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| EMPLOYMENT | Assistant Professor of Economics, United States Naval Academy | 2021-Present |
| EDUCATION | Ph.D. in Economics, University of Pennsylvania A.M. in Economics, University of Pennsylvania B.A. in Economics and Mathematics, Oberlin College | 2021 2018 2014 |
| INTERESTS | Microeconomic Theory, Contract Theory, Mechanism Design, Matching | |
| PUBLICATIONS | <p>“Robust Performance Evaluation of Independent Agents” <i>Theoretical Economics</i>, July 2024, Vol. 19. Abstract published in <i>EC’22</i>.</p> <p>“Randomization is Optimal in the Robust Principal-Agent Problem” <i>Journal of Economic Theory</i>, January 2023, Vol. 207.</p> <p>“The Optimal Assortativity of Teams Inside the Firm” (with C. Segura-Rodriguez) <i>RAND Journal of Economics</i>, Fall 2022, Vol. 53: 484-515.</p> <p>“Why Informationally Diverse Teams Need Not Form, Even When Efficient” (with C. Segura-Rodriguez and P. Shao) <i>Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization</i>, October 2024, Vol. 226.</p> <p>“Pay Equality Among Heterogeneous Agents” (with R. Hoffman and S. Kaplan) <i>Economics Letters</i>, August 2023, Vol. 229. Ryan’s 2023 honors thesis, co-supervised with S. Kaplan.</p> | |
| WORKING PAPERS | <p>“Proper Robustness and the Efficiency of Monopoly Screening”</p> <p>“Randomization and the Robustness of Linear Contracts” (with B. Peng, Z. Tang, J. Toikka, and R. Vohra)</p> <p>“Payoff Continuity in Games of Incomplete Information Across Models of Knowledge” Revised and resubmitted (second round) at <i>Games and Economic Behavior</i>.</p> | |
| IN PROGRESS | “Service Assignment at the United States Naval Academy” (with C. Redmer and N. Utgoff) | |
| TEACHING | United States Naval Academy SM275, Mathematical Methods for Economics (2 sections) FE461, Industrial Organization (5 sections) SE450, Game Theory (13 sections) SE475, Capstone Undergraduate Research Seminar (4 sections) University of Pennsylvania ECON101, Intermediate Microeconomics (1 Section) | 2024 2022, 2023 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 2017 |
| ADVISING | Letter Writer for USMA Cadet Shepherd Dzina Rhodes Scholarship Winner 2025 Honors Advisor to USNA Midshipman R. Hoffman (with S. Kaplan) | 2024 2022-2023 |

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| | Naval Intelligence Foundation Award for Best Yardwide Honors Thesis | |
| | Clair Morris Prize for Best Economics Honors Thesis | |
| | Independent Study Advisor to USNA Midshipman A. Larson | 2022 |
| | Roger Little Omicron Delta Epsilon Award for Most Outstanding Graduate | |
| | Honors Advisor to USNA Midshipman P. Yamasaki (with N. Utgoff) | 2021-2022 |
| | Clair Morris Prize for Best Economics Honors Thesis | |
| | FQE Academic Advisor to 18 Midshipmen in Class of 2025 | 2022-2025 |
| SERVICE | Internal Consultant for USNA Division of Professional Development | 2022-Present |
| | Economics Department Awards Committee | 2022-Present |
| | Co-Founder of USNA Economics Speaker Series (with S. Kaplan) | 2022-2023 |
| INVITED SEMINARS | 2025: Yale University (scheduled) | |
| | 2024: University of Pennsylvania, Columbia University, Rutgers University | |
| | 2023: Arizona State University, Johns Hopkins University | |
| | 2021: Johns Hopkins University (Carey School of Business), Not the 2021 Theory Job Market Seminar (Warwick), United States Department of Justice, United States Naval Academy | |
| CONFERENCES AND LECTURES | 2024: Lisbon Meetings in Game Theory, Southern Economic Association | |
| | 2023: Canadian Economic Theory Conference, North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society, Southern Economic Association, Midwest Economic Theory Conference | |
| | 2022: Johns Hopkins University (guest lecturer in J. Quah's second-year Ph.D. course), Society for Institutional & Organizational Economics, Southern Economic Association | |
| | 2021: European Economic Association Meeting/ Econometric Society European Meeting, 6th World Congress of the Game Theory Society, 22nd ACM Conference on Economics and Computation, North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society | |
| | Prior to 2021: 12th World Congress of the Econometric Society, 29th Stony Brook International Conference on Game Theory | |
| REFEREE | <i>Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Studies (x2), Theoretical Economics (x2), American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, Games and Economic Behavior (x3), International Economic Review (x2), Economic Theory (x2), Journal of Economics & Management Strategy</i> | |
| AWARDS | United States Naval Academy | |
| | Volgenau Faculty Fellowship | 2021-2024, 2024-2027 |
| | Junior Naval Academy Research Council Grant | 2022-2024 |
| | University of Pennsylvania | |
| | Joel Popkin Graduate Student Teaching Prize in Economics | 2018 |
| | CTL Teaching Certificate | 2017 |
| | University Fellowship | 2014-2020 |
| | Oberlin College | |
| | Phi Beta Kappa | 2014 |
| | Omicron Delta Epsilon | 2014 |
| | High Honors in Economics | 2014 |
| | Comfort Starr Prize in Economics (Excellence in College Work) | 2014 |
| | Jesse Phillips Prize in Economics (Most Outstanding Junior) | 2013 |