

# IAN FLETCHER

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## EDUCATION

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### University of Wyoming

*May 2022*

B.S. in Mathematics & Economics

Minor in Honors

### University of Wyoming

*December 2024*

M.Sc. in Economics

Chair: Alexander James

Committee: Klaas van 't Veld and Jacob Hochard

### University of Wyoming

*Expected May 2027*

Ph.D. in Economics

Chair: Todd Cherry

Committee: George Loewenstein, Linda Thunstrom, David Finnoff, and Jacob Hochard

## RESEARCH FIELDS

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Experimental Economics, Behavioral Economics, Environmental Economics, Economics of Education, Collective Action, and Policy Decisions.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Principles of Finance (Primary)

*Spring 2025*

Studies the management of capital in a business. Students learn how to use the time value of money to value cash flows and how to perform a financial valuation of a firm's assets and liabilities.

### Intermediate Microeconomics (Primary)

*Summer 2025*

Relative to a beginning course, this is a more advanced course on the theory of demand, production, cost and supply; and the theory of the firm, including market price under monopoly, monopolistic competition and oligopoly. Attention is given to the theory of factor prices and topics on welfare economics.

## PAPERS IN PROGRESS

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### Individual Preference Elicitation Transforms 'Social Carrying Capacity' into a Pragmatic Management Tool

with Chandler Hubbard, Todd Cherry, David Finnoff, and Jacob Hochard

*Revise and Resubmit at Nature Communications Earth and Environment*

### Dynamic Adjustments of Jackson Lake Dam Releases in Response to Climate Change

with David Finnoff

*In Progress*

### Experiencing carbon pricing

with Stefano Carattini, Chad Kendall, Michael Price, and Arthur Vu

*In Progress*

### A Century-Long Glimpse into Early Childhood Education: Evidence Across Space, Time, and Measurement Tools

with Faith Fatchen, Udit Karna, Faisal Kattan, and John List  
*Proposal Accepted at the Journal of Economic Literature*

## **Natural Disasters and the Intangibility of Risk Reduction: Experimental Evidence**

with Todd Cherry and George Loewenstein  
*In Progress*

## **Untitled Project on College Enrollment Influences**

with Alexander James  
*In Progress*

## **GRANTS, SCHOLARSHIPS, AND AWARDS**

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### **Awards**

2024-2025 University of Wyoming College of Business, Department of Economics Outstanding PhD Teaching Student

### **Scholarships**

2025 UWYO Department of Economics Charles “Chuck” Mason Graduate Research Award – Student Success and the Intangibility of Investment Returns: Experimental Evidence (\$4,000)

## **CONFERENCES AND PRESENTATIONS**

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### **Southern Economic Association 93rd Annual Meeting** 2023

Hubbard, C., **Fletcher, I.**, Cherry, T., Finnoff, D., & Hochard, J. (Attendee). Individual Preference Elicitation Transforms ‘Social Carrying Capacity’ into a Pragmatic Management Tool.

### **WyACT All Hands Meeting** 2024

**Fletcher, I.**, & Finnoff, D. (Presenter). Dynamic Adjustments of Jackson Lake Dam Releases in Response to Climate Change.

### **Colorado State University - University of Wyoming Joint Research Day** 2024

**Fletcher, I.**, & Finnoff, D. (Presenter). Dynamic Adjustments of Jackson Lake Dam Releases in Response to Climate Change.

### **University of Wyoming Department of Economics Second-Summer Paper Symposium** 2024

**Fletcher, I.** (Presenter). The Effect of College Sports on Student Enrollment: Evidence from a 1982 Media-Sharing Agreement.

### **Southern Economic Association 94th Annual Meeting** 2024

**Fletcher, I.**, & Finnoff, D. (Presenter). Dynamic Adjustments of Jackson Lake Dam Releases in Response to Climate Change.

### **WyACT All Hands Meeting** 2025

**Fletcher, I.**, & Finnoff, D. (Presenter). Dynamic Adjustments of Jackson Lake Dam Releases in Response to Climate Change.

### **AERE Summer Conference** 2025

**Fletcher, I.**, Cherry, T., & Loewenstein, G. (Presenter). Natural Disasters and the Intangibility of Risk Reduction: Experimental Evidence.

## **TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE AND SKILLS**

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| • MATLAB   | • STATA |
| • Julia    | • R     |
| • $\LaTeX$ |         |

## ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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Field Researcher in Grand Teton National Park for the Teton Group at the University of Wyoming *Summer, 2023*

Visiting Doctoral Student at the University of Chicago with Dr. John List *Summer, 2024*

## SERVICE AND PROFESSIONAL DUTIES

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### **Co-Executive Director of Tele-Hope 501(c)(3) non-profit**

A non-profit that uses a grassroots approach to suicide prevention in Wyoming. Our mission: To ensure that everyone feels supported and knows someone has their back. We strive to empower individuals aged 10-24 to understand what it means to be a good friend and to be there for others. By fostering confidence to share their stories and connect with others, we aim to create a community where no one faces challenges alone. We believe in the power and uniqueness of every individual's story and the hope that genuine connections can bring.

*Referee:* Journal of Political Economy