

# Brian C. Albrecht

## Personal Data

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## Education

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Field</i>	<i>Institution</i>	<i>Year</i>
Ph.D.	Economics	University of Minnesota (expected)	2020
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*, 2018.

“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

“[Investment without Coordination Failures](#),” Job Market Paper, September 2019 ([slides](#))

“[Evolution, Uncertainty, and the Asymptotic Efficiency of Policy](#)” with Joshua Hendrickson and Alexander Salter, September 2018 (*under review*)

“[Coase, the Austrians, and Models as Foils](#)” with Brian Kogelmann, December 2018 (*under review*)

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

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

## Works in Progress

“Consumer Data and the Limits of Price Competition” ([slides](#))

“Market Persuasion” ([intro example](#))

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

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

## Honors and Awards

2019 - 2020 *Visiting Dissertation Fellow*, Mercatus Center, George Mason University

2015 - 2020 *Humane Studies Fellow*, Institute for Humane Studies

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

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

Summer 2015 *Graduate Research Partners Program Fellow*, University of Minnesota

Spring 2015, *Distinguished Teaching Assistant*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota

Fall 2014

2014 - 2015      *John S. Chipman Fellow*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota  
 2008 - 2012      *Presidential Academic Scholarship*, St. Olaf College

### Teaching Experience

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

### Invite Talks

2019      University of Mississippi (departmental), George Mason University (experimental workshop),  
 Clemson University (departmental)  
 2017      New York University (law and economics workshop)

### Conference Presentations

2019      “Evolution, Uncertainty, and the Asymptotic Efficiency of Policy,” *Southern Economic Association*  
 2018      “Consumer Data and the Limits of Price Competition,” *Summer Research Fellowship Colloquium, Institute for Humane Studies*  
             “Market Persuasion,” *Summer Research Fellowship Colloquium, Institute for Humane Studies*  
 2017      “Models as Foils,” *International Network for Economic Method*  
             “Political Persuasion,” *The Economics & Philosophy of James Buchanan, Duke University PPE*  
 2016      “Political Persuasion,” *Southern Economic Association*  
             “Lawless Money and Credit,” *Southern Economic Association*  
             “Lawless Money and Credit,” *Graduate Research Colloquium, Institute for Humane Studies*  
             “Positive Public Economics: Reinterpreting ‘Optimal’ Policies,” *The Philosophy, Politics & Economics of Liberty Colloquium, George Mason University*  
             “Entrepreneurship as Coordination,” *Association for Private Enterprise Education*  
             “Positive Public Economics: Reinterpreting ‘Optimal’ Policies,” *Public Choice Society*  
 2015      “The Breakdown of Spontaneous Order: Smith and Hayek Diverge,” *The Philosophy, Politics & Economics of Liberty Colloquium, George Mason University*