Alexander N. Taylor

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Academic Appointments

University of Evansville, Schroeder School of Business

Assistant Professor of Economics

Evansville, IN
Starting Aug 2024

Education

PhD, Economics

Expected May 2024

George Mason University

Fairfax, VA

May 2021

Fairfax, VA

MA, Economics

May 2021

Hillsdale College

BA, Economics, Minor in Mathematics, cum laude

May 2019

Teaching Experience

George Mason University

George Mason University

ECON 385: International Economic Policy

ECON 360: Economics of Developing Areas

Fall 2021

Research

Research Interests

- Political Economy
- Economic History
- Applied Econometrics

Working Papers

- [2] Taylor, Alexander N. (2023). "Monumental Effects: Confederate Monuments in the Post-Reconstruction South," Working Paper, Revise & Resubmit, Explorations in Economic History
 - Uses TWFE and event study models to examine the impact of Confederate monument dedications on socio-political outcomes in the Post-Reconstruction South
- [1] Johnson, N. D., Taylor, A. T., and Thomas, A. (2023). "The Impact of the Black Death on the Adoption of the Printing Press," Working Paper, *Under Review*
 - Uses a 2SLS model to measure the impact of the Black Death on the emergence of new markets and the adoption of new technologies, namely the market for books and the printing press

Work in Progress

- [4] Crepelle, A., Stratmann, T., and Taylor, A. N. (2023) "Institution Building in Indian Country: Tribal Courts"
- [3] Johnson, N. D. and Taylor, A. N. (2023). "Spatial Specialization of Early Printing: A Cosine Similarity Analysis of Titles from 1450 to 1650"
- [2] Taylor, Alexander N. (2022). "The Word of God or Man? Bibles and the Vernacular Shift"
- [1] Hall, J. H. and Taylor A. N. (2022). "The King's French"

In the Media

- [2] Taylor, Alexander. 2023. "When Confederate-glorifying monuments went up in the South, voting in Black areas went down." *The Conversation*. August 8.
 - Summary of findings in "Monumental Effects: Confederate Monuments in the Post-Reconstruction South"
- [1] Balko, Radley. 2022. "Code Snitching: Nashvillians Are Weaponizing Metro Codes Against 'Undesirable' Neighbors". The Nashville Scene. July 28.
 - Explores the disproportionate use of metro code violation complaints in gentrifying neighborhoods
 - My contribution found that lower-valued homes were more likely to have complaints filed against them, even when controlling for a home's condition, in gentrifying areas. I did not find the same relationship in non-gentrifying areas.

Professional Activities

Conference & Seminar Presentations (Including Planned)

- 2024
 - ASSA Meetings, Centre College (invited seminar), ASREC, University of Evansville (invited seminar), Public Choice Society, Virtual Workshop in Historical Political Economy (discussant)
- 2023
 - Public Choice Society Meetings, Mason Graduate Interdisciplinary Conference, Virginia Association of Economists Meetings, ACEI Meetings, World Cliometric Conference, Werner Troesken Memorial Conference, EHA Meetings, Markets & Society Conference, SEA Meetings
- -2022
 - Yale Economic History Graduate Student Conference, Mason Graduate Interdisciplinary Conference, World Economic History Congress, GMU Economic History Group, SEA Meetings
- **2021**
 - Public Choice Society

Memberships

American Economic Association, Economic History Association, Southern Economic Association

Skills

Software: R & RStudio (GIS, Web Scraping, Textual Analysis), Stata, QGIS, LATEX, Beamer

Languages: English (Native), French (Beginner)

Fellowships, Grants, and Awards

PhD Fellowship, Mercatus Center George Mason University	2023-Present
Presidential Fellowship George Mason University	2019–2023
Student Fellows Program (\$470) Public Choice Society	2023
Conference Accelerator Grant (\$2,000) Institute for Humane Studies	2022
Humane Studies Fellowship (\$3,000) Institute for Humane Studies	2021–2022

References

Noel D. Johnson (Dissertation Chair)

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