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Education:

- Ph.D., Agricultural Economics, Oklahoma State University, 2003
Specialization: Rural and regional development, regional computable general equilibrium modeling
Dissertation: “The Effect of Increased Investment in Transportation Infrastructure on Oklahoma’s Economic Development”
- M.S., Environmental Science, Oklahoma State University, 2001
Specialization: Environmental economics
Report: “Computable General Equilibrium Modeling for Environmental Policy Analysis: A Survey of the Literature”
- B.S., Agricultural Economics, Oklahoma State University, 1998
Marketing and Business option

Professional Experience:

- Assistant Professor September 2006 – present
Louisiana Tech University, Department of Agricultural Sciences, Center for Rural Development. Responsibilities: delivery of educational programs and technical analyses intended to strengthen rural communities in Louisiana; initiate and support an active program of applied research; CGE modeling for policy analysis; economic impact analysis; information referral; other public finance and regional economics applied research; teaching.

Teaching Experience

Louisiana Tech University

AGBU 220, Principles of Agricultural Economics
AGBU 230, Principles and Practices of Agricultural Marketing
AGBU 310, Agricultural Policy
AGBU 402, Farm and Agribusiness Management
AGBU 450, Natural Resource Economics
RDEV 510 Introduction To Rural Economic Development
RDEV 540 Grant Writing for Rural Development

Awards and Honors

Distinguished Service Award, Mid-Continent Regional Science Association. (May 2009).
Scholarly Activity Award, Louisiana Tech University College of Applied and Natural Sciences (April 2010)
Research Award, Louisiana Tech University College of Applied and Natural Sciences (April 2011)

Grants

Lusby, Aaron (Principal), Kennedy, Gary A. (Co-Principal), Rea, Kenneth (Co-Principal), Long, David W. (Supporting), Nwoha, O John (Supporting), "USDA Higher Education Challenge Grant

- Louisiana Tech Rural Development Certification Program," Sponsored by USDA, Federal, \$86,990.00. (October 1, 2008 - September 30, 2011).
- Kennedy, Gary A. (Co-Principal), Lusby, Aaron (Co-Principal), Rea, Kenneth W. (Co-Principal), "Louisiana Rural Development Center," Sponsored by USDA, Federal, \$104,637.00. (July 1, 2008 - June 30, 2010).
- Overby, Aleta C. (Principal), Lusby, Aaron (Co-Principal), Tucker, Erin A. (Co-Principal), "The ARK Project," Sponsored by Campus Compact Service Learning, Other, \$6,500.00. (July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2010).
- Lusby, Aaron (Principal), Kennedy, Gary A. (Co-Principal), "Sparta Conservation Service Learning Project," Sponsored by University of Louisiana System, State, \$6,510.00. (December 10, 2008 - November 20, 2009).
- Kennedy, Gary A. (Principal), Lusby, Aaron (Co-Principal), "Promoting Public Involvement in Efforts to Ensure the Sparta Region's Freshwater Future," Sponsored by Sparta Groundwater Conservation District Commission, State, \$3,000.00. (June 4, 2009 - August 14, 2009).
- Overby, Aleta C. (Principal), Lusby, Aaron (Co-Principal), Green, William H. (Co-Principal), "The CARE Project," Sponsored by ULS System/ Service Learning Grant, State, \$9,301.45. (January 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008).
- Overby, Aleta C. (Co-Principal), Kennedy, Gary A. (Co-Principal), Lusby, Aaron (Co-Principal), Kenneth, Rea (Principal), "Rural Development Center, Louisiana," Sponsored by USDA CSREES Special Research Grant, Federal, \$106,285.00. (July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2008).

Refereed Journal Articles

- Lusby, A. (2011). The Impact of the Workforce Investment Act on Technical School and Community College Enrollment in Louisiana. *Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy*, 40(2 (2010)), 171-179. <http://www.jrap-journal.org/pastvolumes/2010/v40/index402.html>
- Lusby, A., Cader, H. A. (2011). The Workforce Investment Act and Worker Shortage in Rural Health: Preliminary Evidence from Louisiana. *Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy*, 40(2 (2010)), 180-187. <http://www.jrap-journal.org/pastvolumes/2010/v40/index402.html>
- Overby, A. C., Tucker, E. A., Lusby, A. (2012). Issues with Implementing Service Learning into an Agricultural Sciences Equine Program. *Journal of Community Engagement and Higher Education*, 3(1), 4 pages. <https://discovery.indstate.edu/ojs/index.php/joce/>
- Lusby, A. (2010). Impact of Student Self and Peer Assessment of Group Projects. *North American Colleges and Teachers of Agriculture, 2009 Abstracts and Awards*, Page 7.
- Springer, J. D., Lusby, A., Leatherman, J. C., Featherstone, A. M. (2009). An Evaluation of Alternative Tax and Expenditure Limitation Policies on Kansas Local Governments. *Public Budgeting and Finance/Public Financial Publications, Inc.*, 29(2 (Summer 2009)), 48-70. <http://www3.interscience.wiley.com/journal/117963338/home>

Conference Proceedings

- Lusby, A., Tidwell, S. (2010). *Rural Community Recovery from Natural Disasters* (2010th ed., pp. 77-87). Mid-Continent Regional Science Association. <http://www.mcrrsa.org/Assets/Documents/Proceedings/MCRSA%202010%20Proceedings.pdf>
- Lusby, A., Hinton, M. (2010). In John Leatherman (Ed.), *The Impact of Levy Systems on the Economies and Agricultural Industries of Rural Communities in Louisiana* (2010th ed., pp. 88-91). Mid-Continent Regional Science Association. <http://www.mcrrsa.org/Assets/Documents/Proceedings/MCRSA%202010%20Proceedings.pdf>
- Lusby, A. (2009). In John Leatherman (Ed.), *A Spatial Analysis of the Relationship between Public Highway Capital* (pp. 35-49). Manhattan, KS: Mid-Continent Regional Science Association. http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/mcrrsa/pdf_files/2009_conference_proceedings.pdf
- Lusby, A. (2009). In John Leatherman (Ed.), *Potential for Hispanic Population Growth to Combat Rural Decline in Kansas*. Manhattan, KS: Mid-Continent Regional Science Association. http://www.ksre.ksu.edu/mcrrsa/pdf_files/2009_conference_proceedings.pdf

Periodicals

Aaron Lusby. (2010) 5:1 "The Rural Economy and Agriculture." *Rural Louisiana, The Newsletter for the Louisiana Tech Rural Development Center*