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Academic Appointments

King's College London Visiting Scholar	September 2018-Present
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State University of New York-Purchase Assistant Professor of Economics	2015-Present
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New York University School of Law Research Fellow	2014-Present
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Education

George Mason University Ph.D., Economics	2015
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New York University Visiting PhD Scholar, Department of Economics	2013-2015
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George Mason University Accelerated M.A., Economics, magna cum laude	2012
B.S. Economics, summa cum laude	2011

Research Grants

\$210,910	John Templeton Foundation (for "Startup Innovation: The Role of Regulation in Entrepreneurship") Co-Principal Investigator with Richard Epstein and Seth Oranburg	2017-2019
\$50,000	Matching funds to the Templeton grant from private donor	2017-2019

Editorial Duties

<i>Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy</i> , Guest Editor Special issue on public policy, technology, and startups	2018-Present
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Journal Articles

"Transaction Cost Economics, Labor Law, and the Gig Economy," **Journal of Legal Studies**, forthcoming (with S. Oranburg)

- “African Chiefs: Comparative Governance under Colonial Rule” **Public Choice** 174(3/4): 277-300, 2018.
- “Disrupting the Employee and Contractor Laws” **University of Chicago Legal Forum** 15: 397-408, 2017.
- “Federalism and the Police: An Applied Theory of Fiscal Attention” **Arizona State Law Journal** 49(3): 907-933, 2017 (with P. Boettke and E. Piano)
- “Re-evaluating Community Policing in a Polycentric System” **Journal of Institutional Economics** 12(2): 305-325, 2016 (with P. Boettke and J. Lemke)
- “Taming Leviathan” **Supreme Court Economic Review** 23(1): 279-303, 2015 (with P. Boettke)
- “Polycentricity, Self-governance, and the Art & Science of Association” **Review of Austrian Economics** 28(3): 311-335, 2015 (with P. Boettke and J. Lemke)
- “James Buchanan’s Contributions in Constitutional Political Economy, Institutional Analysis, and Self-governance” **Journal of Law, Economics, and Policy** 10(3): 649-667, 2014 (with P. Boettke)
- “Riding in Cars with Boys: Elinor Ostrom’s Adventures with the Police” **Journal of Institutional Economics** 9(4): 407-425, 2013 (with P. Boettke and J. Lemke)
- “Henry Hazlitt as an Intellectual Middleman of ‘Orthodox Economics’” **History of Political Economy** 45(5), 2013 (with P. Boettke)

Monographs

The Decline and Rise of Institutions. Elements in Austrian Economics. Cambridge: **Cambridge University Press**. Pp. 1-60: 2017 (with E. Piano and D. Skarbek)

Book Chapters

- “Entrepreneurship, Institutions, and Economic Prosperity” in *What America’s Decline in Economic Freedom Means for Entrepreneurship and Prosperity* (Published by The Fraser Institute)
- Book winner, Sir Antony Fisher International Memorial Award 2015
- “Balancing Flexibility and Rigidity: Do Unions Make Sense in the On-Demand Economy?” (with S. Oranburg) in *The Cambridge Handbook of U.S. Labor Law: Reviving American Labor for a 21st Century Economy* (Forthcoming, Cambridge University Press)
- “Evaluating Aid Agencies: Challenges, Comparisons, and Causes of Best Aid Practices” in *Foreign Aid and Economic Development: Micro and Macro Perspectives* (Forthcoming, Palgrave-MacMillan)

Other Scholarly Publications (Policy Papers, Book Reviews, etc.)

- “The Comparative Political Economy of a Crisis” *Advances in Austrian Economics* 20: 235-263, 2015 (with P. Boettke)

“An Economic Analysis of Overtime Pay Regulations,” Mercatus Working Papers, April 2016 (with D. Boudreaux)

- Submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), April 2016
- Invited (and accepted) to testify with OIRA, Washington D.C., May 4, 2016
- Featured & interviewed for the Society for Human Resource Management, May 2016
- Submitted to Department of Labor for a “Request for Information,” September 2017

“Does the DOL’s Overtime Regulation Make Sense in an Information Economy?” May 4, 2016. Mercatus Center Policy Brief

- Briefed congressional staff at “Regulation University” event, Washington D.C. May 4, 2016

Review of F.Sabetti and P. Dragos Aligica (eds.), Choice, rules and collective action: the Ostroms on the study of institutions and governance, *Public Choice* 161(3/4): 547-549, 2014.

