

# Ryan Strong

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## Education

### Brigham Young University

B.S./B.A., Economics; B.S., Mathematics

Provo, UT

Apr 2023

- GPA 3.99; 170/170 GRE Quantitative/Verbal
- Full scholarship (8 semesters); Fall 2022 Economics Merit Scholarship
- Coursework: Machine Learning (Lasso, Random Forest); Advanced Econometrics; Real Analysis

### Cornell University

Economics PhD

Ithaca, NY

Aug 2023–Present

- Passed Qualifying Exams (Econometrics, Macro, Micro) on first attempt
- Coursework: Statistical Decision Theory, Machine Learning, Applied Econometrics

## Experience

### Brigham Young University, Economics Department

Research Assistant, Professors Eide, Cardon, Showalter

Provo, UT

Jan 2022–Apr 2023

- Analyzed ATUS data for SES-sleep duration correlation
- Assembled NLSY data on divorce and achievement
- Used Stata for Difference in Differences, Triple Differences, Regression Discontinuities

### Brigham Young University, Economics Department

Research Assistant, Professor Emily Leslie

Provo, UT

Nov 2020–Nov 2021

- Cleaned state-wide data to study eviction-divorce impact
- Merged data sets

### Bruegel Economics Think Tank

Research Intern

Brussels, Belgium

May 2022–Jul 2022

- Researched trade, renewable energy, agriculture in Russo-Ukrainian War
- Created citations/charts for European publications

### Brigham Young University, Economics Department

Teaching Assistant, Political Economy

Provo, UT

Jan 2023–Apr 2023

- Led recitations, graded for Econ 477

### Brigham Young University, Economics Department

Teaching Assistant, Intro to Econometrics

Provo, UT

Aug 2021–Apr 2022

- Supported 50+ students with homework/projects
- Conducted exam reviews

### Brigham Young University, Economics Department

Teaching Assistant, Statistics for Economists

Provo, UT

Aug 2020–Apr 2021

- Graded assignments for 100+ students

### Cornell, Economics Department

Teaching Assistant, Intermediate Macroeconomics

Ithaca, NY

Aug 2024–Dec 2024

- Graded exams, taught undergraduates

### Cornell, Economics Department

Teaching Assistant, Intro Macroeconomics

Ithaca, NY

Jan 2025–May 2025

- Taught sections, held office hours

### Cornell, Economics Department

Teaching Assistant, Economics of Wages and Employment

Ithaca, NY

Aug 2025–Present

- Teaching sections, holding office hours

## Working Papers

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