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GENERAL INFORMATION:

Date of Birth: September 15, 1953 Marital Status: Married, six children

EDUCATION:

B.S., Agricultural Economics, Brigham Young University, 1977

- M.S., Agricultural Economics, Brigham Young University, 1978
- Ph.D., Agricultural Economics, Purdue University, 1983,

Dissertation: "Optimal Choice of Fixed and Variable Interest Rate Loans for Midwest Crop-Livestock Farms: Implications for Agricultural Lenders." Purdue University, August 1983.

EXPERIENCE:

Current Position

Professor, Associate Head for Graduate Programs, May 1, 1997 to present. Interim Chair of the Intercollegiate Faculty of Agribusiness and Interim Director of the Master of Agribusiness, August 15, 2012 to March 15, 2013. **Professor**, September 1996 to present, **Associate Professor**, September 1989 to August 1996, and **Assistant Professor**, September 1983 to August 1989, Department of Agricultural Economics, Texas A&M University. Current position is a joint teaching (80%) and research (25%) appointment in agricultural finance and administrative (25%). **Teaching responsibilities currently include:** AGEC 330: Financial Management in Agriculture; AGEC 431: Cases in Agribusiness Finance; AGEC 432: Rural Real Estate and Financial Analysis; AGEC 605: Rural Real Estate Appraisal and Organization; and AGEC 695: Frontiers in Agribusiness and Managerial Economics. **Research interests include**: improving financial intermediaries to provide credit to agricultural businesses. **As Graduate Program Advisor**, I am in charge of the graduate program including advising graduate students, scheduling graduate classes, hiring and assigning graduate assistants and administering qualifying and preliminary examinations.

Past Positions and Experiences

Research Assistant, Department of Agricultural Economics, Purdue University, September 1979 to August 1983. **Research responsibilities included** (a) analysis of the effects of inflation on capital recovery charges and optimal replacement of tractors and combines, and (b) analysis of the effects of inflation on hog-confinement investments. Research resulted in journal and popular press publications.

Research Associate, Department of Agricultural Economics, Brigham Young University, September 1978 to August 1979. Responsible for conducting research on alternative methods of producing edible fats and oil, and making an in-depth cost study of wheat and flour, dairies and apples. Responsible for writing and monitoring research contracts for the Ezra Taft Benson Agriculture and Food Institute. Research resulted in reports for policy decisions.

Assistant Economist, Inputs and Finances in the Food and Fiber Sector Program Area, E.R.S., U.S.D.A., Summer Internship, 1977. A journal article was published from the research.

PROFESSIONAL AND SCHOLASTIC ACTIVITIES:

Honors and Awards:

- 2016. Outstanding article in the *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics*. "Mean-Variance Versus Mean-Expected Shortfall Models: An Application to Wheat Variety Selection," coauthored with Kunlapath Sukcharoen. Award presented at the SAEA Annual Meetings, Mobile, Alabama February 4-7, 2017.
- 2016. Highly Commended Paper in the 2017 Emerald Literati Network Awards for Excellence. Sukcharoen, Kunlapath, and David J. Leatham. "Dependence and Extreme Correlation among US Industry Sectors." *Studies in Economics and Finance*, 33(No. 1, 2016):26-49.
- Guest Professor of Huazhong Agricultural University, Peoples Republic of China, May 24, 2010 to May 23, 2013.
- 2001. T.K. Ann Outstanding Paper Award in International Trade. Yang, Jian, and David J. Leatham. "Currency Convertibility and Linkage between Chinese Official and Swap Market Exchange Rates." *Contemporary Economic Policy*, 19(No. 3, 2001):347-59.
- Graduate (1998), ESCOP/ACOP Leadership Development Program, a year-long program that focused on Leadership in Higher Education, Use of Teams in Higher Education, Managing Change, Strategic Thinking and Action, Values in Leadership, and Handling Crisis and Conflict (two scientists from the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station are chosen to participate in this program each year).
- Recipient of the 1988 Texas Agricultural Experiment Station Award of Excellence for Team Research (one award given annually). This award was given for research in dairy production economics.
- Edwin G. Nourse Award for doctoral dissertation (cash payment of \$1,000), sponsored by the National Council of Farmer Cooperatives (first student from TAMU to win this award). Received by Ming-Che Chien. Chair of Graduate Committee: Dr. David J. Leatham
- Selected to give the Commencement Address, College of Biological and Agricultural Sciences, Brigham Young University, April 1979.

• Member of Gamma Sigma Delta (Honor Society of Agriculture).

