ma, J., Ni, J., & Stewart, S. (2020). Synchronization of regional growth dynamics in China. China Economic Review, 61, 101226.

Revise and Resubmit:

- [6] Harrison, A., Liu, X., & Stewart, S. L. Is the Exchange Rate a Shock Absorber for Oil Market Fluctuations? A Generalized Structural Analysis At Journal of International Money & Finance (JIMF) [Second Round]
- [7] Wang, Y., Isengildina-Massa, O., & Stewart, S. L. Time-Varying Reaction of U.S. Meat Demand to Animal Disease Outbreaks At Applied Economic Perspectives & Policy (AEPP) [First Round]
- [8] "Determinants of Labor Force Participation Rate Comovements: The Curious Case of West Virginia" with J. Beverly and C.L. Neill At Economic Modelling [First Round]

Papers Under Review:

- [9] "Futures-Based Forecasts of Cotton Prices: Beyond Historical Averages", with A. Poghosyan and O. Isengildina Massa
- [10] "The Unemployment Invariance Hypothesis in West Virginia: A Tale of Two Indicators" with J. Beverly and C.L. Neill

Working Papers:

- [1] "Food & Oil Price Volatility Dynamics: Insights from a TVP-VAR-DCC-MIDAS Model" with O. Isengildina Massa
- [2] "Fluctuations in Special Drawing Rights: How important is US monetary policy?"
- [3] "Reserve Market Indicators and the Stability of the International Monetary Fund's Special Drawing Rights", with X. Liu

- [4] "Shift Contagion in a Time-Varying Probability Framework" with J. Ma
- [5] "Assessing the relationship between Up(Down)side Risk of Exchange rates and Economic Fundamentals" with X. Liu
- [6] "The Current Account Balance and GDP Growth in Developing Countries", with A. Harrison
- [7] "Structural Volatility Impulse Response of the IMF's Special Drawing Rights to Monetary Policy Shocks"
- [8] "Dynamics of exchange rate comovements among the G10 countries"

GRANT ACTIVITIES

Competitive:

[1] Integrated Graduate Training in Commodity Markets: A Managed Fund Approach, USDA – NIFA, 2021 – 2026

PIs: O. Isengildina Massa, S. Stewart

\$241,000

[2] Unmanned Aerial System-based micro-nutrient spray applications in soybean for managing manganese deficiency 2023 – 2024

CALS Strategic Plan Advancement 2023 Integrated Internal Competitive Grants Program

PIs: V.Singh, M. Reiter, S. Stewart, J. McGhee

\$75,000

[3] Standardization of Unmanned Aerial Systems-Based Herbicide Spray Applications in Watermelon 2023–2026

USDA-NIFA,

PIs: V.Singh, S. Stewart

\$324,833

[4] John Lee Pratt Animal Nutrition Program

2020 - 2024

"Holistic evaluation of small grain silages as feed for dairy cattle"

CALS-VT

PIs: G. Ferreira; K. Payne, S. Stewart, W. Thomason

\$225,000

Non-Competitive:

[5] Market and Trade Impacts of Russia's Invasion of Ukraine and Cross-Country Examination of GHG Emission Footprints Embodied in Agricultural Production and Trade
 2022–2023
 USDA/OCE/WAOB

PIs: J.Grant, X. He, S. Stewart

\$300,000 2022 - 2024

[6] Bridge Experience - Building Career Connections

Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning-VT

PIs: M. Ellerbrock, D. Dalton, R. Musselman, O. Isengildina-Massa, C. Holmes, S. Chen, S. Stewart, M. Holt, K. White, N. Adams \$20,000

[7] Faculty Curriculum Development Summer Funding Grant, Office of the Associate Dean, Academic Programs, CALS-VT 2021 \$2,000

\$1,750

[8] Faculty Teaching Group Grant,

Center for Excellence in Teaching and Learning

PIs: A.F. Ramsey, R. White, S. Stewart, R. Wright, J. Lahne

2020-2021

[9] (Continuation) Enhancing the Quality, Communication, & Sustainability of the Commodity Outlook Program, 2020 – 2023

Economic Research Service, Department of Agriculture

PIs: O. Isengildina Massa, S. Stewart

\$80,000

[10] Enhancing the Quality, Communication, & Sustainability of the Commodity Outlook Program, 2020 – 2022 Economic Research Service, USDA

