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Doctor of Philosophy, Business Economics, 2025

Victoria University of Wellington

Master of Commerce, Economics, 2016

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> Ian Whitwell Prize, New Zealand Association of Economists, 2016 Best political writer, Aotearoa Student Press Association, 2014

Sir Frank Holmes Prize, Motu Economic and Public Policy Research, 2014

How Restricting Migrants' Job Options Affects Both Migrants and Residents (with Corey **Working Papers** 

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The Longer Term Impacts of Job Displacement on Labour Market Outcomes (with

Dean Hyslop), The Australian Economic Review, 2018.

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Hyslop), Economics Letters, 155, 2017.

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