

# BETH PRIDE BLYTHE

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## Education

- Ph.D. – 1997      Agricultural Economics, The Pennsylvania State University. Dissertation topic: Pennsylvania dairy farm expansion and associated learning costs. Advisor: Dr. Wesley Musser. Cum. GPA: 3.87
- M.S. – 1990      Food and Resource Economics, University of Florida. Advisor: Dr. Tom Spreen. Cum. GPA: 3.73
- B.S. - 1988      Food and Resource Economics, University of Florida. Cum. GPA: 3.81

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## Employment

- 2017 – present: Teaching Professor, Economics Department, University of the South
- full-time long-term non-tenure track (LTNTT) position
  - courses: Introduction to Microeconomics (Econ 101); Environmental Economics (Econ 335); Managerial Economics (Econ 355); Introduction to Macroeconomics (Econ 102); Corporate Finance (Finc 201)
- 2004 – 2017: Visiting Assistant Professor, Economics Department, University of the South
- part-time/full-time non-tenure track teaching position
  - courses: Introduction to Economics (Econ 101); Environmental Economics (Econ 335); Political Economy of Sustainable Development (Econ 381); Health Economics (Econ 312); Mathematical Economics (Econ 340); Money and Banking (Econ 301)
- 2012 – present: Farm Manager, Beth Pride Blythe, LLC, Courtland, Alabama
- farm production record keeping and management
  - crop marketing and production practices
- 2003 - 2011: Assistant Farm Manager, Blythe Cotton Company, Courtland, Alabama.
- farm production record keeping
  - GIS crop yield database management
  - direct marketing of farm raised beef (2003-2010)
- 2003: Consulting, University of the South, Sewanee, Tennessee.
- consultant to University of the South volleyball team
- 2000-2003: Assistant Volleyball Coach, University of the South.
- practice planning and implementation
  - player skill development
  - game strategy and management
  - student athlete recruiting
- 1995-1997: Research Associate, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University.
- applied farm management research
  - research grant proposals
  - academic journal and farm extension publication articles
  - undergraduate class guest lectures

- research paper presentations at national and regional agricultural economics association meetings

- 1991-1995: Graduate Research Assistant, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University.
- applied farm management research
  - academic journal and farm extension publication articles
  - undergraduate class guest lectures
  - research paper presentation at national and regional agricultural economics association meetings
- 1989-1990: Graduate Research Assistant, Food and Resource Economics Department, University of Florida.
- applied farm management research
  - farm extension publication articles
  - assistant teacher, farm financial computer training course
- 1984-1988: Scholarship Volleyball Player, University of Florida.

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### Awards

Gamma Sigma Delta Honor Society of Agriculture.  
 Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society.  
 Third Place, American Agricultural Economics Association Student Paper Competition, 1988  
 Hal Lively Food Distribution Scholarship, Food and Resource Economics Department, University of Florida, 1987.  
 Southeastern Conference (SEC) All-Academic Volleyball Team, 1985-1988.

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### Service

President, Graduate Student Organization, Food and Resource Economics Department, University of Florida, 1990.  
 President, Graduate Student Organization, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University, 1992.  
 Computer Committee, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University, 1993.  
 Student Representative to Faculty Meetings, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University, 1993.

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### Grants

“Identification of Adjustment Costs of Dairy Herd Expansion and Their Impact on Farm Profitability.” Co-principal Investigator, \$40,500, Special Grant from USDA-CSREES, 1996.

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### Refereed Journal Articles

Ford, B. P., and W. N. Musser. “A Comparison of Nominal and Real Historical Risk Measures.” *J. Agr. and Applied Econ.* 27(1995): 669-685.

Ford, S., B. P. Ford, and T. Spreen. “Evaluation of Alternative Risk Specifications in Farm Programming Models.” *Agr. Res. Econ. Rev.* 24(1995):25-35.

Ford, B. P., W. N. Musser, and R. D. Yonkers. “Measuring Historical Risk in Quarterly Milk Prices.” *Agr. Res. Econ. Rev.* 22(1993): 20-25.

### Other Academic Publications

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Ford, B. P., S. A. Ford, and W. N. Musser. "Adjustment Costs of Dairy Farm Expansion." *Farm Economics*, College of Agricultural Sciences, The Pennsylvania State University, November/December 1997.

Ford, B. P., and W. N. Musser. "A Primal Approach to the Measurement of Expansion Adjustment Costs for Pennsylvania Dairies." Staff Paper 297, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University, 1995.

Ford, B. P., W. N. Musser, W. C. Huang, J. S. Shortle, and R. H. Fox. "A Risk Programming Model of a Pennsylvania Crop/Dairy Farm." Staff Paper 270, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University, 1994.

Ford, B. P., W. C. Huang, J. Shortle, W. N. Musser, and R. H. Fox. "Temporal Aggregation of von Liebig Response Functions." Staff Paper 242, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University, 1993.

Ford, B. P., W. N. Musser, and R. D. Yonkers. "Inflation and Measurement of Historical Risk." Staff Paper 225, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University, 1992.

Ford, B. P., W. N. Musser, and R. D. Yonkers. "Measuring Historical Risk in Quarterly Milk Prices." Papers of the 1992 Annual Meeting, Western Agricultural Economics Association. Colorado Springs, Colorado, July 12-15, 1992.

