

# Nicholas Hall

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## EDUCATION

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**University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT**

Master of Public Policy

May 2024

Academic Excellence Award, Quantitative Economics Concentration, GPA: 4.0

Bachelor of Arts, Economics, Political Science

May 2023

Honors Scholar in Economics, Major GPA: 4.0, CGPA: 3.96, *magna cum laude*

*Dean's List (2019 – 2023), Babbidge Scholar (2020, 2021, 2022), Alpha Lambda Delta Honors Society (2020 – Present)*

## WORK EXPERIENCE

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**Federal Reserve Bank of Boston, Boston, MA**

Research Assistant, New England Public Policy Center

June 2024 – Present

- Wrote clean and efficient code in Stata, including interacting with external and internal APIs, geocoding addresses, and managing multiple complex datasets to address research questions
- Applied econometric methods, including multivariate, difference-in-differences, instrumental variable regression to demonstrate causality and support policy recommendations and academic publications
- Produced publication-quality tables and figures with complimentary summaries to communicate research outcomes to subject matter experts, policymakers, and the general public
- Supported the development of published reports focused on New England economic conditions and policy

**Connecticut Department of Public Health, Hartford, CT**

Public Policy Graduate Fellow, Office of the Commissioner

August 2023 – May 2024

- Developed a formula to identify disadvantaged communities in order to promote health equity in Connecticut and distribute over \$10 million in federal funding annually
- Presented programmatic changes to the Connecticut American Water Works Association and hosted webinars for public water systems to provide in-depth overview of new policies and procedures
- Generated reports and analyzed data on childhood blood lead levels to implement preventative federal funding

Yale Public Health Graduate Fellow, Office of the Commissioner

June 2023 – August 2023

- Evaluated market power within a regulated industry to determine if further intervention was necessary
- Compiled branch-wide data to establish long-term, internal data dashboards in PowerBI
- Analyzed citation, complaint, and disciplinary data in R to ascertain trends in healthcare quality and safety

**University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT**

Research Assistant, for Dr. Charles Venator-Santiago

September 2022 – March 2023

- Collected demographic and economic data with complex filters using census reports
- Analyzed census data to create easy-to-read visualizations for key political stakeholders

Research Assistant, for Dr. Metin Coggel

May 2021 – December 2021

- Collected and cleaned crime, economic, and demographic data to develop a comprehensive dataset
- Cross-referenced multiple historical data sources to generate matches and ensure data integrity

Bennett Research Assistant, for Dr. Jeffrey Ladewig

August 2019 – May 2020

- Developed programs to automate scraping of previously-inaccessible web data
- Compiled datasets on 2020 Democratic primary candidates to contribute to a published book

**Larson for Congress, East Hartford, CT**

Campaign Intern

May 2022 – August 2022

- Conducted constituent outreach to gauge voter opinions and need for alternative voting methods
- Supported the campaign through data cleaning and matching in NGP VAN and VoteBuilder

**Office of Congressman John Larson, Washington, D.C.**

Congressional Intern

January 2022 – April 2022

- Conducted policy research and drafted strategy recommendations for the Congressman
- Handled constituent correspondence to address concerns and monitor sentiment on policy topics

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## PUBLICATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

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- **Stringency in Occupational Licensing Requirements: Explanations and Effects** (2023). *Honors Scholar Theses*. 941. [https://opencommons.uconn.edu/srhonors\\_theses/941](https://opencommons.uconn.edu/srhonors_theses/941)
- **Recent Trends in Vermont Childcare: A Decrease in Capacity, Increases in Cost and Quality, and Policy Responses** (2024). By Bo Zhao and María J. Luengo-Prado. Contributed research assistance.

## SKILLS

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- **Econometrics:** Advanced coursework; proficient in econometric theory and applied methods.
- **Software:** STATA, R, Python, SQL, PHP, Word, Excel, PowerBI