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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  
2016            M.A. in Economics, University of Texas at Austin  
2014            B.A. in Mathematical Economics (with honors), Temple University

## RESEARCH FIELDS

Primary:       Agricultural, Environmental and Resource Economics, Macroeconomics  
Secondary:    Climate Change, Animal Agriculture, Growth, Normative Economics

## WORKING PAPERS

“[The Willingness to Pay for a Cooler Day: Evidence from 50 years of Major League Baseball](#)” (with Melissa LoPalo and Sean O’Connor\*). *Conditionally Accepted: **American Economic Journal: Applied Economics***.

\*Graduate Advisee

“[Population Decline: Too Slow and Too Small to Influence Climate Change](#)” (with Sangita Vyas, Mark Budolfson, Mike Geruso and Dean Spears). *Conditionally Accepted: **Vienna Yearbook of Population Research***.

“[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*

“[The long-run relationship between per capita incomes and population sizes](#)” (with Maya Eden), *CEPR Discussion Paper DP18353*. *Under Review*

“[How much should we pay to avert a bad life: Valuing reductions in industrial farming](#)”

A Pareto Principle for Pigs and Puppies? (with Luis Mota; in progress)

Long-run projections of animal production—A Macroeconomic Approach (with Jonathan McFadden; in progress)

## PUBLISHED & FORTHCOMING PAPERS

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| 2023 | 9. | “Monetizing the Externalities of Animal Agriculture: Insights from an Inclusive Welfare Function” (with Jonathan McFadden), <i>Social Choice and Welfare</i> .   |
| 2022 | 8. | “Are IMF Rescue Packages Effective? A Synthetic Control Analysis of Macroeconomic Crises”, <i>Journal of Monetary Economics</i> .  |
|      | 7. | “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> . |
|      | 6. | “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 | 5. | “Animal-based foods have high social and climate costs” (with Frank Errickson and Jonathan McFadden), <i>Nature Food</i> .   |
|      | 4. | “Climate action with revenue recycling has benefits for poverty, inequality and wellbeing” (with Climate Futures Initiatives Team), <i>Nature Climate Change</i> .   |
|      | 3. | “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> .                |
|      | 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.   |

## BOOK CHAPTERS, 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> .<br>“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. |
| 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)

2024	The Economics of Animal Welfare, Brown University*
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:	<i>American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Monetary Economics, Journal of Economic Behaviour &amp; 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

2023	Open Philanthropy (to co-organize animal welfare workshop)
2021 & 2022	Junior Faculty Fellowship, University of Oklahoma
2021-2022	Research support (consequences of low fertility), <a href="#">Longview Philanthropy</a>
2021	Big XII Faculty Fellowship, University of Oklahoma
2021	Global Priorities Fellowship, <a href="#">Forethought Foundation</a>

## **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