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EDUCATION

The University of Arizona Ph.D. Candidate, Economics <i>Fields: Environmental and Natural Resource Economics, Economic History, Law and Economics</i> M.A. in Economics	Tucson, AZ expected degree: May 2022 January 2017
University of Queensland Master of Economic Studies <i>Recipient of the Dean's Commendation for High Achievement</i>	Brisbane, Australia December 2007
Washington University in St. Louis B.A. in Environmental Studies with a second degree in Economics Selected Student Intern, <i>Environmental Law Clinic</i> (School of Law)	St. Louis, MO May 2004 2004

RESEARCH

Working Papers

"Discounting Water: Calculating Risk Attitudes Towards Owning Rights to Water in the American West"

"American Indian Reservation Boundaries and Land Characteristics: A Spatial Analysis of Reservation Decline in the American West, 1880-1915"

Published and Forthcoming Papers

"Recognizing Rights in the Era of Appropriation: Understanding the Institutional Underpinnings and Evolving Legal Framework of U.S. Federal Indian Land Policies", book chapter in the forthcoming *Festschrift in Honor of Joe Kalt and Steve Cornell*, edited by Miriam Jorgensen and Wayne Ducheneaux

Duhs, A. and Davidoff, L. (2009). *Capabilities, Rights and Justice in the Context of Australian Aboriginal Welfare Policy*. Forum for Social Economics, Volume 39, Issue 1, pp. 23.

Davidoff, L. and Duhs, A. (2009). *Australian Aboriginal Welfare Policy: The Perspectives of Milton Friedman, J.S. Mill and Amartya Sen*. The International Journal of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences, Volume 3, Issue 10, pp. 163-170.

Davidoff, L. and Duhs, A. (2008). *Aboriginal Australia: An Economic History of Failed Welfare Policy*. Archives of Economic History, Volume XX, Number 1, pp. 5-35.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

University of Arizona Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy, Native Nations Institute Doctoral Scholar (\$4,000)	2021-2022
Graduate Assistantship, University of Arizona	2016-2022
National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant (\$25,000, Award Number 2117274)	2021

University of Arizona Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grant (\$700)	2020
Economic History Association Sokoloff Graduate Dissertation Fellowship (\$15,000)	2019
Ed Zajac Prize Winner for Best Third-Year Paper: "American Indian Reservation Boundaries and Land Characteristics: A Spatial Analysis of Reservation Decline in the American West, 1880-1915"	2018
University of Arizona Economics Department Travel Grant (\$300)	2017
Australian Federation of University Women Queensland Molly Budtz-Olsen Commemorative Fellowship (\$20,000 AUD), granted for the completion of my Master's thesis on the impacts of state Indigenous welfare policies.	2007

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

2021: University of Victoria/Canadian Economic Association Indigenous Economics Study Group Seminar Series (invited speaker); Arizona State University Center for Environmental Economics and Sustainability Policy Seminar Series (invited speaker).

2020: NBER Summer Institute Poster Session; Mountain West Economic History Conference (graduate presenter).

2019: Indigenous Capital, Growth and Property Rights (invited participant, Hoover Institution)

2018: University of Arizona International GIS Day (presenter); All-UC Group in Economic History, Graduate Student Workshop (presenter); EHA Annual Meeting (poster); The Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development: The Next Horizon: A Symposium on the Future of Indigenous Nation Building and Festschrift in Honor of Stephen E. Cornell and Joseph P. Kalt, Harvard Kennedy School (May, 2018, invited participant and discussant; November 2018, presenter at second related event at Univ. of AZ)

2017: Arizona Student Energy Conference, Arizona State University, October 2017 (Student Panel Presenter); Berkeley/Sloan Summer School in Energy and Environmental Economics, University of California, Berkeley, August 2017 (Admitted Student Participant); Workshop on Economic Issues Facing Indigenous Peoples, Harvard University, April 2017

RESEARCH/TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sole Instructor of Record, University of Arizona

ECON 325, Historical Development of Financial and Economic Institutions	Summer, 2018
ECON 300, Microeconomics Analysis (<i>Online Course</i>)	Summer, 2018

Teaching Assistant, University of Arizona

ECON 550, <i>Economics for Managers</i> (Executive MBA)	Several Semesters, 2019-2021
ECON 200, <i>Basic Economic Issues</i>	Fall 2021, Spring 2020
ECON 300, <i>Microeconomic Analysis for Business Decisions</i>	Spring 2021, Spring 2020
ECON 382, <i>Labor and Public Policy</i>	Fall 2020

Research Assistant

Graduate Research Assistant for Price Fishback, University of Arizona	8/18 – Present
Graduate Research Assistant for Cihan Artunç, University of Arizona	8/16 – 5/20

OTHER PROFESSIONAL AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

<u>The Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development</u>	Cambridge, MA
<i>Research Affiliate</i>	10/16 – present
Research on tribal governance, institutions and economic/social outcomes.	