Review of Evan Osborne, Self-regulation and human progress: how society gains when we govern less, *Public Choice*, 178(1/2): 315-217, 2019.

Work in Progress

“Women in the Gig Economy: Impact of Independent Contracting Opportunities on Female Labor Force Participation” (with Paola Suarez)

“Smart Contracts, Transaction Costs, and Decentralized Work”

“How Regulations Impact Entrepreneurship on Main Street vs. Silicon Valley,” invited book chapter

“Ranking Foreign Aid Agency Best Practices: New Donors, New Findings” (with C. Williamson), under review

“Are Emerging Donors Engaging in Poor Aid Practices?” (with C. Williamson), under review

Book: *ER Economics: Emergency Economics in Financial Crises* (with Peter Boettke), in contract negotiations with *Oxford University Press*

Selected Popular Press

“Actually, Curbing Uber Won’t Relieve Heavy Traffic” August 2, 2018. **New York Times**

“Don’t Be So Sure the Gig is Up” June 13, 2018. **Wall Street Journal**

“Adam Smith, Wilbur Ross Differ on Balance of Trade” Dec. 4, 2016. **Wall Street Journal**

“New Overtime Regulations Could Harm Tech Startups and Small Businesses” May 18, 2016. **Forbes** (with J. Hartley)

“Working Overtime to Avoid the Truth” April 8, 2016. **Wall Street Journal** (with D. Boudreaux)

“Innovating Ancient Ride-hail Regulation” Feb.21, 2016. **San Francisco Examiner** (with J. Hartley)

“An Uber Good Way to Even the Playing Field” Dec. 8, 2015. **U.S. News & World** (with R. Friel)

“Lessons from the Uber-de Blasio Showdown” August 10, 2015. **Newsday**.

- Reprinted in the **Providence Journal** and **Sun Sentinel**

“Political Self-Interest and Lobbying Lead to Bad Regulation” June 16, 2015. **U.S. News and World Report**.

“U.S. Regulations Stifling Entrepreneurs” April 15, 2015. **U.S. News and World Report**.

“Do Higher Minimum Wages Create More Jobs?” August 21, 2014. **Wall Street Journal** (with R. Mace)

“Misleading Minimum Wage Statistics” July 28, 2014. **U.S. News and World Report** (with D. Boudreaux)

“The Myth of the Great Wages ‘Decoupling’” March 7, 2014. **Wall Street Journal** (with D. Boudreaux)

“Encourage Consumer Choice” Oct. 20, 2009. **Philadelphia Inquirer**

Selected media-related activities

- Selected as 2016 **Forbes 30 Under 30** in Law & Policy
- Video profile and interview with **Voice of America – Georgia** (June 2017)
- Video profile and interview with **Voice of America – Armenia** (June 2017)

Service & Program Building

Organizer, Startup Innovation: Role of Regulation in Entrepreneurship, NYU	2019
Founder and Director, Startup Purchase (supports student entrepreneurs), SUNY	2017-Present
Faculty Advisor, Purchase Economics Club, SUNY	2015-Present
Organizer, Economic Lecture Series, SUNY	2015-Present
Organizer, The Future of Federalism Conference, NYU	2016
Organizer, Tech Entrepreneurs and the Regulatory State, NYU	2016

Teaching

State University of New York-Purchase

Macroeconomic Theory I (every semester since Fall 2015)

Econometrics (Fall 2015, Fall 2017)

Senior Seminar (Fall 2016, Spring 2017)

Macroeconomic Theory II (every semester since Fall 2015)

Senior Thesis Adviser to sixteen students

New York University

Introduction to Macroeconomics (Recitations), Fall 2014

George Mason University

Intermediate Microeconomics, Summer 2014

Principles of Microeconomics, Summer 2013

Awards & Fellowships

- 2018 IHS Research Sabbatical Award
- 2017 Foundation for Economic Education, Leonard Liggio “Rising Star Under 30” Award
- 2016 F.A. Hayek Summer Research Fellowship, Mercatus Center
- 2015 Sir Anthony Fischer International Memorial Award
- 2015 Israel M. Kirzner Award for Best Dissertation in Austrian Economics
- 2014 Law & Economics Fellowship, Classical Liberal Institute, NYU Law
- 2013 Richard Cornuelle Fellowship, George Mason University
- 2013 Marcia Whitney Scholar, Mercatus Center
- 2013-15 Bradley Fellowship, New York University, Department of Economics
- 2012-15 Mercatus PhD Fellowship, George Mason University
- 2012 Young Scholars Award, Association of Private Enterprise Education (APEE)
- 2011-15 Oloffson Weaver Fellowship in Political Economy, George Mason University
- 2011-15 Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies
- 2011 Wall Street Journal Award, George Mason University, Economics
- 2011 Outstanding Academic Achievement, George Mason University, Economics

