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Academic Positions

The Ohio State University

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

August 2025–present

Brigham Young University

Research Fellow, J. Reuben Clark Law School

2022–2024

Education

University of Chicago

M.A., Ph.D. in Economics

2025

Brigham Young University

B.S. in Economics, Mathematics (*summa cum laude*)

2019

Working Papers

Learning and Information Design on an Auction Platform

Fix the Price or Price the Fix? Resolving the Sequencing Puzzle in Corporate Acquisitions (with Matthew Jennejohn, Cree Jones, and Eric Talley)

Works in Progress

Identification in Models with Agent Learning

Information Demand on Centralized Exchanges (with Marco Loseto and Jacob Hartwig)

Retailer Self-Preferencing When Consumers Learn by Searching (with Oguz Bayraktar)

Click Probabilities and Optimal Reserve Prices in Position Auctions (with Ali Hortaçsu and Samuel Higbee)

Expectations and Innovation: SIGA v. PharmAthene's Effect on Term Innovation in Corporate Acquisitions (with Matthew Jennejohn, Cree Jones, and Eric Talley)

Selected Publications

A Comparison of the GB2 and Skewed Generalized Log-T Distributions with an Application in Finance (with James B. McDonald), *Journal of Econometrics*, 2024

The Asymmetric Log-Laplace Distribution as a Limiting Case of the Generalized Beta Distribution (with Jonathan E. Jensen and James B. McDonald), *Statistics and Probability Letters*, 2019

Presentations

IU Kelley, OSU, UNC Chapel Hill, International Industrial Organization Conference, Conference on Empirical Legal Studies, Law and Economic Theory, Southern Economic Association	2025
Winter Deals Park City, BYU	2024
BYU Graduate Student Conference	2022

Honors, Awards, and Fellowships

Rosen Memorial Fellowship Award	2024–2025
University of Chicago Social Sciences Division Fellowship	2019–2024
Martin and Margaret Lee Prize (High Score, Econometrics Core Exam)	2020
Warren Rollins and Murdell Hull Fund Scholarship	2019
National Merit Scholarship	2013–2019

Teaching Experience

The Ohio State University Econometrics II (undergraduate)	Autumn 2025, Spring 2026
University of Chicago (Teaching Assistant) Econometrics (undergraduate)	Spring 2024
Advanced Industrial Organization II (graduate)	Winter 2023
Competitive Strategy (MBA)	Winter 2023
Advanced Industrial Organization III (graduate)	Spring 2022
Empirical Industrial Organization (masters)	Winter 2022
Elements of Economic Analysis I (undergraduate)	Fall 2021

Professional Service

Refereeing	Journal of Policy Analysis and Management	
Organizing	Applied Microeconomics Seminar (OSU)	Spring 2025
	Industrial Organization Graduate Reading Group (Chicago)	2023–2024

Professional Experience

Amazon Inc. Summer Intern, Benchmarking	2022
Compass Lexecon Summer Intern	2017

Additional Information

Citizenship	USA
Programming	Julia, R, Stata, SQL
Languages	English (Native), Spanish (Proficient)