PIs: O. Isengildina Massa, S. Stewart

\$50,000

[11] Implications of COVID-19 for Agricultural Trade

2020 - 2021

Economic Research Service, USDA

PIs: J. Bovay, S. Stewart, J. Grant

\$50,000

[12] Estimation of International Trade Elasticities, 2019 - 2021Economic Research Service, USDA PIs: J. G. Davis, C. Emlinger, J. Grant, S. Stewart \$350,000 [13] New Faculty Mentoring Project Grant 2019 Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost - VT PIs: S. Stewart \$1,500 [14] Econometric Methods for Analyzing and Forecasting Commodity Prices and Volatility 2020 - Present USDA – NIFA HATCH Project PIs: S. Stewart TEACHING ACTIVITIES Virginia Tech Analytical Methods in Applied Economics (Undergrad) Spring 2021, 2022 Commodity Investing by Students Fall 2019 - Present Economics of the Food & Fiber System (Undergrad) Spring 2020 Applied Economic Forecasting (Undergrad & Grad) Spring 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 Applied Economic Forecasting (Asynchronous – Grad) Spring 2022, 2023 University of Alabama Instructor Business Finance (Undergrad) Summer II 2015, Summer II 2016, Spring 2018 Principles Macroeconomics (Undergrad) Fall 2017 Financial Analysis and Modeling (Undergrad) Summer I 2017, Summer II 2017 Graduate Teaching Assistant Business Finance (Undergrad) Spring 2019 Time Series Econometrics (Ph.D.) Fall 2018 Financial Econometrics (Undergrad & Grad) Fall 2018 Spring 2017 Econometrics (Ph.D.) Economics of Environment & Nat. Resources (Undergrad & Grad) Spring 2017 Econometrics (Grad) Fall 2016, Fall 2015 Economic Forecasting and Analysis (Grad) Spring 2016 Int. Microeconomics (Undergrad) Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Spring 2019 GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING Virginia Tech (*Denotes Chair/Co-Chair) Ph.D. Committee Member las

 [1] Joshua Beverly* [2] Yunus Emre Karagulle [3] William McWilliams [4] Armine Poghosyan [5] Leonard-Allen Quaye* 	[6] Konstantinos Syrengela[7] Yangchuan Wang*[8] Jinyang Yang[9] Yixing Zheng
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Master's Committee Member

[1] Normand Adams*	[8] Evan McKay
[2] Henry Adkins	[9] Jean Claude Mbarushimana
[3] Momotaj Begum	[10] Huong Nguyen
[4] Jayson Gill	[11] Kolby Parton
[5] Colburn Hassman*	[12] Gurkirat Singh* (Computer Science)
[6] Derrell Joppy II*	[13] Yangchuan Wang
[7] Katie McGroddy	[14] Issac Wu

HONORS AND AWARDS

Virginia Tech:

[1] CALS Certificate of Teaching Excellence (CTE) Scholar

2022

University of Alabama:

[1] Culverhouse Business School Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Doctoral Student	2018, 2019
[2] Graduate Teaching Fellow	2018
[3] Dep. of Economics, Finance, and Legal Studies Graduate Students Summer Research Grant	2018
[4] Graduate Student Assistantship	2014 - 2019
 University of the West Indies, Mona: [1] Thomas De La Rue plc Scholarship [2] MSc. in Economics Fellowship [3] Student Research Assistant Grant 	2009 - 2011 2009 2009, 2011

PROFESSIONAL AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE

Virginia Tech

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Faculty Advisor, Commodity Investing by Students (COINS)	2019 – Present
Member, AAEC IT Advisory Committee	2020 - Present
Member, AAEC Undergraduate Program Advisory Committee	2019 - Present
Member, CALS Team Award Selection Committee	2021
Member, ALCE Assistant Professor of Adaptive/Organizational Leadership Search Committee	2021
Member, AAEC Communications and Marketing Specialist Search Committee	2021 - 2022
Member, Public Relations & Communications Search Committee,	2021

Referee

Economics Bulletin, Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics (SNDE), Journal of Commodity Markets (JCOMM), Environmental and Resource Economics, Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics (JAAE), Economic Modelling, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management (JEEM), Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics (AJARE), Environmental Research Letters (ERL)

OTHER INFORMATION

Computer Skills: R, STATA, SPSS, SAS, LATEX, GAUSS, E-Views, MATLAB

REFERENCES

Xiaochun Liu

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