Garrison B. Pollard

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Education

University of Florida — Gainesville, FL
Doctor of Philosophy, Economics — 2028 (expected)

- Fields: Public Economics, Industrial Organization, Econometrics
- Committee: Perihan Saygin (co-chair), Di Fang (co-chair), Robert Ainsworth, Mark Rush

Master of Arts, Economics — 2022
Bachelor of Arts, Economics (Summa Cum Laude) — 2021

Lake-Sumter State College — Leesburg, FL
Associate of Arts (Summa Cum Laude) — 2019

Research

Working Papers

1. "Gender Bias in the Resistance to Feedback" *Under Review* (with Perihan Saygin, Thomas Knight, and Mark Rush)
2. "Reactions to Grades" *Under Review* (with Perihan Saygin, Thomas Knight, and Mark Rush)

Work in Progress

1. "Evaluating Evaluators: Experimental Evidence of Sequential Biases in Performance Evaluations" (with Perihan Saygin and Mark Rush)
2. "On the Effects of Relative Rank in Achievement and Effort" (with Carlos Estrada)
3. "Abortion Access, Prescription Contraceptives, and Fertility Decisions" (with Di Fang and Tianze Jiao)
4. "Identification Under Cognitive Uncertainty"

Academic Employment

Teaching
Department of Economics, University of Florida
Economics of Education — Spr. – Fall 2026

- Spring 2026 Overall Instructor Mean: 4.87/5 (Department: 4.60, College: 4.36)

Teaching Assistance
Department of Economics, University of Florida
Economic Analysis of Data (Undergraduate) — Fall 2025
Game Theory & Industrial Organization (Master's) — Fall 2024
Industrial Organization (Undergraduate) — Fall 2024
Econometric Analysis 2 (Master's) — Spr. 2023, 2024
Econometric Analysis 1 (Master's) — Fall 2022, 2023
Econometrics 2 (Advanced Undergraduate) — Fall 2022, 2023
Principles of Macroeconomics — 2021 – 2024
Principles of Microeconomics — 2021 – 2024

Research Assistance
Department of Economics, University of Florida
Professor Roger Blair — Summer 2026
Professor Mark Rush — Summer 2024
Professors Perihan Saygin and Mark Rush — 2022 – 2024
Department of Food & Resource Economics, University of Florida

Professor Di Fang — Spr. – Sum. 2025
Professor Conner Mullally — Spring 2022

Tutoring

University Athletic Association, University of Florida — 2021 – 2026

- Principles of: Macroeconomics, Microeconomics, Food & Resource Economics, Agribusiness Management; Intermediate: Macroeconomics, Microeconomics; Natural Resource Economics; Game Theory; Economic Analysis of Data; Managerial Economics; Economics of Education; Econometrics
- Recognized as Tutor of the Month (x2)

Private Tutoring — 2022 – present

- Intermediate Microeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomics, Econometrics (Undergraduate and Master's), International Macroeconomics (Master's), Game Theory and Industrial Organization (Master's), Managerial Economics (MBA), Economics of Business Decisions (MBA), Quantitative Research Methods (Sociology PhD)

Other Experience

Remote Intern, OCDO, US Department of Health and Human Services — Fall 2021
Commercial Analytics Intern, Florida Blue — Summer 2021

Service

Student Conduct and Conflict Resolution Appeals Committee — 2024 – present
Organizer, Applied Microeconomics Reading Group — 2023 – present
UF Journal of Undergraduate Research Editorial Board — 2023 – present
Student Conduct & Conflict Resolution Committee — 2021 – present

Awards & Honors

Pacey Scholarship — 2022 – present
Madelyn Lockhart Graduate Student Travel Award (x2) — 2025
Robert F. Lanzillotti Dissertation Award — 2025
Robert F. Lanzillotti Award (Best Third Year Paper, UF Economics) — 2025
Rafael Lusky Award (Best First Year Student, UF Economics) — 2023
Richard J. Schultz Graduate Scholarship in Antitrust Studies — 2021
Phi Beta Kappa — 2021
Phi Theta Kappa — 2019

Presentations

Including planned/upcoming.

2027 American Economic Association Annual Meeting
2026 American Economic Association Annual Meeting; Annual Conference of the American Society of Health Economists; SEA Annual Meeting
2025 WATE-FL; APPAM Fall Research Conference; SEA Annual Meeting
2024 SEA Annual Meeting; UF Statistics Winter Workshop: Causal Inference (Poster)

Additional

Memberships: American Economic Association, Southern Economic Association, American Society of Health Economists, Association of Public Policy Analysis & Management

Languages: English (native), Spanish (basic proficient)

Software: R, Stata, Python, MatLab, LaTeX