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EMPLOYMENT & AFFILIATIONS

2022- Senior Research Fellow, [Population Wellbeing Initiative](#), University of Texas at Austin
2022- 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

RESEARCH FIELDS

Primary: Environment and Resource Economics, Macroeconomics
Secondary: Climate Change, Long-run Development & Demography, Normative Economics

WORKING PAPERS

2023 “[The Willingness to Pay for a Cooler Day: Evidence from 50 years of Major League Baseball](#)” (with Melissa LoPalo and Sean O’Connor). *Revised and Resubmitted: American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*.
 “[Assessing the Climate Benefits Against the Economic Costs of a Smaller World Population](#)” (with Sangita Vyas, Mark Budolfson, Mike Geruso and Dean Spears)
 “[The long-run relationship between per capita incomes and population sizes](#)” (with Maya Eden)
 “[Population Sizes, Scale Effects and the Speed of History](#)”

PUBLISHED & FORTHCOMING PAPERS

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| Forthcoming | 11. | “The ethics, economics, and demographics of delaying aging” (with David Manley), in <i>Essays on Longtermism</i> (eds. Jacob Barrett, Hilary Greaves and David Thorstad), Oxford University Press. |
| 2023 | 10. | “Monetizing the Externalities of Animal Agriculture: Insights from an Inclusive Welfare Function” (with Jonathan McFadden), <i>Social Choice and Welfare</i> . |
| 2022 | 9. | “Are IMF Rescue Packages Effective? A Synthetic Control Analysis of Macroeconomic Crises”, <i>Journal of Monetary Economics</i> . |
| | 8. | “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), <i>Demography</i> . |
| | 7. | “Population Issues in Welfare Economics, Ethics, and Policy Evaluation” (with Mark Budolfson and Dean Spears), <i>Oxford Research Encyclopedia of Economics and Finance</i> . |
| 2021 | 6. | “Climate action with revenue recycling has benefits for poverty, inequality and wellbeing” (with Climate Futures Initiatives Team), <i>Nature Climate Change</i> . |
| | 5. | “Assessing IMF Involvement in Fragile States” (with Charles Collyns and Shinji Takagi), in <i>Macroeconomic Policy in Fragile States</i> (eds. Ralph Chami, Raphael Espinoza and Peter Montiel), Oxford University Press. |
| | 4. | “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), <i>Nature Climate Change</i> . |
| | 3. | “Animal-based foods have high social and climate costs” (with Frank Errickson and Jonathan McFadden), <i>Nature Food</i> . |
| | 2. | “What Should We Agree on about the Repugnant Conclusion?” (consensus letter with 20+ coauthors), <i>Utilitas</i> . |
| 2019 | 1. | “Quantifying India’s Climate Vulnerability” (with Melissa LoPalo, Dean Spears and Mark Budolfson), <i>India Policy Forum</i> , Vol 15. |

COMMENTARIES & POLICY WRITINGS

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| 2023 | “Animal welfare in economic analyses of food production” (with Jonathan McFadden), <i>Nature Food</i> . |
| 2021 | “Protecting the poor with a carbon tax and equal per capita dividend” (with Climate Future Initiatives Team), <i>Nature Climate Change</i> . |
| 2018 | “The IMF and Fragile States: Assessing Macroeconomic Outcomes”, Background research paper (BP/18-01/05) for <i>The IMF and Fragile States: Evaluation Report 2018</i> , Independent Evaluation Office, International Monetary Fund. |

CONFERENCE & SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (*SCHEDULED)

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| 2023 | Paris School of Economics; Global Priorities Institute, University of Oxford; Hunter College, CUNY* |
| 2022 | Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics; Bank of England; 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

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| Referee: | <i>American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of Economic Behaviour & Organization, Nature Food, Social Choice and Welfare, Journal of Environmental Economics and Policy, Economics Bulletin, Labour Economics, International Economics, Nature Scientific Reports.</i> |
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FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS & AWARDS

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| 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)

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