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Current employment and affiliations

University of Colorado, Boulder, Department of Economics

Associate Professor (2021-present), Assistant Professor (2017-21)

National Bureau of Economic Research, Development the American Economy

Research Associate (2021-present), Faculty Research Fellow (2016-21)

Previous positions

Chapman University, Smith Institute, Visiting Associate Professor (2023-24)

Queen's University, Department of Economics, Assistant Professor (2014-17)

Chapman University, Economic Science Institute, Research Associate (2008-09)

Education

University of Arizona, PhD in economics (2009-14)

London School of Economics, MSc in economic history (2007-08)

George Washington University, BA in economics & international affairs (2003-07)

London School of Economics, General Course in economics & international history (2005-06)

Work in progress

“How Important Are Cultural Frictions for Internal Migration? Evidence from the Nineteenth Century United States,” with Erik Kimbrough and Nicole Saito.

“The Urban Wage Premium in Historical Perspective,” with Kyle Butts and Carl Kitchens.

“Resource Booms, Human Capital, and Parental Investments,” with Carl Kitchens and Luke Rodgers.

“Subsidizing Entry in Retail Electricity Markets: Evidence from the Rural Electrification Administration,” with Carl Kitchens and Andrew Smyth.

Accepted and published papers in refereed journals

“Economic Geography and Air Pollution Regulation in the United States,” with Alex Hollingsworth, Carl Kitchens, and Ivan Rudik, *Journal of Political Economy: Microeconomics*, Vol. 4, No. 2 (May **2026**), forthcoming.

“Did War Mobilization Cause Aggregate and Regional Growth?” with Dongkyu Yang. *Explorations in Economic History*, forthcoming.

“Poverty Dynamics and Social Mobility in Rural America,” with Dylan S. Connor, Johannes H. Uhl, Siqiao Xie, Catherine Talbot, Cyrus Hester, Myron P. Gutmann, Stefan Leyk, and Lori M. Hunter, *Population, Space, and Place*, Vol. 30, No. 8 (November **2024**), e2802.

“Highways and Globalization,” with Carl Kitchens and Sergey Nigai, *International Economic Review*, Vol. 64, No. 4 (November **2023**), pp. 1615–1648.

“Globalization and the Spread of Industrialization in Canada, 1871-1891,” with Ian Keay, *Explorations in Economic History*, Vol. 86, No. 4 (October **2022**), 101466.

“Spillover Effects of Intellectual Property Protection in the Interwar Aircraft Industry,” with Walker

- Hanlon, *Economic Journal*, Vol. 132, No. 645 (July **2022**), pp. 1824–1851.
- “Specification and Structure in Economic History,” *Explorations in Economic History*, Vol. 77, No. 3 (July **2020**), 101343.
- “National Policy for Regional Development: Historical Evidence from Appalachian Highways,” with Carl Kitchens, *Review of Economics & Statistics*, Vol. 101, No. 5 (December **2019**), pp. 777–790.
- “Shakeout in the Early Airframe Industry,” with Andrew Smyth, *Economic History Review*, Vol. 71, No. 2 (May **2018**), pp. 617–638.
- “Revisiting the Great Compression,” with Gregory T. Niemesh, *Historical Methods*, Vol. 51, No. 1 (March **2018**), pp. 39–48.
- “Entry and Pricing on Broadway,” with Maggie Jones and Mario Samano, *Applied Economics Letters*, Vol. 25, No. 10 (March **2018**), pp. 653–658.
- “World War II and the Industrialization of the American South,” *Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 77, No. 4 (December **2017**), pp. 1048–1082.
- “Ownership and the Price of Residential Electricity: Evidence from the United States, 1935–1940,” with Carl Kitchens, *Explorations in Economic History*, Vol. 64, No. 2 (April **2017**), pp. 53–61.
- “Bubbles, Crashes and Endogenous Uncertainty in Linked Asset and Product Markets,” with Erik O. Kimbrough, *International Economic Review*, Vol. 57, No. 1 (February **2016**), pp. 155–176.
- “‘You’re in the Army Now’: The Impact of World War II on Women’s Education, Work, and Family,” *Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 74, No. 1 (March **2014**), pp. 169–195.
- “Health on the Home Front: Infant Deaths and Industrial Accidents During Mobilization for World War II,” with Price V. Fishback, *Jahrbuch für Wirtschaftsgeschichte [Economic History Yearbook]* No. 2 (**2014**), pp. 15–30.
- “Go West Young Man: Self-Selection and Endogenous Property Rights,” with Bart J. Wilson, *Southern Economic Journal*, Vol. 78, No. 2 (April **2013**), pp. 886–904.
- “The Ecological and Civil Mainsprings of Property: An Experimental Economic History of Whalers’ Rules of Capture,” with Bart J. Wilson, Karl Schurter, and Andrew Smyth, *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*, Vol. 28, No. 4 (October **2012**), pp. 617–656.
- “Discovering Economics in the Classroom with Experimental Economics and the Scottish Enlightenment,” with Vernon L. Smith, and Bart J. Wilson, *International Review of Economics Education*, Vol. 9, No. 2 (**2010**), pp. 10–33.

