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CURRENT EMPLOYMENT & AFFILIATIONS

- 2025- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Middlebury College
- 2025- Research Affiliate, Population Wellbeing Initiative, University of Texas at Austin
- 2025- Advisory Board Member, Animal Welfare Economics Working Group

PAST EMPLOYMENT & AFFILIATIONS

- 2022-2025 Senior Research Fellow, Population Wellbeing Initiative, University of Texas at Austin
- 2022-2025 Senior Research Affiliate, Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford
- 2019-2023 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Oklahoma
- 2017 Research Consultant, International Monetary Fund

EDUCATION

- 2019 Ph.D. in Economics, University of Texas at Austin
Committee: Oli Coibion, Dean Spears, Saroj Bhattarai
- 2016 M.A. in Economics, University of Texas at Austin
- 2014 B.A. in Mathematical Economics (with honors), Temple University

PUBLISHED & FORTHCOMING PAPERS

- 2025 8. “[The Willingness to Pay for a Cooler Day: Evidence from 50 years of Major League Baseball](#)” (with Melissa LoPalo and Sean O’Connor*), ***American Economic Journal: Applied Economics***.
*Graduate Advisee
- 2023 7. “[Monetizing the Externalities of Animal Agriculture: Insights from an Inclusive Welfare Function](#)” (with Jonathan McFadden), ***Social Choice and Welfare***.
- 2022 6. “[Are IMF Rescue Packages Effective? A Synthetic Control Analysis of Macroeconomic Crises](#)”, ***Journal of Monetary Economics***.
5. “[Intergenerational Transmission is Not Sufficient for Positive Long-Term Population Growth](#)” (with Sam Arenberg, Nathan Franz, Sangita Vyas, Nicholas Lawson, Melissa LoPalo, Mark Budolfson, Mike Geruso and Dean Spears), ***Demography***.
4. “[Population Issues in Welfare Economics, Ethics, and Policy Evaluation](#)” (with Mark Budolfson and Dean Spears), ***Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Economics and Finance***.

- 2021
3. “Animal-based foods have high social and climate costs” (with Frank Errickson and Jonathan McFadden), *Nature Food*.
 2. “Climate action with revenue recycling has benefits for poverty, inequality and wellbeing” (with Climate Futures Initiatives Team), *Nature Climate Change*.
 1. “Utilitarian benchmarks for emissions and pledges promote equity, climate and development” (with Mark Budolfson, David Anthoff, Francis Dennig, Frank Errickson, Dean Spears and Navroz Dubash), *Nature Climate Change*.

WORKING PAPERS

- “The Speed of History” (with Loren Fryxell)
- “Is Less Really More? Comparing the Climate and Productivity Effects of a Shrinking Population” (with Sangita Vyas, Mark Budolfson, Mike Geruso and Dean Spears). *Under Review*.
- “Would a Larger Population Increase Long-run Incomes?” (with Maya Eden), *CEPR Discussion Paper DP18353*. *Under Review*.
- “Trade-offs Anywhere Imply Trade-offs Everywhere” (with Loren Fryxell)
- Presented at PSE’s workshop on Animal Welfare Economics
- “(Dis-)Incentives to Humane Farming Practices” (with Jonathan McFadden, Sharon Pailler, Zach Raff, Sharon Raszap and Trevor Wooley).
- Paper proposal pre-screened and invited for *Food Policy*’s 50th anniversary edition.

BOOK CHAPTERS, COMMENTARIES & POLICY WRITINGS

- 2025 “The ethics, economics, and demographics of delaying aging” (with David Manley), in *Essays on Longtermism* (eds. Jacob Barrett, Hilary Greaves and David Thorstad), Oxford University Press.
- 2023 “Animal welfare in economic analyses of food production” (with Jonathan McFadden), *Nature Food*.
- 2021 “Protecting the poor with a carbon tax and equal per capita dividend” (with Climate Future Initiatives Team), *Nature Climate Change*.
- “What Should We Agree on about the Repugnant Conclusion?” (consensus letter with 20+ coauthors), *Utilitas*.
- “Assessing IMF Involvement in Fragile States” (with Charles Collins and Shinji Takagi), in *Macroeconomic Policy in Fragile States* (eds. Ralph Chami, Raphael Espinoza and Peter Montiel), Oxford University Press.
- 2019 “Quantifying India’s Climate Vulnerability” (with Melissa LoPalo, Dean Spears and Mark Budolfson), *India Policy Forum*, Vol 15.

CONFERENCE & SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

- 2025 Stanford University (growth brown bag); Middlebury College; NBER (Low Fertility in High-Income Countries); Society for Economic Dynamics; Normative Economics and Economic Policy Seminar Series; Society for Benefit-Cost Analysis; Animal Welfare Economics Workshop, Paris School of Economics; Animal Liberation, 1975-2025 and Beyond; American Philosophical Assoc. Central Division Meetings; Southern Econ. Assoc. Meetings*
- 2024 UC Davis (ARE); NBER (Low Fertility in High-Income Countries); Society for Economic Dynamics (Summer, Barcelona); Oxford Economics Research Jamboree; Montana State University; Society for Economic Dynamics (Winter, Buenos Aires); Southern Economic Associations
- 2023 Welfare Across Species Workshop, Paris School of Economics; Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford; University of Houston; Hunter College, CUNY; Midwest Macro Meetings; Southern Economic Meetings
- 2022 Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics; Bank of England (Climate Seminar Series); Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford; Innovation and Scale Workshop, University of Texas at Austin; Southern Economic Association Meetings
- 2021 Welfare Economics and Public Policy (Virtual) Seminar Series; Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford
- 2020 Population, Climate Change and Social Welfare Economics, University of Texas at Austin; Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford
- 2019 Reserve Bank of India; University of South Florida; University of Oklahoma; University of Maine
- 2018 India Policy Forum, New Delhi; Macroeconomic Policy in Fragile States, University of Oxford; Texas A&M University

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- Referee: *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Monetary Economics, Review of Economic Dynamics, Journal of Economic Behaviour & Organization, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Nature Food, Social Choice and Welfare, Journal of Environmental Economics and Policy, Economics Bulletin, Labour Economics, International Economics, Nature Scientific Reports.*

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

2023	Open Philanthropy Project
2021 & 2022	Junior Faculty Fellowship, University of Oklahoma
2021-2022	Research support (consequences of low fertility), Longview Philanthropy
2021	Big XII Faculty Fellowship, University of Oklahoma
2021	Global Priorities Fellowship, Forethought Foundation

TEACHING AND ADVISING (UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA)

Courses Taught	Environmental Economics; Principles of Macroeconomics (Honors & Large Lecture); Independent Readings
PhD Committees (Chaired)	Sean O'Connor (first job: Federal Housing Financing Agency)
PhD Committees	Zhengang Xu
	Saini Das
	Brent Norwood
	Amir Tayebi
	Anthony Mayberry