Membership and Service in Professional Societies:

Member (1983-91), Regional Agricultural Finance Research Workgroup, **NC-161** (Financing Agriculture in a Changing Environment; Macro, Market, Policy and Management). This organization represented an important forum for agricultural economists working in agricultural finance and had national participation and exposure. This was an important forum to keep in touch with agricultural finance research in progress and to participate in collaborative research with others throughout the research community. **NC-161** was comprised of agricultural economists of twenty land-grant universities, Federal Reserve Banks, Economic Research Service, U.S.D.A., and other research bodies that are involved in agricultural finance research. Participants in this group covered the breadth and scope of the United States, from California to New York, and North Dakota to Texas. We met annually to coordinate research activities and keep current on issues and tools.

I served on this committee in various ways listed below, including secretary, vice-chair, and chair. As the Chair, I was responsible for the annual meeting held in St. Louis, Missouri, the annual report sent to the administrative advisor, and the publication of the proceedings from the annual meeting. As Vice-Chair and Chair of the Program Planning Committee, I arranged for Congressman Charles Stenholm (Texas), Governor Angell (Federal Reserve), Governor Marvin Duncan (Farm Credit Administration), Vance Clark (Director of the FmHA), Leslie Miller (American Bankers Association), and Paul Prentice (Consultant, Secondary Markets for Agricultural Loans) to make presentations at the annual meeting in Washington D.C. Along with either contributed papers.

- Secretary, October 1985 September 1986.
- Vice Chair, October 1987 September 1988.
- Chair, October 1988 1989.
- Chair, Program Planning Committee, 1988 Annual Meeting.
- Member, Sub-Committee, Equity Capital in Financing Agriculture, 1986-1991 (Chair, June 1988-1991).
- Member, Sub-Committee, Credit Evaluation and Risk, 1986-1991.
- Presented papers at the annual meeting.

Member (1991-96), Regional Agricultural Finance Research Workgroup, NC-207 (Regulatory, Efficiency and Management Issues Affecting Rural Financial Markets). NC-207 was a continuation of the NC-161 Research Workgroup. I helped organize this workgroup, and helped set the objectives. I was asked to present a paper at the first annual meeting on the composition of bank liabilities in a deregulated environment and its impact on agricultural lending. I served on this committee as listed below:

- Member, officers election committee, 1992.
- Member, Sub-Committee, Management Strategies Employed by Agricultural Lenders, 1991-96 (Chair, October 1994-96).
- Chair, AAEA participation committee, 1993.
- Presented papers at the annual meeting.

Member (1998-2003), Regional Agricultural Finance Research Workgroup, NC-221 (Financing Agriculture and Rural America: Issues of Policy, Structure and Technical Change).). NC-221 is a continuation of the NC-207 Research Workgroup.

• Presented papers at the annual meeting.

Member (2004-present), Regional Agricultural Finance Research Workgroup, NC1014 (Agricultural and Rural Finance Markets in Transition). NC-1014 is a continuation of the NC-221 Research Workgroup.

• Presented papers at the annual meeting.

Member, American Agricultural Economics Association

- Referee of submitted manuscripts for editors of the American Journal of Agricultural Economics.
- Referee of Selected Paper Sessions at annual meetings.
- Presided over Invited Paper Session "The State of the Art in Credit Evaluation" at the 1989 annual meeting.
- Member of the Finance Committee (1994-95).
- Member of the Employment Services Committee (2004-2006).

Member, Southern Agricultural Economics Association

- Referee of submitted manuscripts for editors of the Southern Journal of Agricultural Economics, and Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics (1993-present).
- Referee of Selected Paper Sessions at annual meetings.
- Topic chair, Agricultural Finance Selected Paper Session at annual meetings, 1993.

Member, Western Agricultural Economics Association

- Referee of submitted manuscripts for editors of the *Western Journal of Agricultural Economics*, and *Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics* (1992-present).
- Topic chair, "Effects of Economic Development Programs on State and Rural Communities," Selected Papers Session at annual meetings, 1997.

American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers (ASFMRA)

Member September 2018 -2020.

Referee of submitted manuscripts for editors of:

- Agricultural Finance Review
- Agribusiness: An International Journal
- Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking
- Land Economics
- North Central Journal of Agricultural Economics (Review of Agricultural Economics (1992present)
- Journal of Agricultural Cooperation
- Journal of Agricultural Economic Research
- International Food and Agribusiness Management Review

Administrative Duties, Committee Assignments and Professional Service

- Participated in the planning and proceedings of the annual Agricultural Bankers Conference sponsored by the Rural Affairs Division of the Texas Bankers Association (TBA) in cooperation with Texas A&M University, 1984-97.
- Member, Exhibit Committee, Department of Agricultural Economics, 1985-86.

