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Education

| <i>Degree</i> | <i>Field</i> | <i>Institution</i> | <i>Year</i> |
|---------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------|
| Ph.D. | Economics | University of Minnesota (expected) | 2019 |
| M.A. | Economics | University of Minnesota | 2017 |
| M.Sc. | Economics of Public Policy | Barcelona Graduate School of Economics | 2014 |
| B.A. | Physics and Political Science | St. Olaf College | 2012 |

Publications

[“Preventing Plunder: Military Technology, Capital Accumulation, and Economic Growth”](#) with Joshua Hendrickson and Alexander Salter, *Journal of Macroeconomics*, Forthcoming.

“Exchange, Search Theory, and Buchanan’s Foundations of Politics,” in *Exploring the Political Economy and Social Philosophy of James M. Buchanan*, Rowman and Littlefield, 2018.

[“The Breakdown of Spontaneous Order: Smith and Hayek Diverge,”](#) *NYU Journal of Law & Liberty*, 2017.

[“Positive Public Economics: Reinterpreting ‘Optimal’ Policies,”](#) *Journal of Economic Methodology*, 2017.

Working Papers

[“Models as Foils”](#) with Brian Kogelmann, May 2018 (*revised and resubmitted*)

[“Political Persuasion,”](#) September 2017

[“Entrepreneurship as Coordination,”](#) May 2016

Works in Progress

“Consumer Data and the Limits of Price Competition”

“Market Persuasion”

“Production Inefficiency and Hidden Trading: A Mechanism Design Approach” with V.V. Chari, Adway De, and Keyvan Eslami

“Climate Change under Non-Optimal Economic Policies” with Adway De

“Wampum: The Political Economy of an Institutional Tragedy” with Andrew Young ([preliminary draft](#))

“On the Absence of September Surprises” with Joshua Hendrickson

“Advertising in the Market for Political Support”

Honors and Awards

2018 - 2019 *Oskar Morgenstern Fellow*, Mercatus Center, George Mason University

2015 - 2019 *Humane Studies Fellow*, Institute for Humane Studies

Summer 2018 *Graduate Research Fellow*, Institute for Humane Studies

2014 - 2017 *Adam Smith Fellow*, Mercatus Center, George Mason University

2016 *Student Fellow*, Public Choice Society

2016 *Young Scholars Award*, Association for Private Enterprise Education

2016 *Hayek Fund for Scholars*, Institute for Humane Studies

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|---------------------------|---|
| Summer 2015 | <i>Graduate Research Partners Program Fellow, University of Minnesota</i> |
| Spring 2015, Fall 2014 | <i>Distinguished Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota</i> |
| 2014 - 2015 | <i>John S. Chipman Fellow, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota</i> |
| 2013 | <i>Hayek Fund for Future Scholars, Institute for Humane Studies</i> |
| 2008 - 2012 | <i>Presidential Academic Scholarship, St. Olaf College</i> |

Teaching Experience

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|-------------|---|
| Fall 2019 | <i>Online Instructor, Principles of Microeconomics, University of Minnesota</i> |
| Spring 2018 | <i>Instructor, Comparative Economic Systems, University of Minnesota</i> |
| Fall 2017 | |
| Spring 2017 | <i>Large Lecture Instructor (~500 students) and Course Co-Lead, Principles of</i> |
| Fall 2016 | <i>Microeconomics, University of Minnesota</i> |
| Spring 2016 | <i>Instructor, Principles of Microeconomics, University of Minnesota</i> |
| Fall 2015 | |
| Spring 2015 | <i>Teaching Assistant, Principles of Macroeconomics, University of Minnesota</i> |
| 2014 | <i>Teaching Assistant, Principles of Microeconomics, University of Minnesota</i> |
| 2010 | <i>Teaching Assistant, Analytical Physics I, St. Olaf College</i> |
| 2009 | <i>Teaching Assistant, Introductory Astronomy, St. Olaf College</i> |

Presentations

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| 2018 | <i>"Consumer Data and the Limits of Price Competition," Summer Research Fellowship Colloquium, Institute for Humane Studies</i> |
| | <i>"Market Persuasion," Summer Research Fellowship Colloquium, Institute for Humane Studies</i> |
| 2017 | <i>"Wampum: The Political Economy of an Institutional Tragedy," New York University</i> |
| | <i>"Models as Foils," International Network for Economic Method</i> |
| | <i>"Political Persuasion," The Economics & Philosophy of James Buchanan, Duke University PPE</i> |
| 2016 | <i>"Political Persuasion," Southern Economic Association</i> |
| | <i>"Lawless Money and Credit," Southern Economic Association</i> |
| | <i>"Lawless Money and Credit," Graduate Research Colloquium, Institute for Humane Studies</i> |
| | <i>"Positive Public Economics: Reinterpreting 'Optimal' Policies," The Philosophy, Politics & Economics of Liberty Colloquium, George Mason University</i> |
| | <i>"Entrepreneurship as Coordination," Association for Private Enterprise Education</i> |
| | <i>"Positive Public Economics: Reinterpreting 'Optimal' Policies," Public Choice Society</i> |
| 2015 | <i>"The Breakdown of Spontaneous Order: Smith and Hayek Diverge," The Philosophy, Politics & Economics of Liberty Colloquium, George Mason University</i> |