

## Jeffrey R. Bloem

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RESEARCH INTERESTS	Applied development microeconomics with applications in agriculture, conflict, and psychology. Special emphasis on causal inference and applied econometrics. Interdisciplinary interests in psychology and political science.	
EDUCATION	<b>University of Minnesota</b> , Twin Cities, Minnesota Ph.D., <i>Applied Economics</i>	May 2020
	<b>Michigan State University</b> , East Lansing, Michigan M.S., <i>Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics</i>	May 2016
	<b>Calvin College</b> , Grand Rapids, Michigan B.S., <i>Economics</i>	May 2013
PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE	<b>USDA Economic Research Service</b> , Kansas City, MO <i>Research Economist</i> , International Trade & Development Branch	2020 - present
	<b>Gordon College</b> , Wenham, MA <i>Adjunct Professor</i> , Department of Economics & Business	2020 - present
	<b>University of Minnesota</b> , Twin Cities, MN <i>Graduate Research Assistant</i> , IPUMS	2016 - 2020
	<b>US Agency for International Development</b> , Washington DC <i>Research Associate</i> , Evaluation and Impact Assessment	Summer 2016
	<b>Michigan State University</b> , East Lansing, MN <i>Graduate Research Assistant</i> , NCRCRD & Food Security Group	2014 - 2016
	<b>Partners Worldwide</b> , Kitale, Kenya <i>Monitoring &amp; Evaluation Specialist</i>	2013 - 2014
	<b>Hopeline Institute</b> , Accra, Ghana <i>Research Intern</i>	Fall 2012
RESEARCH OUTPUT	<b>PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS</b>	
	<u>Jeffrey R. Bloem</u> (2020) " <a href="#">How Much Does the Cardinal Treatment of Ordinal Variables Matter? An Empirical Investigation</a> ," <i>Political Analysis</i> , forthcoming.	
	<u>Jeffrey R. Bloem</u> and Colette Salemi (2020) " <a href="#">COVID-19 and Conflict</a> ," <i>World Development</i> , Available online November 11, 2020.	
	<u>Marc F. Bellemare</u> and <u>Jeffrey R. Bloem</u> (2018) " <a href="#">Does Contract Farming Improve Welfare? A Review</a> ," <i>World Development</i> , vol. 112, pp. 259-271.	
	<u>Jeffrey R. Bloem</u> , Duncan Boughton, Kyan Htoo, Aung Hein, and Ellen Payongayong (2018) " <a href="#">Measuring Hope: A Quantitative Approach with Validation in Rural Myanmar</a> ," <i>Journal of Develop-</i>	

*ment Studies*, vol. 54, issue 11, pp. 2078-2094.

Jeffrey R. Bloem and Scott Loveridge (2018) “[The Costs of Secondary Migration: Perspectives From Local Voluntary Agencies in the U.S.](#),” *Journal of International Migration and Integration*, vol. 19, issue 2, pp. 233-251.

Jeffrey R. Bloem (2017) “[Learning toward Transformation: Evaluating Material, Social, and Spiritual Impacts in Western Kenya](#),” *Faith & Economics*, no. 69, pp. 25-61.

#### **WORKING PAPERS** — *all available on my website*

Jeffrey R. Bloem “Aspirations and Investments in Rural Myanmar,” Conditional Accept at the *Journal of Economic Inequality*.

Jeffrey R. Bloem and Bruce Wydick “All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten? Evidence from the Philippines,” Revise & Resubmit at *Economic Dev’t and Cultural Change*.

Jeffrey R. Bloem “Good Intentions Gone Bad? The Dodd-Frank Act and Conflict in Africa’s Great Lakes Region,” Revise & Resubmit at *Economic Dev’t and Cultural Change*.

Guigonan Serge Adjognon, Jeffrey R. Bloem, and Aly Sanoh “The Coronavirus Pandemic and Food Security: Evidence from West Africa,” Revise & Resubmit at *Food Policy*.