Book chapters

- “Two World Wars in American Economic History,” with Price V. Fishback, in *Oxford Handbook of American Economic History*, eds. Louis P. Cain, Price V. Fishback, and Paul Rhode, Vol. 2 (**2018**), pp. 391–418.
- “World War II and US Economic Performance,” with Price V. Fishback, in *Economic History of Warfare and State Formation*, eds. Jari Eloranta, Eric Golson, Andrei Markevich, and Nikolaus Wolf (**2016**), pp. 221–241.

Book reviews

- Review of Alexander J. Field’s *The Economic Consequences of US Mobilization for the Second World War*, *Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 83, No. 2 (June **2023**), pp. 641–642.
- Review of Charlie Whitham’s *Corporate Conservatives Go to War: How the National Association of Manufacturers Planned to Restore Free Enterprise, 1939–1948*, *Economic History Review*, Vol. 74, No. 4 (November **2021**), pp. 1119–1120.

Review of Mark R. Wilson’s *Destructive Creation: American Business and the Winning of World War II*, *Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 77, No. 2 (June **2017**), pp. 629–630.

Review of John L. Neufeld’s *Selling Power: Economics, Policy, and Electric Utilities Before 1940*, *Business History Review*, Vol. 91, No. 2 (Summer **2017**), pp. 420–422.

Review of Bruce Smardon’s *Asleep at the Switch: The Political Economy of Federal Research and Development Policy since 1960*, *Economic History Review*, Vol. 69, No. 1 (February **2016**), pp. 406–407.

Review of Paul A.C. Koistinen’s *State of War: The Political Economy of American Warfare, 1945-2011*, *Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 73, No. 1 (March **2013**), pp. 297–298.

Review of Hugh Rockoff’s *America’s Economic Way of War: War and the US Economy from the Spanish-American War to the Persian Gulf War*, *Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 72, No. 4 (December **2012**), pp. 1108–1109.

Non-refereed publications

“Globalization and the Value of Domestic Highway Infrastructure,” with Carl Kitchens and Sergey Nigai, *VoxEU*, November 1, **2020**.

“Innovation Spillovers and Market Structure: Evidence from the Interwar Aircraft Industry,” with Walker Hanlon, *VoxEU*, January 31, **2020**.

“WWII and the Industrialisation of the American South,” *VoxEU*, June 17, **2017**.

“The Warring Forties: The Economic Consequences of World War II,” *Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 75, No. 2 (June **2015**), pp. 536–539. Dissertation Summary.

Teaching and advising

Courses

University of Colorado, Boulder	LEVEL	MOST RECENT
Econ 4514 : European Economic History	Undergraduate	Spring 2025
Econ 4524 : Economic History of the United States	Undergraduate	Spring 2025

PhD Supervision (* = main advisor or co-advisor)

University of Colorado, Boulder

Michael Karas* (ongoing), Pan Chen (2025), Rimjhim Saxena (2025), Anja Gruber (2025), Chaz Simmons (2025, Lead Forecast Analyst at the Salt River Project), Dongkyu Yang* (2025, Assistant Professor at the KDI School of Public Policy and Management), Weizhao Sun (2025, Assistant Professor at Grand Valley State), Kyle Butts* (2024, Assistant Professor at the University of Arkansas), Adam Pfander (2024, Associate at the Brattle Group), Peiyuan Li (2023, Assistant Professor at Duke Kunshan University), Colin Jareb (2023, Economist at the US National Wildlife Research Center), Matthew Hurt* (2022, Economist for the State of Idaho), Loren Kruschke (2022, Data Scientist at NRG Energy), Laura Wreschnig (2022, Analyst at the Congressional Research Service), Danny Kurban (2022, Associate at Analysis Group), Brian Marein* (2021, Current: Assistant Professor at Wake Forest University)

Queen’s University

Andrea Craig* (2019, Assistant Professor at University of British Columbia, Okanagan), Maggie Jones* (2018, Assistant Professor at Emory University), Sergei Shibaev (2017, Senior Vice President at Citigroup)

Undergraduate Thesis

University of Colorado, Boulder

Giboney Ashmore (2025), Tsering Sherpa (2023), Ansh Jhatakia (2022), Olav Rohnebak (2021), Benjamin Potter (2020), John Stafford (2019), Rebecca Landau (2018)