Joshua Brownstein

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**Summary**

I am a senior economist at the Government Accountability Office. I use economic and statistical analysis to analyze issues related to public policy in the United States.

**Education**

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| PhD, Economics | *Michigan State University*  MA, Economics | *Michigan State University*  BS, Mathematics and Economics | *University of Florida* | August 2023  2018  2016 |

**Experience**

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| **Senior Economist | Government Accountability Office | Washington, District of Columbia** | 2023 - Present |
| **Graduate Researcher | Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI** | 2019 - 2023 |

* Analyzed data on Michigan State University students to explore the effect of honors college participation on student outcomes
* Fielded Qualtrics surveys to undergraduate students with information experiments to explore how they make choice related to student loans
* Studied the effect of test score labeling on post-secondary outcomes using administrative data on Michigan students

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| **Course Instructor and Teaching Assistant | Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI** | 2017 - 2022 |

* Wrote Exams, answered students’ questions related to homework and test preparation, graded homework and exams, proctored exams, and manage grades on the online leaning software Brightspace

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| **Undergraduate Researcher | University of Florida, Gainesville, FL** | 2016 - 2017 |

* Investigated college graduation rates by college type using data from the College Scorecard

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| **Research Assistant | North Park University, Chicago, IL** | 2016 |

* Designed research project and collected data correlating changes in economic freedom with changes in economic growth

**Activities**

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| **Graduate Student Seminar Organizer | Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI** | 2021 - 2023 |

* Scheduled weekly research presentations, sent emails about seminar, created sign up, booked the room, and managed streaming the seminar online

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| **President MSU Anime Club | Michigan State University, East Lansing, MI** | 2020 - 2023 |

* Lead meetings of officers to plan club activities and presented announcements before weekly club meetings

**Skills**

Software (Advanced): Stata | Microsoft Office | R

Software (Intermediate): MATLAB | Java | LaTeX | Gauss | C++ | Unity

Research Methods: Causal Inference | Survey Design | Regression Discontinuity | Information Experiment