Nick Huntington-Klein (project lead), Andreu Arenas, Emily Beam, Marco Bertoni, Jeffrey R. Bloem, Pralhad Burli, Naibin Chen, Paul Greico, Godwin Ekpe, Todd Pugatch, Martin Saavedra, and Yaniv Stopnitzky “The Influence of Hidden Researcher Decisions in Applied Microeconomics,” Revise & Resubmit at *Economic Inquiry*.

Jeffrey R. Bloem and Andrew Oswald “A Robustness Test for the Analysis of Human Feelings,” Revise & Resubmit at the *Review of Income and Wealth*.

Jeffrey R. Bloem and Rashmita Gandhe “Does Psychological Well-Being Mediate Economic Well-Being? Evidence from a Multifaceted Program in the Philippines,” Revise & Resubmit at the *Journal of Development Effectiveness*.

Mo Alloush and Jeffrey R. Bloem “Neighborhood Violence, Poverty, and Psychological Well-Being,” Under review.

Marc F. Bellemare, Jeffrey R. Bloem, and Noah Wexler “The Paper of How: Estimating Treatment Effects Using the Front-Door Criterion,” Under Review.

#### **RESEARCH IN PROGRESS**

Marc F. Bellemare, Jeffrey R. Bloem, and Sunghun Lim “Producers, Consumers, and Value Chains in Developing Countries”

Khandker Wahedure Rahman and Jeffrey R. Bloem “Digital Finance and Economic Empowerment: Experimental Evidence on the Role of Transaction Costs”

David C. Francis, Harrison Mitchell, Amy Damon, and Jeffrey R. Bloem “Herder Related Violence and Informal Work as a Safety Net”

Jeffrey R. Bloem and Jarrad Farris “The Coronavirus Pandemic and Global Food Security: A Review”

#### **POLICY BRIEFS**

Jeffrey R. Bloem and Scott Loveridge (2017) “[The Secondary Migration of Refugees Resettled in the US](#),” *Forced Migration Review*, issue 54, pp. 26-28.

Jeffrey R. Bloem (2014) “[Refugees in Rural Communities: A Win-Win?](#),” *National Agriculture and*

*Rural Development Policy Center*, brief no. 34.

## INVITED BOOK REVIEWS

Jeffrey R. Bloem (2020) “[Book Review of ‘Shrewd Samaritan: Faith, Economics, and the Road to Loving Our Global Neighbor’ by Bruce Wydick](#),” *Christian Relief, Development, and Advocacy*, issue 1 no. 2.

Jeffrey R. Bloem (2018) “[Book Review of ‘Cents and Sensibility: What Economists Can Learn from the Humanities’ by Gary Saul Morson and Morton Schapiro](#),” *Faith & Economics*, issue no. 71.

Marc F. Bellemare and Jeffrey R. Bloem (2018) “[Book Review of ‘Experimental Conversations: Perspectives on Randomized Trials in Developing Countries’ \(ed.\) Timothy Ogden](#),” *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, vol. 100, issue 2, pp. 642-643.

Jeffrey R. Bloem (2016) “[Book Review of ‘Economics Rules: The Rights and Wrongs of the Dismal Science’ by Dani Rodrik](#),” *Faith & Economics*, issue no. 68, pp. 121-126.

Jeffrey R. Bloem (2015) “[Book Review of ‘Misbehaving: The Making of Behavioral Economics’ by Richard H. Thaler](#),” *Faith & Economics*, issue no. 66, pp. 169-174.

## RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

### 2020

- Households in Conflict Network (HiCN) Annual Workshop, Virtual
- Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Meeting, Kansas City, MO
- Online Agricultural and Resource Economics Seminar (OARES)
- Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) Conference, University of Oxford, UK
- Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA) Annual Meetings, San Diego, CA

### 2019

- Economics Seminar, Dept. of Economics, Towson University, Towson, MD
- Sustainability and Development Conference, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
- Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Meeting, Atlanta, GA
- Midwest International Economic Development Conference (MidDev), Madison, WI
- Economics Seminar, Dept. of Economics, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI
- Centre for the Study of African Economies (CSAE) Conference, University of Oxford, UK

