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CURRENT POSITION

Associate Professor of Economics, Macalester College	2015-present
Director, Program in International Development	2011-present
Faculty, Latin American Studies Program, Macalester College	2008–present

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Agriculture and Applied Economics, University of Minnesota Minor: Development Studies and Social Change	May 2008
M.S. Agricultural Economics, Michigan State University	May 2001
B.A. Environmental Studies, Minor: Economics. University of Vermont	May 1997

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS[1]

Bauchet, Jonathan, Amy Damon and Vance Larsen. (2017) "Microfinance bundling and consumer protection: Experimental evidence from Colombia" with Jonathan Bauchet and Vance. *Forthcoming in Journal of Development Effectiveness*

Disa Hynsjo* and Amy Damon (2016) "Cognitive Achievement and Medium of Instruction: The effect of bilingual education in Peru" *Economics of Education Review* (53):116-153.

Damon, Amy and Suzanne Wisniewski. (2015) "Migration Responses to Adverse Household Shocks: Do Family Relationships and Types of Shocks Matter?" *Migration and Development,* 4:1, 4-22,

Damon, Amy and Devon Kristiansen*. (2014) "Childhood obesity in Mexico: the effect of international migration" *Agricultural Economics* 45: 1-17.

Damon, Amy, and Diego Nicola. (2014) "Angel Investment and Collective Agricultural Marketing: The Case of the Minnesota Food Network" *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*. March 96(2).

Damon, Amy, Carmen D. Parrotta, Lindsey A. Wallace and William Riley. (2013) "The Effectiveness of Providing Evidenced-based Perinatal Practice To Low-income Populations Providing Perinatal Care: Does Patient Income Influence the Delivery of Quality Care?" *Journal of Hospital Administration.* vol. 2(4).

Rentsch, Dennis and Amy Damon (2013) "Prices, Poaching, and Protein Alternatives: An

[1] * denotes a collaboration with a Macalester student.

analysis of bushmeat consumption around Serengeti National Park, Tanzania" *Ecological Economics.* vol. 91:1-9.

Damon, Amy, Rob King, and Ephraim Leibtag. (2013) "First of the Month Effect: Does it apply across food retail channels?" *Food Policy* August, vol. 41:18-27.

Damon, Amy and Paul Glewwe. (2011) "Valuing the benefits of the education provided by public universities: A case study of Minnesota" *Economics of Education Review,* vol. 30:6 page 1242-1261.

Damon, Amy (2010) "Agricultural Land Use and Asset Accumulation in Migrant Households: The Case of El Salvador" *Journal of Development Studies* Vol. 46:1 pages 162 - 189.

Damon, Amy and Paul Glewwe. (2009) "Three Proposals to Improve Education in the LAC Region: Estimates of the Costs and Benefits of Each Strategy." In: Latin American Development Priorities, edited by Bjorn Lomborg. New York, NY: Cambridge University Press.

Glewwe, Paul and Amy Damon. (2008) "Children and Development." In: International Handbook of Development Economics, Volume 2, edited by Amitava Krishna Dutt and Jaime Ros. Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar.

Jansen, Hans G.P., Angel Rodriguez, Amy Damon, John Pender, Jacqueline Chenier and Rob Schipper. (2006) "Determinants of income-earning strategies and adoption of conservation practices in hillside communities in rural Honduras." *Agricultural Systems*, Volume 88, Issue 1, April: 92-110.

Jansen, Hans G. P., John Pender, Amy Damon, Willem Wielemaker, Rob Schipper. (2006) "Policies for sustainable development in the hillside areas of Honduras: a quantitative livelihoods approach." *Agricultural Economics.* Vol. 34, March: 141-153.

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

"Asymmetric information in microinsurance markets: Experimental evidence from Mexico" with Jonathan Bauchet and Brian Hunter. *Resubmitted*

"What Education Policies and Programs Affect Learning and Time in School in Developing Countries? A Review of Academic and Aid Agency Evaluations from 1990 to 2014 for the Swedish Expert Group for Aid Studies (EBA)" with Paul Glewwe, Bixuan Sun, and Suzanne Wisniewski. *Revise and Resubmit*

"The effect of polygamy on agricultural input decisions" with Aine McCarthy. *Under review*

"Household size and its effect on natural resource consumption" with Aine McCarthy, Brooke Krause, and Eleanore Fuqua* (supported by a Macalester faculty-student summer research grant)

"The effect of Conditional Cash Transfers on the Micronutrient Transition" with Natalie Kronebusch*.

"Supermarket placement and obesity outcomes in Mexico" with Rachel Siegel* and Lindsay Novak

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Damon, Amy. (2008) "The Impact of Migration and Remittances on Agricultural Development and Household Labor Decisions in El Salvador." Dissertation, University of Minnesota.

Damon, Amy and Paul Glewwe. (2007) "Three Proposals to Improve Education in Latin America and the Caribbean: Estimates of the Cost and Benefits of Each Strategy: A Summary." *Estrategia y Negocios.* August.

Jansen, Hans G. P., John Pender, Amy Damon, and Rob Schipper. (2006). "Rural Development Policies and Sustainable Land Use in the Hillside Areas of Honduras: A Quantitative Livelihoods Approach." *International Food Policy Research Institute Research Report,* No. 147.

Jansen, Hans, Angel Rodríguez, Amy Damon, and John Pender, (2003). "Determinantes de estrategias comunitarias para ganarse la vida y el uso de prácticas de producción agrícola conservacionistas en las zonas de ladera en Honduras". (Determinants of community livelihood strategies and the use of conservation agricultural production practices) *EPTD Discussion Paper No. 104*, Washington, D.C.: International Food Policy Research Institute.

