

# Ryan Strong

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## Education

<b>Brigham Young University</b> B.S./B.A., Economics; B.S., Mathematics	Provo, UT Apr 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• GPA 3.99; 170/170 GRE Quantitative/Verbal</li><li>• Full scholarship (8 semesters); Fall 2022 Economics Merit Scholarship</li><li>• Coursework: Machine Learning (Lasso, Random Forest); Advanced Econometrics; Real Analysis</li></ul>	
<b>Cornell University</b> Economics PhD	Ithaca, NY Aug 2023–Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Passed Qualifying Exams (Econometrics, Macro, Micro) on first attempt</li><li>• Coursework: Statistical Decision Theory, Machine Learning, Applied Econometrics</li></ul>	

## Experience

<b>Brigham Young University, Economics Department</b> Research Assistant, Professors Eide, Cardon, Showalter	Provo, UT Jan 2022–Apr 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Analyzed ATUS data for SES-sleep duration correlation</li><li>• Assembled NLSY data on divorce and achievement</li><li>• Used Stata for Difference in Differences, Triple Differences, Regression Discontinuities</li></ul>	
<b>Brigham Young University, Economics Department</b> Research Assistant, Professor Emily Leslie	Provo, UT Nov 2020–Nov 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cleaned state-wide data to study eviction-divorce impact</li><li>• Merged data sets</li></ul>	
<b>Bruegel Economics Think Tank</b> Research Intern	Brussels, Belgium May 2022–Jul 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Researched trade, renewable energy, agriculture in Russo-Ukrainian War</li><li>• Created citations/charts for European publications</li></ul>	
<b>Brigham Young University, Economics Department</b> Teaching Assistant, Political Economy	Provo, UT Jan 2023–Apr 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Led recitations, graded for Econ 477</li></ul>	
<b>Brigham Young University, Economics Department</b> Teaching Assistant, Intro to Econometrics	Provo, UT Aug 2021–Apr 2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Supported 50+ students with homework/projects</li><li>• Conducted exam reviews</li></ul>	
<b>Brigham Young University, Economics Department</b> Teaching Assistant, Statistics for Economists	Provo, UT Aug 2020–Apr 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Graded assignments for 100+ students</li></ul>	
<b>Cornell, Economics Department</b> Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Macroeconomics	Ithaca, NY Aug 2024–Dec 2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Graded exams, taught undergraduates</li></ul>	
<b>Cornell, Economics Department</b> Teaching Assistant, Intro Macroeconomics	Ithaca, NY Jan 2025–May 2025
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Taught sections, held office hours</li></ul>	
<b>Cornell, Economics Department</b> Teaching Assistant, Economics of Wages and Employment	Ithaca, NY Aug 2025–Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Teaching sections, holding office hours</li></ul>	

## Working Papers

- “Optimal Regularization for Local-to-Zero Ridge Regression”