BENJAMIN D. PYLE

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EDUCATION

University of Michigan
Ph.D. in Economics (Expected)
August 2016 – Current

J.D., Magna Cum Laude
August 2018 – May 2021
Masters in Economics
2018

Awards: 2016 - 2017 William Haber Graduate Fellow
Fields Completed: Labor, Public Finance
Other Economics Coursework: Applied Econometrics, Advanced Microtheory
Selected Legal Coursework: Emp. Benefits and Compensation, Tax Policy Seminar, Law and Econ. Workshop, Corp. & Personal Tax, Enterprise Organization, Unemployment Insurance Clinic, Administrative Law, Criminal Procedure I and II
Research Interests: Law and Economics, Labor, Public Finance

Claremont McKenna College
Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics; Bachelor of Science in Mathematics
May 2013

Awards: Edward J. Sexton PPE Fellow, Robert Day Scholar, Gossett Award for Best Statistics Project, Finalist- RDS Business Analysis Competition Spring 2011, CMC D.C. Program Merit Scholarship, Dean's List, National Merit Scholar, Rotary Scholarship

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Prescott, J.J., Benjamin Pyle, and Sonja Starr. "Understanding Violent Crime Recidivism." 95 Notre Dame Law Review 1643.
- Prescott, J.J. and Benjamin Pyle. 2019. "Identifying the Impact of Labor Market Opportunities on Criminal Behavior." International Review of Law and Economics.
- Pyle, Benjamin and John C. Williams. 2016. "Data Dependence Awakens." FRBSF Economic Letter 2016-12 (April 8).
- Daly, Mary C., Bart Hobijn, and Benjamin Pyle. 2016. "What's Up with Wage Growth?" FRBSF Economic Letter 2016-07 (March 7).
- Rudebusch, Glenn D., Daniel J. Wilson, and Benjamin Pyle. 2015. "Residual Seasonality and Monetary Policy." FRBSF Economic Letter 2015-27 (August 24).
- Daly, Mary C., Fernanda Nechio, and Benjamin Pyle. 2015. "Finding Normal: Natural Rates and Policy Prescriptions." FRBSF Economic Letter 2015-22 (July 6).

AWARDS, GRANTS, AND PROFESSIONAL ENGAGEMENT

- Donald M. Ephraim Prize in Law and Economics ($5,000) (2021) ("Negligent Hiring, Recidivism, and the Employment of Workers with a Criminal History")
- Vital Projects at Proteus ($20,000) (2019) ("Understanding Recidivism Rates for Homicide Offenders") (Co-PI: J.J. Prescott)
- Invited Presentations: Program on Empirical Legal Studies (Claremont, 2018)
- Referee: American Law and Economics Review; International Review of Law and Economics

EXPERIENCE

Equal Employment Opportunity Commission
Ann Arbor, MI
Graduate Research Fellowship
June 2021 — August 2021
- Provided analysis and research relating to federal sector employment, criminal records, and credit histories.

National Employment Law Project
Ann Arbor, MI
Researcher
June 2021 — August 2021
- Provided analysis of unemployment insurance programs and laws for litigation and advocacy.

University of Michigan — Ann Arbor, MI

Graduate Research Assistant — May 2019 — Current

- GSRA for Mike Mueller-Smith at the Criminal Justice Administrative Records System. Projects use linked data between state criminal justice administrative agencies and census data. The focus of this research is on the interaction between labor markets and the criminal justice system and include theoretical and empirical work.

University of Michigan — Ann Arbor, MI

Graduate Student Instructor — August 2017 — Current

- Principles of Economics II with Maciej Dudek; Winter 2019
- Economics of Education (Upper Level Writing Course) with Adam Stevenson; Fall 2017, Summer 2018
- Crime and Public Policy (Upper Level Writing Course) with Mike Muller-Smith; Winter 2018, 2021, Fall 2018, 2019
- Ethics and Economics (Upper Level Writing Course) with Benjamin Zamzow; Fall 2020

Freelance — Ann Arbor, MI

Litigation Consultant — 2017 — Current

- Provided analysis and consulting for employment law cases (joint with J.J. Prescott)

Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco — San Francisco, CA

Head Research Associate — June 2013 — July 2016

- Promoted to head RA for Macroeconomics section. Manage policy work and training for RA team.
- Research analyst for John Williams, Glenn Rudebusch, Mary Daly, Rhys Bidder and others
- Manage and create policy work infrastructure including graphing software utilities and forecast model automation.

Financial Economics Institute, CMC — Claremont, CA

Research Analyst — June 2011 — May 2013

- Gathered, organized, and analyzed data college endowments data in order to understand how investment and management strategies impact growth during recessions.

Department of Economics, CMC — Claremont, CA

Teaching Assistant — September 2012 — December 2012

- Provided instruction, answered questions, and provide assistance on problem sets for Economics 50.

Deutsche Bank, **Credit Risk Management**: **Leveraged Finance** — New York, NY

Summer Analyst — June 2012 — August 2012

- Created graphs and analyzed data for the DB hospitality, gaming, and leisure industry analysis.
- Analyzed and rated counterparties to judge default risk.
- Provided daily analysis of economic releases and presented on the Eurozone crisis to managing directors.

The White House, EOP: Council of Economic Advisers — Washington, D.C.

Research Intern and Special Assistant to Member Shapiro and Member Abraham — August 2011 — December 2011

- Composed memos summarizing daily economic activity and news for reference by top White House policy makers.
- Gathered, organized, and manipulated data relating to financial economics, international trade, and other economic topics.
- Fact checked speeches and memos to guarantee accuracy of economic reports for the President and White House personnel.

Department Of Mathematical Sciences, CMC — Claremont, CA

Math Tutor — February 2011 — May 2011

- Answer questions and provide instruction for multivariable calculus, linear algebra, and differential equations.

Lowe Institute of Political Economy, CMC — Claremont, CA

Research Analyst — May 2010 — May 2011

- Collected, organized, and presented data and background information for economic research on bankruptcy laws and pharmaceutical liability.
- Wrote an economic analysis of a new medical school at the University of California Riverside for the Inland Empire Outlook.

RAND Corporation Institute for Civil Justice — Santa Monica, CA

Research Analyst — October 2010 — May 2011

- Collected information from states' Administrative Office of the Courts for Class Action Fairness Act analysis.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Skilled in Microsoft Office Suite, VBA, STATA, Matlab, CUDA (GPU parallel computing), Eviews, Gauss, Bloomberg, Lexis, Westlaw, Haver, and LaTeX.
- Some experience in Java, Python, and Mathematica.