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EMPLOYMENT

The Ohio State University , <i>Salmon P. Chase Center</i> Assistant Professor	Columbus, OH 2025 - Present
University of Pennsylvania , <i>Dept. of Economics</i> Postdoctoral Fellow	Philadelphia, PA 2023 - 2025
George Mason University , <i>Dept. of Economics</i> Graduate Lecturer	Fairfax, VA 2021 - 2022

EDUCATION

George Mason University Ph.D., Economics B.S., Economics with departmental honors	Fairfax, VA Dec. 2023 Dec. 2018
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RESEARCH

Refereed Publications

3. Fitzsimmons, P., Geloso, V., and Hall, J.R. (2025). "Did the Great Leveling Begin After 1921?" *Scandinavian Economic History Review*, 1–18.
2. Hall, J.R. (2022). "From Hume to Smith on the Common Law and English Liberty: A Comment on Paul Sagar." *Econ Journal Watch* 19(1): 109–123.
1. Hall, J.R., and Shera, M. (2020). "Classical Liberals on Social Justice." *Economic Affairs* 40(3): 467–483.

Other Publications

2. Klein, D.B., Briggeman, J., and Hall, J.R. (2021). "Foreword to Hume's Manuscript Account of the Extraordinary Affair Between Him and Rousseau." *Econ Journal Watch* 18(2): 278–326.
1. Hall, Jacob R. "David Hume on the Common Law and English Liberty." *Adam Smith Works*. 27 June 2022.

Working Papers & Research in Progress

1. *Itinerant Kings*.
2. *Travel Speed over the Longue Durée*.
Revisions Requested.
3. *Magna Carta* (with Mark Koyama and Desiree Desierto).
4. *Railroads and American Institutional Change* (with Slade Mendenhall)
5. *Islam, Trade, and the Rise of Northwestern Europe* (with Marcus Shera).
6. *The King's French: The Political Economy of Language* (with Alex Taylor).

7. The Political Economy of the Spanish Inquisition (with Patrick Fitzsimmons and Henry Thompson).

TEACHING

University of Pennsylvania

ECON 4610: Foundations of Market Economies

(with Jesus Fernández-Villaverde and Ivan Luzardo)

Fall 2023, 2024

George Mason University

ECON 360: Economics of Developing Areas

Spring 2022

ECON 365: Topics in Economic History

Fall 2021

Guest Lectures

University of Richmond

Nov. 2024

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, & AWARDS

Law & Economics Fellow

2024/2025

International Center for Law & Economics

John and Daria Barry Postdoctoral Fellow

2023 - 2025

John and Daria Barry Foundation

Adam Smith Program Fellow

2019 - 2023

George Mason University, Economics Department

Ph.D. Fellow

2020 - 2023

Mercatus Center

Graduate Student Summer Research Fellowship

2021 - 2023

Mercatus Center

Humane Studies Fellowship

2019 - 2022

Institute for Humane Studies (Annual)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee Experience: *Explorations in Economic History, Public Choice* (3)

Memberships: American Economic Association, Economic History Association, Economic History Society, Network for Constitutional Economics and Social Philosophy (Invited Member), Public Choice Society, Southern Economic Association

Conference Presentations and Invited Seminars (Last five years, including planned)

2025: ASSA Meetings, U. of Nebraska Omaha, Public Choice Society, Ohio State University, The Morningside Institute

2024: Public Choice Society, Markets & Society Conference, WINIR, Southern Economics Association

2023: Public Choice Society, Virginia Association of Economists, Southern Economic Association

2022: Economic History Society, Southern Economics Association

2021: Southern Economics Association, APEE

REFERENCES

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