

# ACRDC Newsletter

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*A report of activities of the Atlanta Census Research Data Center*

## Florida State University Newest ACRDC Member



As of January 1, 2015, Florida State University becomes the 10th member of the Atlanta Census Research Data Center. This means that the ACRDC now has researchers from five different states! Florida State is located in Tallahassee, FL.

## CES Dissertation Mentorship Program

Doctoral students actively engaged in dissertation research using microdata at an RDC are eligible to apply for this program. Successful applicants will be assigned one or more CES staff economists as mentors who can provide advice for use of Census Bureau microdata. In addition, CES pays travel expenses for program participants to visit the Center for Economic Studies to meet in person with staff economists and to present their research in progress. Further details can be found [here](#).

## Projects and Proposals

See the ACRDC web site (<http://acrdc.gsu.edu>) for information and links for writing proposals. The list below reflects only those projects that are active or are under review. There are many more in production.

### Florida State University:

"Improving the Connection Between the Spatial and the Survey Sciences"  
by David Folch, Nicholas Nagle (UT-Knoxville), and Seth Spielman (U of CO) Active

### Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta:

"Estimating Dynamic Models in Imperfectly Competitive Markets" by Tim Dunne, Daniel Xu (Duke), Mark Roberts (Penn State), and Shawn Klimek (Census) Active

"Research on Regional Economic Indicators and Current Business Dynamics" by, Tim Dunne, Javier Miranda (Census), Emin Dinlersoz (Census), Kimberley Bayard (Fed Board of Governors), John Stevens (Fed Board of Governors) Active

"The Role of Social Capital in Labor Markets, Migration, and Survey Response" by Julie Hotchkiss; Anil Rupasingha (USDA); and Yanling Qi and Tom Qu (GSU) Active

"Developing Historic Data on U.S. Manufacturing"  
by Tim Dunne, Randy Becker (Census) and Cheryl Grim (Census) Active



**Georgia State University:**

- "Determinants of Educational and Developmental Outcomes among Adopted and Non-adopted Children" by Regina Werum (Emory), Tomeka Davis (GSU), Irene Browne (Emory), and Simon Cheng (U of CT) Active
- "Geospatial Factors and Impacts II" by Lee Mobley and Tzy-Mey Kuo (UNC-Chapel Hill) Active
- "An Econometric Framework for Causal Analysis of Obesity Policy Alternatives" by Charles Courtemanche Approved
- "The Long-run Determinants of Social, Demographic, and Economic Characteristics and Processes" by Spencer Banzhaf, Melissa Banzhaf (Census), Martha Bailey (U of Michigan), and Janet Currie (Princeton) Approved
- "Identifying Agglomeration Spillovers: New Evidence from Large Plant Openings" by Carlianne Patrick and Park Partridge (Ohio State U) Approved
- "Do Big Box Grocers Improve Food Security?" by Charles Courtemanche Active

**University of Georgia:**

- "LEHD Infrastructure Project" by Ian Schmutte and others at Cornell U Active
- "Employee Risk Tolerance and Corporate Decisions" by Jack He, Tao Shu, Huan Yang Active
- "Home Equity Lending and Small Business: Relaxing Constraints in Texas" by Ian Schmutte, William Lastrapes, and Chadi Abdallah (Miami University) Active
- "Immigrant Entrepreneurship with a Focus on Latino Entrepreneurship" by Myriam Quispe-Agnoli, Anil Rupasingha, Craig Carpenter (Michigan State), and Scott Loveridge (Michigan State) Active

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:**

- "Assess the Effect of Indoor Tanning on Melanoma" by Ying Zhou; Yang Liu and Dana Huang (Emory) Approved
- "National Immunization Survey: Evaluation Survey" by Phil Smith Active

**University of Tennessee-Knoxville:**

- "Imputing Small Area Sample Weights for Public Use Microdata: Increasing the Geographic Scope of the PUMS" by Nicholas Nagle, Kevin Krivacsy, Ephraim Love, Barbara Battenfield (U of CO), and Stefan Leyke (U of CO) Active
- "Contextual Effects of Community Characteristics on Health Care Behaviors among Older Foreign-born Individuals" by Sunha Choi Active
- "Access to Healthcare among Asian Subgroups in the U.S.: Examining the Interaction between Community- and Individual-level Characteristics using Multilevel Modeling" by Sunha Choi Active



**Georgia Institute of Technology:**

- "Evaluating the Long-term Effect of NIST MEP Services on Establishment Performance"  
by Jan Youtie, Sanjay Arora, and Cliff Lipscomb (Greenfield Advisors) *Active*
- "Organizations in the Digital Economy: Information Technology Use, Complementary Investments, and Their Impacts on Firm Outcomes"  
by Chris Forman, Patricia Angle, Kristina McElheran (Harvard), Lynn Riggs (Baylor), Naomi Hausman (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Robert Bray (Northwestern), and Mercedes Delgado (Temple University) *Active*

**Emory University:**

- "Food Allergen Labeling Mandates: Optimal Design of Risk Information Policies"  
by Maria Vyshmya Aslam *Active*
- "The Contribution of Cardiovascular Risk Factors to Health Expectancies and Medicare Costs Among U.S. Adults"  
by Neil Mehta and David Frisvold (U of Iowa) *Approved*
- "Business Cycles and the Behavior of Constrained and Unconstrained Firms"  
by Kaiji Chen, Zhao Li, and Tong Xu; and Patrick Higgins, and Tao Zha (Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta) *Approved*

**Other:**

- "Disability Insurance and Employment Decisions"  
by Susan Chen (University of Alabama); Tanya Byker, John Bound, Peter Hudomiet, Ann Rodgers, Bryan Stuart, Desmond Toohey (University of Michigan), and Angela VanDerwerken (University of Albany) *Active*

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