Weaver, R. D., and B. P. Ford. "Hyper-devaluation, Inflation, and the Relative Price Structure: A Case Study of Recent Experiences in Zaire." Staff Paper 217, Department of Agricultural Economics and Rural Sociology, The Pennsylvania State University, 1992.

Blythe, B. P., S. Ford, and T. Hewitt. "North Florida Soybean Basis, 1979-1989." Economic Information Report 280, Food and Resource Economics Department, Agricultural Experiment Stations and Cooperative Extension Service, IFAS, University of Florida (1990).

Blythe, B. P., S. Ford, and T. Hewitt. "North Florida Corn Basis, 1979-1989." Economic Information Report 280, Food and Resource Economics Department, Agricultural Experiment Stations and Cooperative Extension Service, IFAS, University of Florida (1990).

Blythe, B. P., S. Ford, and T. Hewitt. "North Florida Wheat Basis, 1979-1989." Economic Information Report 280, Food and Resource Economics Department, Agricultural Experiment Stations and Cooperative Extension Service, IFAS, University of Florida (1990).

### Refereed Abstracts

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Ford, B. P., and W. N. Musser. "A Primal Approach to the Measurement of Expansion Adjustment Costs for Pennsylvania Dairies." *Amer. J. Agr. Econ.* 78(1996):1409 (abstract).

Ford, B. P., W. C. Huang, J. Shortle, W. N. Musser, and R. H. Fox. "Temporal Aggregation of von Liebig Response Functions." *Agr. Res. Econ. Rev.* 22(1993):228 (abstract).

Ford, B. P., W. N. Musser, and R. D. Yonkers. "Inflation and Measurement of Historical Risk." *Amer. J. Agr. Econ.* 74(1992):1303 (abstract).

Ford, B. P., W. N. Musser, and R. D. Yonkers. "Measuring Historical Risk in Quarterly Milk Prices." *J. Agr. Res. Econ.* 17(1992):369 (abstract).

Ford, S. A., B. P. Blythe, and T. H. Spreen. "Incorporation Options-Based Expected Price Distributions in Risk Programming Models." *South. J. Agr. Econ.* 23(1991):259 (abstract).

### **Selected Papers at Professional Meetings**

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Ford, B. P., and W. N. Musser. "A Primal Approach to the Measurement of Expansion Adjustment Costs for Pennsylvania Dairies." 1996 Annual Meeting, American Agricultural Economics Association.

Ford, B. P., W. C. Huang, J. Shortle, W. N. Musser, and R. H. Fox. "Temporal Aggregation of von Liebig Response Functions." 1993 Annual Meeting, Northeastern Agricultural and Resource Economics Association.

Ford, B. P., W. N. Musser, and R. D. Yonkers. "Inflation and Measurement of Historical Risk." 1992 Annual Meeting, American Agricultural Economics Association.

Ford, B. P., W. N. Musser, and R. D. Yonkers. "Measuring Historical Risk in Quarterly Milk Prices." 1992 Annual Meeting, Western Agricultural Economics Association.

Weaver, R. D., and B. P. Ford. "Hyper-devaluation, Inflation, and the Relative Price Structure – A Case Study of Recent Experience in Zaire." 1992 Meeting, Journees de l'Association Francaise de Science.

Ford, S. A., B. P. Blythe, and T. H. Spreen. "Incorporating Options-Based Expected Price Distributions in Risk Programming Models." 1991 Annual Meeting, Southern Agricultural Economics Association.

Blythe, B. P. "Impact of the 1985 Farm Bill on U. S. Cotton Prices." 1988 Annual Meeting, American Agricultural Economics Association.

### **Community Service and Volunteer Activities**

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Whole Person Coaching Core Certified Life Coach (2024-present)

National Interscholastic Cycling Association (NICA) State (TN) Coach Supporter (2017-2024)

National Interscholastic Cycling Association (NICA) State (TN) GRiT Coordinator (2018-2024)

Little Bellas mentor for young girls in mountain biking (2019-present)

Sewanee GoGirls MTB community group leader for moms and daughters biking together (2021-present)

St. Andrew's-Sewanee School - Mountain Biking Assistant Coach (2009-2021)

National Interscholastic Cycling Association (NICA) Certified Level 3 Coach (2013 – 2024)

Otey Memorial Parish Capital Campaign Co-Director (2011-12)

Otey Memorial Parish Buildings and Grounds Committee Member, Sewanee (2002-2017).

Volunteer Gardening Teacher, Sewanee Elementary School (2002-2008).

Landscaping/Grounds Committee Chair, Sewanee Elementary School (2000-2008).

Sewanee Elementary School PTO Board President (2005-2006).

Sewanee Elementary School PTO Board Treasurer (2003-2004).

Assistant Volleyball Coach, Cumberland Plateau Volleyball Club (2003).

Otey Memorial Parish Kitchen Renovation Committee Member, Sewanee (2002).

Community Action Committee (CAC) Board member, Sewanee (2001- 2003).

Friday School Volunteer, Sewanee Elementary School (2000-2005).

Sunday School Teacher, St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, State College, Pennsylvania (1998-1999).