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Curriculum Vitae (CV)
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EDUCATION

2020–	PhD	Economics	University of Texas at Austin
2023	MS en Passant	Economics	University of Texas at Austin
2017	BA	Mathematics, Mathematical Economics	Pomona College

RESEARCH

- My current interests involve **applications of text analysis and natural language processing in macroeconomics**, particularly for studying the empirical effects of institutional communication, like those from central banks, on economic outcomes and expectations formation.

WORKING PAPERS

1. Tran, Paul L. (2025). “One Window Fits None: The Times Markets Need to Fully React to FOMC Announcements”. Job Market Paper. [URL](#).
2. Tran, Paul L. (2025). “Deciphering Financial Market Reactions to OPEC Announcements: A Neural Network Approach”. SSRN Working Paper No 4968664. [URL](#).

DISSERTATION COMMITTEE AND REFERENCES

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TEACHING HISTORY

- Since Fall 2024, student evaluations have rated my teaching 4.6 out of 5 on average.
- Since Fall 2020, student evaluations have rated my teaching assistance 4.4 out of 5 on average.
- I earned an [Advanced Teaching Preparation Certificate](#) in 2023 from the University of Texas at Austin.

University of Texas at Austin	Assistant Instructor	Fall 2024–	Introduction to Macroeconomics
	Teaching Assistant	Spring 2024	Macro and the Labor Market (MA course), Andreas Mueller Labor Economics (MA course), Gerald Oettinger
		Fall 2021–2023	Introduction to Microeconomics (Synchronous Massive Online Course for fall), Charity-Joy Acchiardo, Wayne Geerling, Dirk Mateer
		Summer 2022	Health Economics, Helen Schneider
		Fall 2020, Spring 2021	Introduction to Macroeconomics, Michael Sadler, Charity-Joy Acchiardo

OTHER EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

- Please see the “Teaching history” section for details about my teaching employment and experience.

2018–2020	Senior Research Assistant	Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System
2017–2018	Research Assistant	Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System

HONOURS AND AWARDS

2020–	Graduate Teaching Fellowship	University of Texas at Austin	
2025	PhD Summer Research Fellowship	University of Texas at Austin	\$5,000
2025	Empirical Macro Economics Policy Center of Texas Dissertation Funding	University of Texas at Austin	\$1,919
2024	PhD Summer Research Fellowship	University of Texas at Austin	\$5,000
2023	PhD Summer Research Fellowship	University of Texas at Austin	\$3,000
2017	Distinction in Economics Senior Exercise	Pomona College	
2016	Harry G. Steele Scholarship	Pomona College	\$4,000
2014–2015	Pomona College Scholar	Pomona College	
2013	Flextronics Texas Scholarship	Pomona College	\$1,000

MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION

- **Programming:** Matlab, Python, Bash, SAS, [FAME](#), (P)SQL, R, Stata, EViews, \LaTeX
- **Front-end Development:** Vanilla HTML, CSS, JS, Jekyll
- **Applications:** Visual Studio Code, Emacs, Git, Sublime Text, RStudio, Tableau, Microsoft Office
- **Operating Systems:** Unix, Linux, Windows
- **Languages:** English (native), Vietnamese (native)