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Education

PhD in Economics, MIT (2021-Present)

Major Fields: Public Finance and Macroeconomics

Only leave academic year 2025-2026.

BS in Economics, University of Minnesota (2018-2020)

Other Employment

May 2025-Present
2022-2023
2021-May 2025
2020-2021
2017-2019

Economist, Council of Economic Advisers
Research Assistant, Christian K. Wolf
Visiting Fellow in Economics, [FREOPP](#)
Consulting Analyst, *Accenture Plc*
Data Analyst, Minnesota Dept of Transportation

References

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Honors and Awards

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| 2021-2026 | <i>Graduate Research Fellow, National Science Foundation</i> |
| 2024 | <i>Shultz Fund</i> |
| 2020 | <i>Don Lavoie Fellow, Mercatus Center, George Mason University</i> |

Working Papers

[“Why Tax Cuts Don’t Boost Capital as Much as We Predict: The Maintenance Margin”](#)

Presented at the 2024 Society for Economic Dynamics Meeting in Barcelona.

“Policy as Projection: A Semi-Parametric Approach to Optimal Tax Reform in General Equilibrium”

[“Selection into Tariff Avoidance and the Measured Welfare Cost of Tariffs”](#)

“Inflation, Investment, and the Mundell-Tobin Financing Channel of Monetary Policy,” May 2025. Joint with Giuditta Perinelli and Alex Tagliabracci.

“[Smooth Panel Local Projections](#),” with Jonathan S. Hartley

Works in Progress

“Reallocation Effects of Business Tax Policy”

“Elite College Admissions and Group Preferences: Evidence from an Elite University,” with Andrew C. Johnston and Nathaniel Winik

Publications

“[On Price Stability with a Job Guarantee](#)” with Brian C. Albrecht, *Contemporary Economic Policy*, 2022.

Policy Writing

“[The Disparate Geographic Impact of Inflation](#),” with Jonathan S. Hartley (2024). FREOPP White Paper.

“[Inflation’s Compounding Impact on the Poor](#),” with Jonathan S. Hartley (2022). FREOPP White Paper.

A list of popular articles for FREOPP from my time at FREOPP are linked [here](#).