- Member, Agricultural Services Subcommittee, Five year Plan Steering Committee, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, 1985-86.
- Member, Departmental Undergraduate Advisory Committee, 1989-92.
 Chair, 1989-92.
- Member, 1991 Science Conference Committee, Agriculture Program, Texas A&M University.
 - Program Chair and Chair of General Session
- Member, Financial Services Subcommittee, Texas Consortium on Free Trade, Texas Governor's Office, 1991-92.
- Member, Texas Agriculture Commissioner's Select Committee on U.S./Mexico Free Trade Agreement, Investment Subcommittee, 1991.
- Member, Department Awards Committee, Department of Agricultural Economics, 1993-94.
 Co-Chair, 1993-94.
- Member, Agricultural Finance Workgroup, Department of Agricultural Economics, 1983-93.
 Chair, 1984-93.
- Member, Agribusiness-Finance Workgroup, Department of Agricultural Economics, 1993-present.
 - Member, Committee to Revise Ph.D Curriculum, 1996-97
 - Member, Committee to Organize Agribusiness Industry Leaders Seminars, 1997-98.
- Member, Agricultural Finance Prelim Committee, 1983-1998.
 - Chair, 1986-87, 1990-91, and 1995-96.
- Member, Department Seminar Committee, 1995-97
 - Chair, 1996-97 (Obtained \$5,000 of outside funds to bring speakers to the Department)
- Member, Department Teaching Awards Committee, 1995-96
- Member, Computer Policy Committee, 1995-97
- Chair, Issue Study Group, Increasing the Efficiency of Departmental Operations, Deciding Our Destiny (DOD), 1996
- Member, Agribusiness PhD Feasibility Assessment Committee, 2004.
- Assistant Department Head and Graduate Program Advisor, May 1, 1997 April 30, 2000.
- Associate Head for Graduate Programs, May 1, 2000 present.
- Member, COALS Graduate Program Council, 1997-present.
- Chair, Departmental Recruiting Committee, September 2007 2010.
- Member (Ex-Officio), Graduate Advisory Committee, May 1, 1997 present.

- Advisor, Graduate Student Association (GSA), May 1, 1997 present.
- Member, Faculty Evaluation Committee (FEC), January 2022 present.
- Member, Departmental Annual Review Committees (ARC). Assigned to counsel selected faculty on program direction and promotion process, 1997-present.
- Member (Ex-Officio), Departmental Learning Outcome Assessment Committee, 2008-present.
- Interim Chair of the Intercollegiate Faculty of Agribusiness and Interim Director of the Master of Agribusiness, August 15, 2012 to March 15, 2013.
- Member, search committees in the departments of Agricultural Economics and Animal Science.

Proposals

Wrote 44 research proposals seeking funding support from the World Bank, American Bankers Association, Farm Credit Banks of Texas, Prochnow Foundation, National Crop Insurance Service, BASIS CRSP, CONACYT (National Science Foundation of Mexico), National Crop Insurance Services, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, College of Agriculture Organized Research Development Funds, the National Cooperative Dairy Herd Improvement Program, Canadian Studies Grant Program, Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, ARP/ATP, Texas Water Resources Institute and the Risk Management Association (RMA). *Twenty proposals have been accepted*.

Contracts and Grants

- Principal investigator, eleven TAES Expanded Research and Research Enhancement projects, 1983 to present. Research funds totaled \$595,448.
- Principal investigator, contract with Farm Credit Banks of Texas to investigate the current lending environment and potential impact of lower farm interest rates and oil prices, 1986. Research funding totaled \$18,000.
- Principal investigator, contract with College of Agriculture, Organized Research Fund Allocations, to assess the agricultural credit delivery systems for Texas agriculture, 1986. Research funding totaled \$2,000.
- Principal investigator, University Minigrant, contract to investigate credit evaluation systems being used by agricultural lenders, 1991. Research Funds totaled \$300.
- Principal investigator, contract with the Farm Credit Council of the Federal Farm Credit Banks to review the role of the Farm Credit System in providing agricultural credit. Research funding totaled \$10,000.
- Principal Investigator, contract with Farm Credit Bank of Texas to assess the risk level within the FLBA, 1993. Research funding totaled \$10,900.
- Principal Investigator, contract with Farm Credit Bank of Texas to assess the allowance for loan losses within the Texas Credit Bank of Texas, 1993. Research funding totaled \$35,647.

