

ALLAN DAVIDS

School of Economics, University of Cape Town

allan.davids@uct.ac.za · allandav.github.io

Consumer and Household Finance · Urban Economics · Public Economics

APPOINTMENTS

2023–	Senior Lecturer, School of Economics, University of Cape Town
2022–2023	South African Reserve Bank Research Chair in Financial Stability
2020–2022	Lecturer, School of Economics, University of Cape Town

EDUCATION

2022	PhD in Economics, University of Cape Town
2017	Visiting PhD student, Stern School of Business, New York University
2016	MCom Economics <i>with distinction</i> , Stellenbosch University
2015	BCom (Hons) Economics, Stellenbosch University
2013	BA Value and Policy Studies, Stellenbosch University

VISITING POSITIONS

2019	Visiting Researcher – Department of Finance, Imperial College Business School
2017	Visiting Researcher – Institute for New Economic Thinking, University of Oxford

RESEARCH

Working Papers

“[Diffuse Bunching with Frictions: Theory and Estimation](#)” (with Santosh Anagol, Ben Lockwood and Tarun Ramadorai), October 2022

“[Social learning in a Covid-19 Network Model](#)” (with Gideon du Rand, Co-Pierre Georg, Tina Koziol, Joeri Schasfoort), April 2021 - *Resubmitted, Journal of Economic Behaviour and Organization*

“[The Cape of Good Homes: Exchange Rate Depreciations, Foreign Demand and House Prices](#)”, May 2020

In Progress

“Home foreclosure discounts and investment outcomes”

Policy-related

1. “The consumer credit landscape in South Africa” (with Esti Kemp), *South African Reserve Bank Financial Stability Topical Briefing*, January 2017

TEACHING

2021–	Econometrics (Postgraduate - ECO4016F), School of Economics, University of Cape Town
2020–	Policy Analysis (Postgraduate - ECO4028S), School of Economics, University of Cape Town
2020-2022	Quantitative Methods in Economics (Undergraduate - ECO3021S), School of Economics, University of Cape Town
2020-2022	Public Sector Economics (Undergraduate - ECO3023S), School of Economics, University of Cape Town
2017	Risk Management Computing Skills (Postgraduate), AIFMRM, University of Cape Town

SUPERVISION

2022	Maddie Baldwin & Luthando Sibaya (Honours)
2021	Jesse de Jong (Honours)

NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT AND AFFILIATIONS

2018 –	Co-founder, Registree
--------	---------------------------------------

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

2022	Ashoka University · NEUDC* · University of Pretoria · UNC Charlotte* · LMU Munich* · CREST* · Toulouse School of Economics*
2021	Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet (LAGV) · University of Cape Town · South African Revenue Services · ERSA Public Finance Seminar · ABM4Policy Seminar* · George Mason University* · European Bank for Reconstruction and Development*
2020	Imperial College Business School* · Stellenbosch University*
2019	VW & Goethe University: SAFE: Quantitative Easing and Financial (In)stability · Stellenbosch University · South African Reserve Bank Biennial Conference
2018	VW & Waseda University: Quantitative Easing and Financial (In)stability · University of Cape Town
2017	INET Oxford · South African Reserve Bank · National Treasury of South Africa · University of Cape Town · National Treasury Housing and Urban Development Winter School · University of Cape Town
2016	City of Cape Town · VW & University of Cape Town: Quantitative Easing and Financial (In)stability

(*: presentation by co-author, #: scheduled)

DISCUSSIONS

2022	American Finance Association (AFA) Annual Meeting: “How do Taxes Affect the Trading Behavior of Private Investors? Evidence from Individual Portfolio Data” - Buhlmann, Dörrenberg, Loos & Voget
------	--

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Refereeing activities

Journal of Economics and Statistics · ERSA Working Paper Series

Academic service

2022–	Degree convener, MPhil in Financial Technology, UCT
2022–	Convener, Fintech: Disruption in Finance Short Course, GetSmarter & UCT
2022–	Convener, Blockchain and Digital Currency Short Course, GetSmarter & UCT
2022–	External examiner, Econometrics, AIFMRM, UCT
2022–	External examiner, Econometrics, Cape Peninsula University of Technology
2020–2024	Elected member of the University of Cape Town Senate

Non-academic service

2021	Statistics South Africa - developing a residential property price index for South Africa
2019	Insight2Impact DataHack4FinancialInclusion - Data Science Mentor
2018	UCT GSB FinTech Startup Weekend - Coach
2018	National Treasury of South Africa - geocoding tax administrative data
2009–2011	City of Cape Town - Junior Mayor

AWARDS AND GRANTS

2020	South African Reserve Bank Financial Stability PhD Scholarship
2018	South African Reserve Bank Financial Stability Research Grant
2017–2019	Volkswagen Foundation & AIFMRM PhD Scholarship
2016	Economic Society of South Africa – Nominee: best Masters dissertation in South Africa
2014	National Research Foundation Research and Innovation Research Grant
2013	Mayor’s Award for Youth Leadership, City of Cape Town

MEDIA COVERAGE

1. [“Here’s what the many different models predict about Covid-19”](#), *The Citizen*, May 2020.
2. [“The blame game”](#), *Business Day Homefront*, June 2017.

CITIZENSHIP

South Africa

Last Update: November 22, 2022