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Skillset

Programming languages: *Python*, *R*, *SQL*

Data analysis: Webscraping, data visualization, automated reporting

General: Project management, economic analysis, stakeholder management

Education

University of British Columbia:

Masters of Economics, 2019

University of Winnipeg:

B.A (Hons) Economics (Gold Medal Winner), 2018

About

I am a Canadian economist with an interest in conservation, indigenous economies, urban economics, and sustainable economic development. My past work has been dedicated to projects that advance equitable development, conservation, and the “social good”. This is a condensed version of my CV that focuses only on my current role.

Experience

2021 - Present

Inference Economics

Founder and Lead Economist

In 2021 I founded Inference Economics alongside my business partner Eric Werker. The business model is similar to other economic advisories, with Eric serving as the expert and myself serving as the operational lead and primary analyst. I am responsible for all elements of the day-to-day operations of the business. This includes client management, business operations and many other roles.

Notable Projects:

Sinaa Agreement and related agreements:

The Sinaa Agreement is a tripartite agreement between the Qikiqtani Inuit Association, the Government of Canada, and the private donor community represented by the Enduring Earth Partnership. The agreement creates approximately 1 million square kilometres of protected oceans, ~100 jobs across 13 Arctic communities and provides a means of enabling Inuit hunters to be paid for living traditional lifestyles. The Sinaa Agreement guarantees \$270 million in funding for conservation and employment in Nunavut. When combining related agreements and ROI, the total value of this agreement rises to \$600 million, making it the largest conservation deal in history. I was the project manager and quantitative lead on this project. I developed a financial model to inform Inuit leadership of the true costs of developing a regional conservation model across the Qikiqtani region.

Economy of Camps:

We travelled to Jordan to conduct interviews with residents, aid workers, and policy makers in the Zaatari and Azraq refugee camps. We wrote a paper for the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees on the characterization of the camp's economies that included recommendations to improve the economic conditions of the camps and improve camp resident well-being.