

# JAKE ALTON JARES

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## EDUCATION

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Graduate School of Business, Stanford University  
PhD Candidate in Political Economics

Expected 2024

University of Rochester  
BA in Economics (with Honors) and Mathematics, *magna cum laude*

2017

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Political Economy, American Politics, Public Policy, Quantitative Methods, Politics of Agriculture

## PUBLICATIONS

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Anzia, S., Jares, J. & Malhotra, N. (2022). Does Receiving Government Assistance Shape Political Attitudes? Evidence from Agricultural Producers. *American Political Science Review*, 116(4), 1389-1406. doi:10.1017/S0003055422000314

## MANUSCRIPTS UNDER REVIEW

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Jares, J. & Malhotra, N. Policy Impact and Voter Mobilization: Evidence from Farmers' Trade War Experiences. Revise and resubmit at *American Political Science Review*.

Jares, J. & coauthors. Paper on Political Ideology and Gender in Top Management (title withheld for peer review). Under review at *Academy of Management Journal*.

## SELECTED RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

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Jares, J. Holding on to High Cotton: How Narrow Economic Interests Resist Retrenchment.

## BOOK PROJECT (IN PROGRESS)

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Holding on to High Cotton: The Modern Political Economy of US Farm Policy

Project Overview: US farm safety net programs—colloquially known as “farm subsidies”—have long been held up as a paragon of distributive politics. Political scientists and pundits gravitate towards a simple story: incumbent members of Congress work to send money home to appease a constituency whose votes and contributions are critical for their reelection prospects. This narrative made sense in the early years following the passage of the first farm bill in 1933. After all, roughly one in five Americans lived on the farm, and agriculture was one of the largest industries nationwide. Nine decades later, however, US crop production is but a shadow of its former self, amounting to less than 1% of the population, labor force, and national economic output—and yet, the farm safety net holds strong. In *Holding on to High Cotton*, I use an array of large-scale data sources to argue that 21st century farmers no longer have enough economic or electoral clout for the classic story to hold water. Fortunately for crop growers, neither ballots nor dollars are the main currency in the modern political economy of farm policy. Farm groups regularly plow through the opposition of conservative billionaires, and small groups often dominate larger ones. Across a variety of quantitative case studies, I argue that farmers' continued influence in Congress cuts through prevailing notions of how ideology, elections, and money shape the US policymaking process.

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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| Dee Graduate Fellowship, Bill Lane Center for the American West                    | 2023-2024 |
| Doll Graduate Fellowship, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research          | 2023      |
| American Democracy Fellowship, Stanford Center for American Democracy              | 2023      |
| Humane Studies Fellowship  | 2018-2023 |
| Jaedicke Merit Award, Stanford Graduate School of Business                         | 2018-2019 |
| Laurin Taylor Frisina '06 Ventura Award, University of Rochester Political Science | 2017      |
| William Morse Hasting Essay Prize (1st Prize), University of Rochester Economics   | 2017      |
| John Dows Mairs Prize, University of Rochester Economics                           | 2017      |
| Elected to Phi Beta Kappa, University of Rochester                                 | 2017      |

## TALKS

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### **Holding on to High Cotton: How Narrow Economic Interests Resist Retrenchment**

- American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting in Los Angeles 2023
- Frontiers of Money in Politics Research APSA Pre-Conference 2023

### **Policy Impact and Voter Mobilization: Evidence from Farmers' Trade War Experiences**

- American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting in Montreal 2022
- Stanford GSB PhD Alumni Conference 2022
- Democracy and Polarization Lab, Stanford University 2021

### **Does Receiving Government Assistance Shape Political Attitudes? Evidence from Agricultural Producers**

- American Political Science Association, Annual Meeting in San Francisco 2020

## TEACHING INTERESTS

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Political Economy, American Politics, Data Science and Politics, Money in Politics, Statistical Inference and Political Methodology, Public Policy, Politics of Agriculture and Food

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| Teaching Assistant, Power in Finance, Stanford MBA     | Winter 2021             |
| Teaching Assistant, Ethics in Management, Stanford MBA | Fall 2019, 2020, 2021   |
| Python Workshop Instructor, University of Rochester    | Fall 2016 & Spring 2017 |

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

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| Reviewer at <i>American Political Science Review</i>  | 2023         |
| Reviewer at <i>Journal of Politics</i> ( $\times 2$ ) | 2020         |
| Co-Creator of Aletheia, Preprints with Peer Feedback  | 2022-Present |

## NON-ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

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| Economic Consultant, Edgeworth Economics                   | 2017-2018 |
| Economic Consultant Intern, Edgeworth Economics            | 2016      |
| Regulatory Studies Research Intern, Mercatus Center at GMU | 2015-2016 |

## SOFTWARE

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Python, R, Stata, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Geopandas, PyTorch