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Biography

David Mitchell received his Ph.D. in 2001 and is currently a full professor of economics and the Director of the Bureau of Economic Research and the Center for Economic Education both of which are at Missouri State University. He has published research in peer reviewed journals on a variety of topics including water quality, light pollution, housing values, low income housing, the pedagogy of economic instruction, the economics of music, how economic conditions impact election outcomes, and several cost benefit analysis studies. Furthermore, he has provided consulting work, economic impact studies, cost-benefit analyses, workforce analyses, and economic forecasts to a variety of private clients and federal, state, and local public institutions. Some of these include the Missouri Housing Development Commission, the Missouri Department of Transportation, the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, the National Park Service, the Census Bureau, the US Department of Housing and Urban Development, the States of Missouri, Arkansas, South Carolina, and Georgia, and many others. He has been married for 28 years and has 3 kids, ages 25, 22, and 19. In what little spare time he has, he enjoys swimming and golf.

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