### 2018

- North East Universities Development Consortium (NEUDC), Cornell University, Ithaca, NY
- Development Economics Seminar, Dept. of Economics, Macalester College, St. Paul, MN
- Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Meeting, Washington DC

### 2017

- Midwest Group in African Political Economy (MGAPE), Northwestern University, Evanston, IL

### 2016

- Agricultural and Applied Economics Association (AAEA) Meeting, Boston, MA
- Economics Seminar, Dept. of Economics, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI
- Global Agriculture Summit, Dordt College, Sioux Center, IA

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Gordon College**, Wenham, MA  
*Department of Economics & Business*

**Fall 2020 - Spring 2021**

*Adjunct Professor*

- Economics 305: Economic Development

- Economics 366: International Economics

**Macalester College**, St. Paul, MN  
*Department of Economics* **Spring 2019**  
 Teaching mentorship with Amy Damon

- Economics 119: Principles of Economics
- Economics 381: Econometrics

**University of Minnesota**, Twin Cities, MN **2018 - 2019**  
*Preparing Future Faculty (PFF) Program*  
 A specialized program designed to assist advanced graduate students become more responsive and reflective teachers.

*Guest Lectures*

- Applied Economics 3071: Microeconomics of International Development

*Research Advising and Mentoring*

- Rashmita Gandhe, Wayzata High School, Minnesota Scholars of Distinction  
 “Does Psychological Well-Being Mediate Economic Well-Being? Short-Run Evidence from a Multifaceted Program in the Philippines
- Harrison Mitchell, Macalester College, honors thesis research project  
 “The Effects of Conflict on Household Agricultural Investment in Nigeria”

SERVICE &  
LEADERSHIP

**Referee for:**

*African Journal of Agricultural Research · Agribusiness: An International Journal · Agricultural Economics · American Journal of Agricultural Economics · Australian Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics · Business Strategy and Development · East African Agricultural and Forestry Journal · Economics of Transition · Faith & Economics · Food Policy · Journal of Agricultural Science and Technology · Journal of Integrative Agriculture · Journal of International Migration and Integration · World Development · 2019 & 2020 AAEA Annual Meeting · 2019 & 2020 IPUMS Research Award*

**Co-organizer**, Online Agricultural and Resource Economics Seminar **2020 - present**  
**Member**, AAEA Economics, Statistics, & Information Resources Committee **2020 - present**  
**Treasurer**, UMN APEC Graduate Student Club **2018 - 2019**  
**Member**, UMN APEC Awards Committee **2017 - 2018**  
**Chair**, MSU AFRE Brown Bag Seminar **2015 - 2016**  
**Coordinator**, MSU AFRE Prospective Student Committee **2015 - 2016**

AWARDS,  
FELLOWSHIPS,  
& GRANTS

*Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship* **Spring 2019**  
 The Graduate School, University of Minnesota  
*International Conference Travel Grant* **Spring 2019**  
 Council of Graduate Students (COGS), University of Minnesota  
*Interdisciplinary Dissertation Proposal Development Program* **Spring 2017**  
 Institute for Advanced Study, University of Minnesota (declined)  
*Higher Education Solutions Network Fellowship* **Spring 2016**  
 Global Center for Food Systems Innovation, Michigan State University

*Best “In Progress Research” Presentation* **Spring 2016**  
Graduate Research Symposium, AFRE, Michigan State University

*A. Allen Schmid Fellowship in Institutional Economics* **Spring 2015**  
AFRE, Michigan State University

WORKSHOPS *Agricultural Markets and Trade Policy* **Summer 2020**  
NBER Summer Institute, Boston, MA

*Measuring and Tracking Subjective Well-Being for Aging Research* **Summer 2018**  
NBER Summer Institute, Boston, MA

*Global Food Security Symposium* **Spring 2016**  
The Chicago Council on Global Affairs, Chicago, IL

*Applying Experimental Economics to Food and Agri-Environmental Issues* **Summer 2015**  
AAEA Post-Conference Meeting, San Francisco, CA

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