- Principal Investigator, contract with Farm Credit Bank of Texas to assess the risk level within the FLBA, Phase II, 1995. Research funding totaled \$24,418.
- Principal Investigator, contract with the National Crop Insurance Services to assess the economic impact of crop insurance on rural communities, 1997. Research funding totaled \$14,000.
- Principal Investigator, contract with the World Bank and the Ecuador Ministry of Agriculture (MAG), 33 days working in Ecuador to provide training to the MAG Investment and New Exports analysis staff on concepts and methodologies relevant to alternative investment analysis with emphasis on non-traditional products for export. Also, supervise and participate with MAG staff in a case study of alternative investment, 1999-2000. Research funding totaled \$30,000.
- Advisor, contract with the Farm Credit System, "Finance Implications for Intergenerational Transfer of US Farms." This is financial support for Devin Peterson to complete his MS Thesis, 2013. Research funding totaled \$10,000.

Consulting Activity

- American Bankers Association
- First USA
- Idaho State Board of Education
- Harris & Thomas Attorneys at Law
- Bowler Realty

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Teaching

- Financial Management in Agriculture (undergraduate), 1983-present, 26-200 students.
- Rural Real Estate and Financial Analysis (undergraduate), 2008-present, 15-100 students.
- Rural Real Estate Appraisal and Organization (graduate) 2010-present, 2-7 students.
- Frontiers in Agribusiness and Managerial Economics (graduate) 2015-present, 1-3 students
- Cases in Agribusiness Finance (undergraduate) 2011- present, 40-50 students.
- Fundamentals in Agribusiness and Managerial Economics (graduate) 2002–2008, 5-12 students.
- Special Topics in Agribusiness Finance (undergraduate), 1988, 36 students.
- Financial Planning of the Farm Firm (graduate), 1995-97, 7-13 students.
- Agricultural Finance (graduate), 1984-86, 1989, 1991, 1993and 1996 4-9 students, (co-taught with John Penson).

• Commodity Futures and Options (graduate), 1985-88, 10-20 students, (co-taught with Thomas Sporleder and Carl Shafer).

Direction of Graduate Students

- Chair of Graduate Committee: 27 PhD (21 completed degree; 3 in progress); and 31 MS (30 completed degree; 0 in progress).
- Member of Graduate Committee: 28 PhD (20 completed degree; 6 in progress) 35 M.S. (34 completed degree; 1 in progress); 12 M.Agr. (12 completed degree).

RESEARCH

My primary research focus is on improving financial decision making for agricultural firms. Agricultural firms must choose the optimal mix of assets (investment decisions), and the optimal mix of short-term credit, long-term credit and owner's equity to finance assets (capital structure decisions). The outcome of investment and capital structure decisions is dependent on future events; thus, time and uncertainty must be considered. Much of the work I do is in a risk/return framework where optimal decisions depend on an individual's risk/return preference.

My secondary focus (but not less important) is on improving the ability of financial intermediaries to provide credit to agricultural firms (agricultural credit). Specifically, my work in this area centers on 1) designing and evaluating financial derivatives that can be used by agricultural lenders to manage interest rate risk, 2) improving credit assessment models, and 3) assessing the impact of deregulation and structural changes on agricultural lender's ability and willingness to provide credit to agricultural firms. The two main areas of research tie together because financial decisions are very dependent on the availability of credit and loan terms.

I incorporate my research interest into the classroom and involve graduate students in my research. Most of my publications in recent years have been co-authored with graduate students. It is my policy to put doctoral students as first author (without assigning seniority). In the agricultural finance graduate course, I use recent research efforts as a foundation for teaching theory and research methods. I also require students to identify researchable issues in agricultural finance and chose appropriate research methods. Classroom projects have led to publications.

The agricultural finance graduate program at Texas A&M ranked third by agricultural economists ("Ranking M.S. and Ph.D. Graduate Programs in Agricultural Economics" *Review of Agricultural Economics* 16(1994):335-40.)

PUBLICATIONS AND PROFESSIONAL OUTPUT

Articles in Refereed Journals (Seniority of authorship is not assigned.)

