Sebastian Brown

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. Economics

September 2019 – June 2025 (Expected)

University of California, Santa Barbara

Santa Barbara, CA

- Labor Economics, Experimental and Behavioral Economics
- Dissertation Committee: Peter Kuhn (Chair), Ryan Oprea, and Peter Rupert
- MA Economics awarded June 2020

B.S. Economics, B.S. Mathematics, Ballroom Dance Minor

August 2015 – December 2018

Provo, UT

Brigham Young University

WORK EXPERIENCE

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Economics Department

June 2017 – June 2019

Provo, UT

University of California, Santa Barbara

- Designed tests and homework questions to appropriately reflect intended student learning outcomes
- Took initiative to lead small teams of teaching assistants in course content creation, grading, and class policy decisions
- Dedicated time to teaching students individually and in group settings to ensure full understanding of course objectives
- Courses: Labor Economics, Intermediate Microeconomic Theory, Principles of Microeconomics, Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory

Research Assistant, Economics Department

June 2017 – June 2019

Provo, UT

Brigham Young University

- Led team of one other research assistant in creating an automated pipeline to gather and process elementary school lunch menus from the internet for use in nutritional economic research
- Developed skills in web scraping, data cleaning, code documentation, file organization, and optical character recognition in Python and Stata to create school menus database
- Assisted with faculty draft of paper involving job search models

Teaching Assistant, Economics Department

September 2016 - June 2017

Provo, UT

Brigham Young University

WORKING PAPERS

- [Job Market Paper] How Much Can I Make? Insights on Belief Updating in the Labor Market (with Kenneth Chan)
- Posting Pay Transparency and Worker Outcomes: Evidence from Recent US State Laws (with Thomas Fullagar)

PRESENTATIONS

BYU Economics Graduate Student Conference

All-California Labor Economics Conference (Graduate Poster Session)

59th Edwards Bayesian Research Conference

BYU Economics Graduate Student Conference

All-California Labor Economics Conference

June 2022, Brigham Young University September 2023, UC Santa Barbara February 2024, CSU Fullerton June 2024, Brigham Young University September 2024, UC Los Angeles

ADDITIONAL SKILLS

- Programming languages: (Advanced) Stata, Python, (Basic) R, MATLAB
- Romanian (Full professional proficiency)
- LaTex, Beamer, Microsoft Office