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EDUCATION

University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill

Ph.D. in Economics, 2026 (Expected)

M.S. in Economics, 2024

Pomona College

B.A. in Economics (Minor in Mathematics), 2016

RESEARCH

Primary interests: Empirical industrial organization, health economics

Secondary interests: Labor economics, environmental economics

Publications:

1. “Overreaction in Football Wagers” with Gary Smith (Pomona), *Big Data*, 2018, 6(4): 262-270.

Working Papers:

2. “Insider CEOs: Lucky or Good?,” with Barton Hamilton (WashU), Andrés Hincapié (UNC), and Noah Lyman (Warwick), *submitted*.

Research topics in progress:

Hospital-at-home care; noncompete agreements and labor market frictions; health care price transparency; marginal emissions on electrical grids; rural hospital closures; employer-sponsored health insurance bargaining.

ACADEMIC WORK EXPERIENCE

Instructor

University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill:

- ECON 445: Industrial Organization (Fall 2024)

Teaching Assistant

University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill:

- ECON 101: Introduction to Economics (Fall 2022)
- ECON 410: Intermediate Microeconomics (Spring 2023, Summer 2023)
- ECON 445: Industrial Organization (Summer 2024)
- ECON 470: Econometrics (Spring 2025)

Research Assistant

University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill:

- Professor Andrew Yates (Summer 2023 – Spring 2024)

Pomona College:

- Professor Gary Smith (Summer 2015)

CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting (2023)

- Presented working paper: “Buying the Lottery in Bad Times: Why Do Lower-Performing Firms Hire Outsiders CEOs?”

PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

NERA Economic Consulting (2016 – 2021)

Antitrust & Competition Policy, and Health Care Antitrust Groups

- Led a team of researchers in employing complex health care data to implement merger-simulation models used in expert testimony pertaining to health care system antitrust review. Conducted consumer choice and pricing analyses to estimate consumer willingness-to-pay and diversion ratios. Produced cartographic exhibits for expert reports using geocoding techniques and GIS mapping software.

SKILLS

Technical: Stata, Matlab, Python, ArcGIS, LaTeX

Languages: English (native), French (proficient)

SERVICE

UNC Economics Graduate Student Association Co-President (2023-24 academic year)

Industrial Organization Graduate Student & Faculty Reading Group Organizer (Fall 2024 – present)