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- (2) Leatham, David J., and Timothy G. Baker. "Empirical Estimates of the Effects of Inflation on Salvage Values, Cost and Optimal Replacement of Tractors and Combines." *North Central Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 3(1981):109-117.
- (3) Baker, Timothy G., David J. Leatham, and Lee F. Schrader. "Inflation Considerations in the Evaluation of a Low-Investment Farrow-to-Finish Confinement Swine Operation." *Journal of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers*, 46(Oct., 1982):43-53.
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- (5) LaDue, Eddy L., and David J. Leatham. "Floating Versus Fixed-Rate Loans in Agriculture: Effects on Borrowers, Lenders and the Agriculture Sector." *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 66(1984):607-613.
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- (11) Leatham, David J., and John A. Hopkin, "Transition in Agriculture: A Strategic Assessment of Agriculture and Banking." *Agribusiness: An International Journal*, 4(March, 1988):157-66.
- (12) Leatham, David J. "How Farm Loan Characteristics Differ Among Lenders." Journal of the American Society of Farm Managers and Rural Appraisers, 52(April, 1988):83-90.
- (13) Leatham, David J., and Timothy G. Baker. "Farmers' Choice of Fixed and Adjustable Rate Loans." *American Journal of Agricultural Economics*, 70(November, 1988):803-12.
- (14) Lowenberg-Deboer, J., Allen M. Featherstone, and David J. Leatham. "Nonfarm Equity Capital Financing of Production Agriculture." *Agricultural Finance Review*, 49(1989):92-104.
- (15) Leatham, David J. "An Empirical Analysis of Strip and Rollover Interest Rate Hedging." *Agricultural Finance Review*, 49(1989):112-126.

- (16) Leatham, David J., John F. Schmucker, Ronald D. Lacewell, Robert B. Schwart, Ashley Lovell, and Greg Allen. "Impact of Texas Water Quality Laws on Dairy Income and Viability." *Journal of Dairy Science*, 75(October 1992):2846-2856.
- (17) Crane, Laurence M., and David J. Leatham. "The Distributed Lag Between Transportation Expenditures and Rural Income and Employment." *Review of Regional Studies*, 23(1993):163-81.
- (18) Crane, Laurence M., and David J. Leatham. "Profit and Loss Sharing in Agriculture: An Application of Islamic Banking." *Agribusiness: An International Journal*, 9:(No. 4, 1993):403-412.
- (19) Smith, Robert M., Jeremy F. Taylor, John P. Walter, Michael A. Tomaszewski, Chris G. Woelfel, and David J. Leatham. "Seasonal Effects on Income Over Feed and Replacement Costs." *Journal of Dairy Science*, 76(No. 6, 1993):1678-92.
- (20) Chien, Ming-Che, and David J. Leatham. "The Value of Planting Flexibility Provisions in the 1990 Farm Bill to Three Representative Texas Farms." *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics*, 26(No. 1, 1994):148-57.
- (21) Crane, Laurence M., and David J. Leatham. "External Equity Financing in Agriculture via Profit and Loss Sharing Contracts: A Proposed Financial Innovation." *Agribusiness: An International Journal*, 11(No. 3, 1995):223-233.
- (22) Betubiza, Eustacius N., and David J. Leatham. "The Effects of Holding Nonfarm Related Financial Assets on Risk-Adjusted Farm Income." *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Science*, 26(December, 1994): 565-79.
- (23) Betubiza, Eustacius N., and David J. Leatham. "Factors Affecting Commercial Bank Lending to Agriculture." *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics*, 27(1995): 27(July, 1995): 112-126.
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- (27) Yang, Jian, and David J. Leatham. "Market Efficiency of U.S. Grain Markets: An Application of Cointegration Tests." *Agribusiness: An International Journal*, 14(No. 2, March/April 1998): 107-12.
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- (30) Yang, Jian, David J. Leatham, and Spencer A. Case. "The Wealth Effect of Swap Usage in the Food Processing Industry." *Agribusiness: An International Journal*, 16(No. 3, 2000):367-79.
- (31) Yang, Jian, David A. Bessler, and David J. Leatham. "The Law of One Price: Developed and Developing Country Market Integration." *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics*, 32(2000):429-40.
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- (33) Yang, Jian, David A. Bessler, and David J. Leatham. "Asset Storability and Price Discovery of Commodity Futures Markets: A New Look." *Journal of Futures Markets*, 21(No. 3, 2001):279-300. (One of top 20 most cited articles in JFM during its first 40; https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1002/fut.22211)
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 - (38) Yang, Jian, Jin Zhang, and David J. Leatham. "Price and Volatility Transmission in International Wheat Futures Markets" *Annals of Economics and Finance*, 4(2003):37-50.
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