Damon, Amy. (2003) "Can Remittances Break the Cycle of Poverty?" *Hunger Notes*, Nov.

Damon, Amy. (2001) "Attachment Value and Farmland Prices". MS Thesis, Department of Agricultural Economics, Michigan State University.

Wolf, Christopher, Steven Harsh, Shawn Bucholtz, Amy Damon, Jim Lloyd. (2000) "Michigan Dairy Farm Industry: Summary and Analysis of the 1999 Michigan State Dairy Farm Survey." *Michigan Agricultural Experiment Station,* Report 573. December.

Mainville, Denise and Amy Damon. (1998) "Dairy Production and Marketing Commodity Systems Profile." Belize, Central America. *Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture, Misc. Publication Series.*

Brady, Caitlin and Amy Damon. (1998) "Dairy Import Substitution and Beef Exports: Trade Possibilities for Belize", Belize, Central America. *Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture, Misc. Publication Series.*

Damon, Amy and Caitlin Brady. (1998). "Beef Production and Marketing Commodity Systems Profile." Belize, Central America, *Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture, Misc. Publication Series.*

GRANTS FUNDED

Faculty-Student Research Grant, Macalester College, Summer 2016.
Amount Awarded: $3,800.
Funded Eleanor Fuqua to work on data examining how natural resource consumption is affected by household composition.

Faculty-Student Research Grant, Macalester College, Summer 2016.

Amount Awarded: $3,800.
Funded Hope Johnson to look at how local food systems affect local food security.

Swedish International Development Agency, 2015
Amount Awarded: $60,000
Funded a major research project to review all education evaluations programs in developing countries in an effort to inform SIDA's investment in education programming in developing countries.

Faculty-Student Research Grant, Macalester College, Summer 2014.
Amount Awarded: $3,800.
Funded analysis examining the effect of livestock ownership on bushmeat consumption in Tanzania.

Sylvia Lane Mentoring Fellowship 2012.
Funded collaborative research between myself an Aine McCarthy a PhD student in Applied Economics at University of Minnesota.

"Conservation Research for East Africa's Threatened Ecosystems (CREATE)" European Union (co-PI with Dennis Rentsch, Frankfurt Zoological Society, and Deborah Levison, University of Minnesota). Funded by the European Union: 2010-2015
Amount Awarded: 1.5 million Euros.
This grant will support a major data collection effort in Tanzania and Zambia to examine the threat of poverty and natural resource use in ecosystem conservation. I will be specifically involved in the development and analysis of data from a large household survey. We expect a number of peer-reviewed publications to result from these activities.

Faculty-Student Research Grant, Macalester College, Summer 2009.
Amount Awarded: $4,000.
Funded qualitative research data collection in Nicaragua during Summer 2009. The student collected information on household behavior related to light and education.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor of Economics, Macalester College 2008–2015

Research Assistant – University of Minnesota, Agriculture and Applied Economics 2004 – 2008

Research Assistant – University of Minnesota 2004 – 2005

USDA Household Food Expenditures Project with Professor Robert King

Consultant – The World Bank, Washington D.C., 2006
Development Economics Research Group with Klaus Deininger

Consultant – Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Minneapolis, MN 2006

Consultant – Opportunity International, a global microfinance organization 2005

Mickey Leland International Congressional Hunger Fellow – International Food Policy Research Institute (IFPRI), Washington, DC, 2002 – 2003
Environmental Production and Technology Division with Hans Jansen and John Pender

Mickey Leland International Congressional Hunger Fellow - Fundación Nacional para el Desarrollo (FUNDE), San Salvador, El Salvador, 2001 – 2002
Rural Development Strategy Prioritization Project

Research Assistant – Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI, 1999 – 2001
Agricultural Economics – Dairy Industry Research

Applied Research Study Abroad Program Coordinator – Community Development and Applied Economics, University of Vermont, Belize, 1998 – 1999

Program Associate - Inter-American Institute for Cooperation on Agriculture (IICA), Belize, Rotational Grazing and Dairy Development Project. 1997 – 1998

TEACHING

- Principles of Economics (ECON 119): Fall 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015; Spring 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017.
- Economics of Global Food Problems (ECON 333): Fall 2008, 2012; Spring 2010, 2011, 2014
- International Economic Development (ECON 426): Fall 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017.
- Economics of International Migration (ECON 294): Spring 2009
- Introduction to Econometrics: Spring 2017
- Development, Environment, and Sustainability: Fall 2017

ACADEMIC AWARDS AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 2016-2017 Educator of the Year Award, Macalester College 2017
- Student-Faculty Research Grant, Macalester College 2014, 2016
- Sylvia Lane Award with Aine McCarthy, AAEA 2012
- Student-Faculty Research Grant, Macalester College, 2009
- Heug-Harrison Dissertation Year Fellowship, Full Academic Year, 2007-2008
- Center for International Food and Agricultural Policy travel grant, 2005
- Macarthur Pre-dissertation travel grant, 2005
- Macarthur Interdisciplinary Program on Global Change, Sustainability and Justice Graduate Fellowship, Full Academic Year, 2003-2004
- Mickey Leland International Congressional Hunger Fellowship, 2001-2003
- Michigan State University Agricultural Economics Fellowship, 1999 – 2001

PAST ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Visiting Instructor	St. Olaf College, Economics Department	Spring 2008
Teaching Assistant	University of Minnesota, Applied Economics	Fall 2006
Teaching Assistant	Michigan State University, Agricultural Economics	Fall 2000
Teaching Assistant	University of Vermont, Environmental Studies	Spring 1997

LANGUAGE ABILITY

English (native speaker), Spanish (fluent), French (basic)

STATISTICAL PACKAGES: Stata, SAS