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EDUCATION

University of California, San Diego 2020-Present

Ph.D. in Economics

Advisors: Gordan Dahl (co-chair), Samuel Bazzi (co-chair), Itzik Fadlon, Eli Berman

Brigham Young University 2018

B.S. in Economics and Mathematics, Brigham Young University

Summa Cum Laude

FIELDS OF INTEREST

Labor Economics and Political Economy

RESEARCH IN PROGRESS

From Pews to Polls: The Effects of Church Peer Groups on Political Behavior, *with Jacob Brown*

It Takes a Village to Raise a Business: How Congregational Networks Facilitate Entrepreneurship, *with Jon Palmer*

Marriage Markets and Church Building: The Economics of Polygamy in the American West

Red Place, Blue Place: Tiebout Sorting and Labor Misallocation, *with Andre Gray and Jacob Brown*

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

“Mortality risk and fine particulate air pollution in a large, representative cohort of US adults.” Published in *Environmental health perspectives* in 2019 (with Pope III, C.A., Lefler, J.S., Ezzati, M., Higbee, J.D., Marshall, J.D., Kim, S.Y., Bechle, M., Vernon, S.E., Robinson, A.L. and Burnett, R.T.)

RELEVANT POSITIONS HELD

University of California, San Diego

Research Assistant, Prof. Julian Betts, 2022

Research Assistant, Prof. Samuel Bazzi 2022

Research Assistant, Prof. Sara Lowes 2022

University of Chicago

Pre-Doctoral Research Fellow, Prof. James Heckman 2018-2020

Brigham Young University

Research Assistant, Prof. Arden Pope	2016-2018
Research Assistant, Prof. James Cardon	2017-2018

Bates White Economic Consulting	
Summer Consultant	2017

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of California, San Diego	
Econometrics II	2022-2025
Public Economics	2022-2024
Data Analytics for Social Scientists	2023
Long Run Macroeconomics	2023
Economic History of the United States	2021

University of Chicago	
Behavioral Economics	2019

Brigham Young University	
International Trade	2018
Behavioral Economics	2018
Price Theory I	2016

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Co-founder/Director, Undergraduate-Graduate Economic Research Lab	2023-present
Referee for the Journal of Development Economics	2023
Organizing Committee Member, Southern California Graduate Conference in Applied Economics (SOCAE)	2022

FELLOWSHIPS, GRANTS, AND AWARDS

University of California, San Diego	
UCSD Travel and Research Grant	2024
Graduate Summer Research Fellowship	2023
UCSD Travel and Research Grant	2022
Graduate Summer Research Fellowship	2022
Graduate Summer Research Fellowship	2021
Regents Fellowship	2020-2021

Brigham Young University	
Economics Department Valedictorian	2018
Thomas S. Monson Presidential Scholarship	2012-2018
National Merit Scholarship	2012

OTHER INFORMATION

Languages: English (native), Portuguese (advanced)
 Computational Languages: STATA, Python, QGIS