

# Sean McCulloch

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Urban economics, applied econometrics, industrial organization

## EDUCATION

**Brown University**, Providence, Rhode Island USA

Ph.D. Student, Economics, September 2021 to present

M.A., Economics, May 2022

**Cornell University**, Ithaca, New York USA

B.A., Economics and Mathematics, *magna cum laude*, May 2019

## ACADEMIC SUPERVISORS

Matthew Turner  
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## WORKING PAPERS

[“The Distaste for Housing Density”](#) with Joseph Gyourko. NBER Working Paper No. 31710 (subsumes [NBER Working Paper No. 31710](#)), *submitted*

[“Sewers and Urbanization in the Developing World”](#) with Toru Kitagawa, Matthew Schaelling, and Matthew Turner

“A Unified Approach to Evaluating Neighborhood Amenities” (draft available upon request)

“The Local Price Effects from Upzoning: Evidence from Major West Coast Cities” (draft available upon request)

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Optimal Government Policy Choice for Cost-Benefit Rules” with Juan Yamin

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Department Travel Fellowship (Brown), Fall 2025

Population Studies and Training Center NICHD T32 Fellowship (Brown), 2024 to 2025

Abramson Teaching Prize (Brown), 2022-2023 academic year

Economic Policy Analysis Thesis Award (Cornell), 2019

## GRANTS

*International Growth Centre*, 2023, 19,700 GBP, Sewers and Slums in Developing World Cities (with Matthew Turner and Matthew Schaelling)

*International Growth Centre*, 2023, 41,000 GBP, The Effect of Sewer Extension on Brazilian Cities (with Matthew Turner)

## EXTERNAL PRESENTATIONS (EXCLUDING COAUTHORS)

AERE Summer Conference, May 2025 (upcoming)

European Meeting of the Urban Economic Association, March 2025 (upcoming)

AREUEA-ASSA Doctoral Poster Session, January 2025

North American Meeting of the Urban Economic Association, September 2024

TEACHING EXPERIENCE	<b>Brown University</b> , Providence, Rhode Island USA Econ 1630 Mathematical Econometrics, TA for Jon Roth, Spring 2023. Econ 1385 Intergenerational Poverty, TA for Anna Aizer, Fall 2022.
SERVICE	Vice president, Brown Economics Graduate Student Association, Spring 2023 to Spring 2024
RESEARCH EXPERIENCE	<b>Brown University</b> , Providence, Rhode Island USA <i>Research assistant to Matthew Turner</i> <b>June, 2022 - August 2022</b>  <b>University of Pennsylvania</b> , Philadelphia, Pennsylvania USA <i>Research assistant to Joseph Gyourko and Todd Sinai</i> <b>June, 2019 - June 2021</b>
SOFTWARE	INFLATE. Stata package to inflate time series to real dollars. Available on the Boston College Statistical Software Components archive (SSC).