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Current Positions

Osborne Postdoctoral Fellow, UCLA
Sept. 2023 – Present
Price Center for Entrepreneurship
Strategy Group, Anderson School of Management

Previous Positions

Mansueto Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Chicago
Sept. 2021 – Aug. 2023
Department of Sociology and Mansueto Institute for Urban Innovation

Education

Doctor of Philosophy in Geography, UCLA
Awarded 2021
Dissertation: *The Evolution of Technological Knowledge Across Space and Time*
Committee: Jacob Foster, Allen Scott, Michael Storper, David Rigby (Chair)

Bachelor of Arts, Colgate University
Awarded 2014
High honors in Economics and in Geography

Working Papers

Esposito, C. Age, Death, and the Nucleus of Innovation.

Papers Under Review

Esposito, C., and Van der Wouden, F. Knowledge Obsolescence and the Organization of Invention. Under review.

Wu, R., **Esposito, C.** [Co-Lead Author], and Evans, J. The Silk Road of Science. Under review.

Esposito, C., Leamer, E., and Nickelsburg, J. Who Paid Los Angeles' Minimum Wage? A Side-by-Side Minimum Wage Experiment in Los Angeles County. Revisions submitted to *Journal of Human Resources.*

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Esposito, C. 2023. The Geography of Breakthrough Invention in the United States over the 20th Century. *Research Policy* 52 (7).

Esposito, C. 2022. Cycles of Regional Innovative Growth. *Journal of Economic Geography* 23 (1).

Esposito, C., Rigby, D. 2019. Buzz and Pipelines: The Costs and Benefits of Local and Non-Local Interaction. *Journal of Economic Geography* 19 (3).

Undergraduate Publications

Meyer, W., **Esposito, C.** 2014. Burgess and Hoyt in L.A.: Testing the Chicago Models in the Automobile-Age American City. *Urban Geography* 36 (2).

Meyer, W., **Esposito, C.** 2014. Residential Patterns in the Pre-Automobile American City. *Geographical Review* 104 (3).

Research in Progress

Lockhardt, J., Chen, Z., **Esposito, C.**, Shi, F., and Evans, J. China Rises to Global Leadership in Emerging Science and Technology. **Preparation Stage:** Final revisions before submission to *Science*.

Esposito, C., and Ward, R. Knowledge Integration in Teams. **Preparation stage:** Data analysis.

Esposito, C., and Evans, J. An Ecological Model of Disruptive Innovation. **Preparation stage:** Data analysis.

Teaching Experience

Guest speaker: Organizations and Management MBA course
University of Chicago Booth School of Business
Spring 2023

Guest Speaker: Ethics in AI Research: Insights from the Social Sciences
University of Chicago Data Science Institute
Spring 2023

M236: Regional Economics and Development. Graduate level course
Winter 2019, winter 2020, and winter 2021

GEOG 7: Introduction to GIS
Fall 2019 and fall 2020. Online course (both terms)

GEOG 5: People and Earth's Ecosystems
Spring 2019 and spring 2021

Journal Referee Service

Nature Human Behavior, *Research Policy*, *Journal of Economic Geography*, *Regional Studies*

Academic and Professional Service

Director of Seminars
Knowledge Lab at the University of Chicago
Spring 2023

Global E-Seminar Series Co-Founder and Director
Seminars in Economic Geography (SEG)
April 2020-December 2022

Pan-Social Sciences Methods Workshop Organizer
Supercomputing for Social Scientists: Getting Going on UCLA's Hoffman Supercomputer
Jan. 2020

Research Workshop Organizer
Workshop in Regional Economic Development and Innovation (REDI)
May 2016 and Mar. 2017

Awards and Honors

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow
May 2015 – 2020

UCLA Geography Graduate Student Publication Award
Awarded for "Buzz and Pipelines: The Costs and Benefits of Local and Non-Local Interaction," published in *Journal of Economic Geography* (2019)

International Institute of Applied Systems Analysis (IIASA) Fellowship
July 2018 – Aug. 2018
Funded by the U.S. National Academy of Sciences

UCLA Graduate Research Fellow
Sept. 2015 – June 2016

Colgate University Shannon McCune Award for Excellence in Geography
May 2014

Professional Association Membership

Academy of Management

American Association of Geographers

Presentations at Conferences and Invited Seminars

2023: AOM Boston, ICSSI Northwestern, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, UNICAMP Brazil, Toronto Munk School of Global Affairs

2022: Stanford GSB, Columbia Business School, Maryland Smith School of Business, Georgia Tech School of Public Policy, Entrepreneurship and Innovation Policy Seminar Series (EIP), AOM Seattle, ICSSI Washington DC, Research Policy Early Career Workshop, Kellogg School of Management

2021: Druid Copenhagen, Knowledge Lab at UChicago, Regional Studies Association, UCLA Anderson School of Management, Toronto Munk School of Global Affairs
DRUID Annual Conference. Copenhagen. October 2021.

2020: Seminars in Economic Geography

2019: Urban Economics Association Philadelphia, Harvard Kennedy School of Government, AAG Washington DC

2018: Global Conference in Economic Geography Cologne, Young Economic Geographers Workshop Lindlar, AAG New Orleans, Geography of Innovation Barcelona

2017: Uddevalla Symposium, Regional Studies Association Dublin, AAG Boston

2016: Harvard Kennedy School of Government, Uddevalla, Utrecht University, Young Economic Geographers Workshop Bern, AAG San Francisco, Geography of Innovation Toulouse

Technical Skills

R | Python | ARCMAP | QGIS | Linux/BASH | STATA

References

Prof. James Evans: jevans@uchicago.edu

Prof. David Rigby: rigby@geog.ucla.edu

Prof. Jacob Foster: foster@soc.ucla.edu

Prof. Michael Storper: storper@ucla.edu

Prof. Edward Leamer: leamer@ucla.edu