

Peyton Ellis

CURRENT APPOINTMENT	University of Wyoming Assistant Professor & Extension Specialist Department of Agricultural and Applied Economics Faculty Fellow Center for Business & Economic Analysis Department of Economics	<i>Aug 2026 - Present</i>
EXTENSION & RESEARCH INTERESTS	Rural Development, Agricultural and Food Value Chains, Local Food Systems, Community Partnerships, Development Economics, Socioeconomics	
EDUCATION	Michigan State University <i>Ph.D.</i> in Agricultural, Food, and Resource Economics Committee: Drs. Saweda Liverpool-Tasie, Mywish Maredia, Tom Reardon, James Sears, Kajal Gulati	<i>2021 - 2026</i>
	Trinity College Dublin and University College Dublin <i>M.Sc.</i> in Development Practice	<i>2017 - 2019</i>
	Salem College <i>B.A.</i> , triple major in Political Science, History, and Philosophy	<i>2013 - 2017</i>
ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS	Liverpool-Tasie, L.S.O, .. Ellis, P., .. et al. "Dynamic small-scale horticulture agribusiness in Africa: domestic vegetable value chains in Nigeria and Tanzania." <i>International Food and Agribusiness Management Review</i> . 2026.	
RECENT EXTENSION OUTPUTS	Market Metrics in Practice: Characteristics of Wholesale Markets for Tomatoes and Green Leafy Vegetables in Tanzania. 2025. RSM2SNF. Market- and Product-Level Informational Flyers (for physical dissemination; 110 total flyers). 2025. RSM2SNF. (Example) Transformation of Vegetable Value Chains in Nigeria: Spatial and Seasonal Lengthening. 2024. RSM2SNF. (Link) Rapid Reconnaissance of Value Chains for Tomato and Green Leafy Vegetables in Nigeria. 2023. RSM2SNF. (Link)	

PAPERS IN PROGRESS	Domestic vegetable value chains in Nigeria and Tanzania: Evidence from a Rapid Food System Assessment (<i>Under Review</i>) (Preprint)	
	Transformation of Vegetable Value Chains in Nigeria: Spatial Lengthening, Wholesale & Logistics Development, and Farming Intensification (<i>Under Review</i>)	
	Necessary but Not Sufficient: The Limitations of Empowerment Metrics in Predicting Agricultural Productivity (<i>Under Review</i>)	
	Mapping Heterogeneity in the Midstream: An Exploration of Trader Strategy and Economic Growth in Agricultural Value Chains (<i>Under Review</i>)	
	Moving Beyond Traditional Metrics: The Introduction of Well-Being as a Factor in Agricultural Productivity (<i>Working Paper</i>)	
RECENT PRESENTATIONS	MSU Farm Labor and Michigan Agriculture Conference	<i>Nov 2025</i>
	American Economic Association Annual Mentoring Conference	<i>Aug 2025</i>
	Agricultural & Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting	<i>Aug 2025</i>
	International Conference of Agricultural Economists	<i>Jul 2024</i>
	Agricultural & Applied Economics Association Annual Meeting	<i>Jul 2024</i>
	MSU AFRE, Graduate Student Symposium	<i>Mar 2024</i>
PREVIOUS APPOINTMENTS	Michigan State University	<i>Aug 2021 - 2026</i>
	Research Assistant	
	The International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD)	<i>2019</i>
	Department of Strategy and Knowledge	
	World Vision Ireland	<i>2018 - 2019</i>
	Research Consultant	
TEACHING EXPERIENCE	United Republic of Tanzania's Marketing, Infrastructure, Value Addition, and Rural Finance (MIVARF) Support System	<i>2018</i>
	Lead Researcher on Local Sunflower Supply Chain	
	Concern Worldwide	<i>2018</i>
	Research Consultant	
	Michigan State University	
	Course Instructor	
	AFRE 206: World Food, Population, and Poverty	<i>Summer 2025</i>
	AFRE 203: Data Analysis	<i>Summer 2024</i>

Teaching Assistant

AFRE 206: World Food, Population, and Poverty

Spring 2025

AFRE 265: Ecological Economics

Fall 2024

AFRE: 460: Natural Resource Economics

Fall 2024

AFRE 203: Data Analysis

*Spring 2023-Spring 2024***MSU Center for Teaching & Learning Innovation Fellow***2023-2024*

**REFEREE
SERVICE**Feminist Economics, Journal of Agricultural and Resource Economics

**UNIVERSITY
SERVICE****Volunteer***2024 - 2026*

MSU Extension & MSU 4-H

President*2024 - 2025*

Graduate Student Organization, MSU AFRE

Leadership Fellow*2023 - 2025*

Graduate School Office of Well-Being, MSU

Graduate Student Representative*2024*Culture, Access, and Belonging Committee, MSU AFRE

**HONORS AND
AWARDS**

Graduate School Leadership Fellowship, MSU

2024 & 2025

Center for Learning and Teaching Innovation Fellowship, MSU

2023

University Enrichment Fellowship, MSU

2021-2026

Pass with Distinction, M.Sc. Thesis, Trinity College Dublin

2019

Exceptional Scholarship in Political Science Award, Salem College

2017

Presidential Full Tuition Merit-Scholarship, Salem College

2013-2017

SKILLS**Software & Programming:** R, Stata, Python, L^AT_EX, Microsoft Suite, Google Suite**Languages:** English (Native), Portuguese (Conversational), Swahili (Basic)
