Brant Walker

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# Education

**Bachelor of Science in Economics & Mathematics** 2021

University of Iowa - Highest distinction (top 2%)

University Honors and Honors in the Major of Economics

Overall GPA: 4.00, Economics GPA: 4.00, Mathematics GPA: 4.00

# Grants, Honors, and Awards

**Fulbright Research Grant**, University of Mannheim 2021 – 2022

**George S. Schaeffer Scholarship in Science**, University of Iowa 2020 – 2021

**Phi Beta Kappa**, University of Iowa 2020

**Dare to Discover - Excellence in Research**, University of Iowa 2020

**ICRU Research Grant**, University of Iowa 2020

**Research Fellowship**, University of Iowa Public Policy Center 2020

# Experience

**University of California, Berkeley &** 2023 – Present

**National Bureau of Economic Research**

*Pre-doctoral Research Fellow*

**Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research** 2022 – 2023

*Research Fellow*

**University of Mannheim** 2021 – 2022

*Fulbright Research Fellow*

**University of Iowa Public Policy Center** & 2020 – 2021

**Iowa Center for Research by Undergraduates**

*Research Fellow*

# Fields of Interest

**Primary:** Environmental Economics, Public Economics, Industrial Organization

**Secondary:** Health Economics

# Publications/Forthcoming

1. “Are Earmarks Equally Targeted: Evidence from US Drinking Water”, 2024. ***AEA Papers & Proceedings*.** With David A. Keiser, Bhashkar Mazumder, David Molitor, and Joseph S. Shapiro.

# Presentations

**2023:** Southern Economic Association

**2022:** University of Mannheim

**2021:** Midwestern Economic Association, University of Iowa

**2020:** Western Economic Association, University of Iowa

# References

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# Skills

**Programming Skills:** R, Python, Stata, QGIS, Knitro, LaTeX (proficient), MATLAB, Fortran, AMPL (adequate)

**Languages:** English (native), German (intermediate)

# Other

**Special Sworn Status, US Census Bureau**

**Non-academic interests:** Ice hockey, soccer, chess, long-distance running, hiking, reading fiction

**Hometown:** Newhall, Iowa, United States