Academic Presentations

- 2019 “African Chiefs: Comparative Governance under Colonial Rule” University of Birmingham
- 2018 “African Chiefs: Comparative Governance under Colonial Rule” Durham University
- 2018 “African Chiefs: Comparative Governance under Colonial Rule” King’s College London
- 2018 “Transaction Costs, Labor Law, and the Gig Economy,” University of Chicago School of Law
- 2017 “Taming Leviathan,” Southern Economic Association
- 2017 “ER Economics: Long-term Illnesses caused by Short-term Cures,” George Mason Univ.
- 2017 “Disrupting the Employee and Contractor Laws,” University of Chicago School of Law
- 2017 “Disrupting the Employee and Contractor Laws,” Duquesne School of Law
- 2016 “Startups and Regulation,” Southern Economic Association
- 2016 “Federalism and the Police,” NYU School of Law, The Future of Federalism
- 2016 “Startups and Regulations,” Public Choice Conference,
- 2015 “Taming Leviathan” and “African Chiefs,” APEE Conference
- 2015 “Aid the Role of External Influence in Polycentric Institutions,” Public Choice Conf.
- 2014 “Contribution of the Ostroms on Law & Economics,” Southern Economics Conf.
- 2014 “African Chiefs,” Southern Economic Conference
- 2014 “Transitioning Economies: Armenia’s Experience,” Manhattanville College
- 2014 “Polcentricism, Fiscal Federalism and the Role of Aid,” Bruno Leoni Institute, Italy
- 2014 “Polcentricism, Fiscal Federalism and the Role of Aid,” LUISS University, Italy
- 2014 “Colonial Impact on Governance in West African Chieftaincies,” APEE Conference
- 2014 “Colonial Impact on Governance in West African Chieftaincies,” NYU, Colloquium on Market Institutions & Economic Processes, Department of Economics
- 2013 “Riding in Cars with Boys: Elinor Ostrom’s Adventures with the Police,” APEE Conf.
- 2013 “The Relevance of the Municipality Debate for the Solution of Collective Action Problems,” Institute for the Study of Collective Action, Utrecht, Netherlands
- 2012 “Informal Institutions in post-Soviet Armenia” Southern Economic Association

Invited Public Lectures

- 2019 “Institutions for Innovation: Finding Favorable Climates for Entrepreneurs,” Fraser Institute Seminar, Toronto, Canada
- 2018 “Freedom vs. Fairness: The Tension Between Free Market and Populist Ideals,” NYU School Law, New York City

- 2018 “Can We Still be Optimistic about the Future of Work,” Reboot 2018, San Francisco, CA
 2018 “Institutions for Innovation: Finding Favorable Climates for Entrepreneurs,” The King’s College, New York City
 2017 “Institutions for Innovation: Finding Favorable Climates for Entrepreneurs,” Fraser Institute Seminar, Montreal, Canada
 2016 “Why Zoning for Affordable Housing makes Housing Un-Affordable,” Students for Liberty Conference, NYU, New York City
 2016 “Institutions, Technology, and Innovation,” Providence College, Providence, RI
 2016 “Institutions, Technology, and Innovation” Presbyterian College, Clinton, SC
 2016 “Institutions, Technology, and Innovation” Wofford College, Spartanburg, SC
 2015 “Colonial Impact on Governance in African Chiefdoms,” Loyola College, New Orleans
 2014 “Foreign Aid and Economic Growth” Students For Liberty, Columbia University, NYC
 2014 “Foreign Aid and Economic Growth,” Students For Liberty, LUISS University, Rome
 2014 “Introduction to Austrian Economics,” Rethinking Economics Conference, NYC
 2014 “Public Choice and the Growth of Government,” Students for Liberty, D.C.
 2014 “Comparative Economic Systems and Development,” Students For Liberty, D.C.

Referee

Journal of Econ. Behavior & Organization
 Journal of Institutional Economics
 Journal of Public Finance & Public Choice
 Foreign Policy
 Rationality & Society

Journal of Econ & Finance Education
 Review of Austrian Economics
 Journal of Private Enterprise
 Edward Elgar Publishing
 Rowman & Littlefield Publishing

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