

Kelce College Faculty Qualifications Summary



SHIPRA R. PAUL

Instructional Professor of Management

AACSB Qualification Status: Scholarly Practitioner

Basis for Qualification: MBA, MS Economics

Multiple Intellectual Contributions

Pittsburg Micropolitan Area Economic Profile

Highest Degree: MBA, 2000

Institution: Pittsburg State University

Specialization/Major:

Highest Degree: MS, 1989

Institution: Auburn University

Specialization/Major: Economics

Research and Scholarship

Focus

My research project involves Pittsburg Micropolitan area's economic profile.

Impact

My research project involves a comprehensive study of local economic report which includes a variety of key indicators such as job growth by industry, income growth by industry, labor force, unemployment, and real estate market. In this report we focus on these key indicators for our Pittsburg micropolitan area and compare these findings with national trends. For example, our research on economic summary for 2022 reflects that there was a 2.8% increase in the number of

jobs, and a significant 10% increase in payroll. We also noted that during the 2015-2022 period, the number of middle-income households (approx. income from \$50,000-\$100,000) increased 4.8% in Pittsburg Micropolitan Area, and this is well above the 1.4% increase statewide, and only 0.9% increase nationwide. We also highlighted that the labor force participation for our community increased only by 0.2% compared to 0.4% statewide and 1.9% nationwide. Also in our findings, it was found that 12.3% labor force works in education, legal, and community service, 10.5% in office and administrative support, 8.8% in production, 8.7% in sales-related occupations, 7.7% management occupations, 4.7% in healthcare. As we prepare the annual report, we also focused on future projections on labor force participation, employment projections, and wages etc. This economic research activity is of utmost importance for our local businesses, community and public at large.

Sample Intellectual Contributions:

Assistant Editor, Pittsburg Micropolitan Area Economic Report, 2018 - present.

Professional Memberships

Beta Gamma Sigma