Economic & Business Consulting

Independent Consultant

Analysis and coaching for variety of firms, including in-house CEO services for a multi-million-dollar retail and manufacturing business.

New York, NY

8/14 – 1/17

Economic Cycle Research Institute

Economic Researcher

Forecast turning points in U.S. and international economic cycles; wrote in-depth, published reports on macroeconomic dynamics and business cycles for a wide range of strategic uses (see addendum for listing); conducted statistical and mathematical analysis; created graphics and charts to visualize data in publications; edited and fact-checked monthly publications; and managed research projects. Created new methods for looking at cyclical indicators, and routinely provided original research ideas for publication and in-house development.

New York, NY

8/10 – 7/14

Economic Consulting

Independent Consultant

Edited technical publications and books; performed economic research, statistical examination, and cost-benefit analyses for a diverse range of projects; and privately tutored university students in mathematics and economics.

Australia/USA

3/08 – 7/10

The University of Queensland Faculty of Economics

Department Tutor, Undergraduate and Graduate Coursework

Macro and Microeconomics, Econometrics; Cost-Benefit Analysis, Economics for Commerce.

Brisbane, Australia

2/06 – 07/09

AECgroup

Research Economist

Analyzed data; performed statistical modeling and environmental valuation; conducted background research for project analysis; and wrote reports on regional areas, policy, and infrastructure investment. *AECgroup is a private consulting firm in Australia.*

Brisbane, Australia

8/06-2/08

The School for Field Studies: Centre for Rainforest Studies

Socio-Economics Intern

Assisted in environmental field work on climate change and rainforest habitats; wrote and graded student assignments; presented economics lectures (in environmental policy, socio-economics, and introductory microeconomics); and conducted environmental-economics research on vital local industries such as tourism and farming. Introduced an Indigenous studies component to the curriculum.

Cairns, Australia

9/04 – 8/05

The US Environmental Protection Agency

Federal Facilities Intern

Conducted research on pollutants in the health care field and created educational brochures for federal facilities and New York residents to aid in pollution prevention and water use reduction.

New York, NY

5/02 – 7/02

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

Economic History Association; Association for Economic Research of Indigenous Peoples (AERIP)

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Authored content for Economic Cycle Research Institute (ECRI) Publications – For Member-Based Reports

Australian Economic Outlook (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XIX, No. 9). September, 2014

Cyclical Upswing in Inflation (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XIX, No. 6). June, 2014

Gold Faces Downward Cyclical Pressure (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XIX, No. 5). May, 2014

Earnings Growth Upturn Masks Labor Market Weakness (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XIX, No. 4). April, 2014

Cracks in Employment, Earnings, and Spending (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XIX, No. 2). February, 2014

Home Price Volatility Up as Growth Prospects Fade (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVIII, No. 11). November, 2013

Lion's Share of GDP Revisions Still to Come (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVIII, No. 8). August, 2013

Fading Outlook for Corporate and Consumer Spending (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVIII, No. 7). July 2013

Flagging Growth and Inflation Ahead for Mexico (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVIII, No. 4). April 2013

A Familiar Pattern of Profit-Driven Downturns (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVII, No. 12). December, 2012

Cyclical Patterns in Data Revisions (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVII, No. 8). August, 2012

Cyclical Crosscurrents in Australia (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVII, No. 4). April, 2012

Australia Facing Recession Risk (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVI, No. 10). October, 2011

Eurozone Recession Danger (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVI, No. 9). September, 2011

REFERENCES

Price Fishback (Dissertation Chair)

APS Professor of Economics

The University of Arizona

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Joseph P. Kalt (Committee Member)

Ford Foundation Professor of International

Political Economy, Emeritus

Harvard Kennedy School

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John Drabicki (Teaching Reference)

Vice Chair of Economics

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