

Mitchell Palmer

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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD – NEW COLLEGE	United Kingdom
• Received a BA in History and Economics with First-Class Honours .	Oct 2022-May 2025
• Relevant coursework: Quantitative Economics (78); Microeconomics (77); Thesis in Soviet Economic History (75); History of the World Economy (75); History of the Soviet Union, 1924-1941 (72).	
• Elected as Treasurer & Publications Editor of the Oxford University Conservative Association.	
• Won the Oxford Union inter-collegiate and LSE Intervarsity (pro-am) debating tournaments.	
• Won the Mont Pèlerin Society's 2022 F. A. Hayek Fellowship for an essay since published as a book chapter .	

YALE-NUS COLLEGE (<i>a joint venture of Yale & the National University of Singapore</i>)	Singapore
• GPA: 4.86/5. Candidate for BA (Hons). Withdrew due to college closure.	Sept 2020-Dec 2021
• Won Best Speaker in the Singapore Finals of the 2022 CFA Institute Equity Research Challenge .	

AUCKLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL	New Zealand
• Top of school in NZ Scholarship exams; Student Representative on the Board of Trustees; NZ Representative in debating, economics, and competitive computer programming.	2015-2019

EMPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE

ADAM SMITH INSTITUTE	London, UK
Economist (4 days/week; in-person)	Sept 2025-
• Leading the quantitative policy research programme, including papers on Stamp Duty and tax competitiveness .	

OFFICE OF HON. DAVID SEYMOUR MP (ACT PARTY LEADER)	Wellington, NZ
Senior Policy Advisor (1 day/week; remote)	Sept 2025-
• Developing the Party's election year policies, including the fiscal plan.	

Ministerial Advisor to the Deputy Prime Minister	July-Sept 2025
Ministerial Advisor to the Minister for Regulation	July-Sept 2024
• Led ACT's engagement with senior Coalition ministers on the initial development of Budget 2025 and 2026, the reform of the electricity market, and the complete overhaul of New Zealand's planning laws.	
• Scrutinised business cases for billion-dollar Crown capital investments on behalf of the Minister, in his role as Associate Finance Minister and chairman of Cabinet's Expenditure and Regulatory Review Committee. For instance, my work on a new medical school has been publicly released under the Official Information Act.	

CASTALIA ADVISORS	Auckland, NZ
Summer Analyst (Economic Consulting), Asia-Pacific	July-Sept 2023
• Developed the business case and financial model for a proposed \$1 billion social housing project.	
• Designed a long-term model of the NZ electricity market leading to \$60 million in government funding.	

NEW ZEALAND PARLIAMENT	Auckland, NZ
Economic Advisor to the ACT Leader and Parliamentary Party	Jan-Oct 2022
• Wrote the Party's Alternative Budget , as well as the housing and transport policies, for the 2023 Election .	

MILKEN INSTITUTE & PARTNERS GROUP	Singapore
Research Intern: Investor-Manager Relationships in Private Equity	Summer 2021
• Co-wrote an article on retail investment in private equity, published in the Milken Review .	

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- **Skills:** Python, Excel (including VBA), SQL, R (including data visualization), QGIS, financial modelling.
- **References available on request.**