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Education

University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

- Ph.D. Economics

Graduated 2024

University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

- B.A. Mathematics (Magna Cum Laude)
- B.A. Economics (Magna Cum Laude)

Graduated 2018

Notable Courses, Experience, and Electives

- MATH 3150 - *Real Analysis I*
- ECON 5322 - *Open Source Programing in Python*
- ECON 5317 - *Machine Learning for Economists*
- ECON 6302 - *Advanced Mathematical Economics II*
- ECON 6498 - *Advanced Econometrics*
- ECON 6498 - *Experimental Economics*
- ARE 6464 - *Experimental Methods for Program Evaluation*
 - Of particular note: In this class, I oversaw a group of undergraduate students and developed a experimental evaluation of policy that was actually implemented in a small village in Uganda

Areas of Specialization

- Behavioral Economics & Experimental Economics
- Law and Economics
- Game Theory & Applied Microeconomics

Internships

Center for Open Science

May 2020-May 2021

- I was a SCORE (Systematizing Confidence in Open Research) collaborator contracted under the supervision of Nathan Fiala to assess replicability and robustness of the results of papers published in American Economic Review and Journal of Political Economy
- Conducted data analysis alongside Andrew Tyner and Nathan Fiala using methods Liang et al. (2018) on newly compiled empirical dataset to confirm replicability of the original paper's main result
- Worked with survey firm Prodege to conduct online replication of Experiment 1 in Benjamin, Choi, and Strickland (2010) on sample of general population
- Programmed online surveys used for replication results using Qualtrics
- Cleaned Qualtrics data using python
- Conducted Linear, Tobit and Interval regressions using STATA

University of Connecticut - Center for Students with Disabilities

2015-2016

- Notetaker and tutor for various undergraduate Economics, Mathematics, and Logic courses

Working Papers

- *Race and Experimental Design: How Respondents may Read Context into a Neutrally Framed Scenario* (2024)
- *Non-homogenous Force and Factors that can Obscure Racial Bias in its Application by Police* with Mikhael Shor (2024)
- *Social Identity and Preferences: A Replication* with Nathan Fiala (2024)

Works in Progress

- *What Diff-in-Diff Results from the Capitol Hill Autonomous Zone can Tell us About Police Allocation* (2020)
- *Applying Wu and Folpin In the Absence of Formal Policing* (2020)

Teaching

University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT

Aug 2018-Present

Instructor On Record

- ECON 2500W - *Writing in Economics* Fall 2022-Fall 2023, Spring 2025
- ECON 2311Q - *Econometrics I* Spring 2021
- ECON 1202 - *Principles of Macroeconomics* Summer 2023
- ECON 1201 - *Principles of Microeconomics* Fall 2024

Teaching Assistant

- ECON 1201 - *Principles of Microeconomics* Fall 2018-Spring 2020
- ECON 1202 - *Principles of Macroeconomics* (SET Unavailable) Fall 2020, Fall 2021-Spring 2022

Eastern Connecticut State University, Windham, CT

Fall 2024-Present

Adjunct Faculty - Instructor On Record

- ECO 201 - *Introductory Microeconomics* Fall 2024-Spring 2025
- ECO 305 - *Introduction to Econometrics* Spring 2025

Grants & Awards

- **2018:** Elected into Phi Beta Kappa Epsilon of Connecticut
- **2022:** Eleanor Bloom Fund (\$1,700)
- **2023:** W. Harrison Carter Award (\$1,000)

Skills

Programming Languages

- Fluent in Python
- Fluent in R
- Familiar with Fortran (Can convert to Python)

Other Programming Skills

- Adept with Excel
- Adept with STATA
- Skilled with Qualtrics
- Able to utilize Geojson data (through Python)

Other Activities

- **2nd Degree Black Belt in Tae Kwon Do** Awarded March 2012
 - Served as Volunteer Instructor for Youth and Adult Underbelt (Non-Black Belt) Classes at Ziwak's Martial Arts
 - Served as Member of Testing Board for Underbelt Exams
- **President of Tier II RSO** 2015-2018
 - Organized several paid tournaments, requiring familiarity with Connecticut General Statutes over competitive events