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*Curriculum Vitae*

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**Education:**

2009	Ph.D., Economics; Dissertation awarded “with distinction”	Columbia University
2006	M. Phil., Economics	Columbia University
2005	M.A., Economics	Columbia University
2003	B.A. with Honors, Economics	Stanford University

**Employment:**

2015 –	Associate Professor, College of the Holy Cross
2009 – 2015	Assistant Professor, College of the Holy Cross

**Honors/awards/grants:**

2025	Faculty Marshall for Holy Cross graduation
2019	Holy Cross Research Associates Program (wikimap; funded)
2018	Invited by two student-athletes to the inaugural “Student-athlete academic excellence breakfast”
2012	<i>Economic Logic</i> blog discussed my paper “A Model of Tradeable Capital Tax Permits,” coauthored with Timothy Hubbard
2011	Winner of best paper prize at the Conference on Empirical Macroeconomics using Geographical Data, hosted by the SF Federal Reserve Bank and the BE Journal of Macroeconomics
2010	Batchelor-Ford Summer Fellowship, College of the Holy Cross
2009	Awarded Distinction on Ph.D. Dissertation, Columbia University
2006-07	Finalist for Presidential Teaching Award, Columbia University
2006-07	Wueller Teaching Award, Columbia University
2006-07	Lewis A. Sanders Endowed Fellowship, Columbia University
2005-06	Wueller Teaching Award, Columbia University
2004-05	Wueller Teaching Award, Columbia University

**Publications:**

“Intergalactic peer effects: The role of teammates in StarCraft 2” with Rob Baumann. *Journal of Sports Economics*, accepted.

“Asserting independence: Optimal monetary policy when the central bank and political authority disagree” with Dan Tortorice. *Journal of Macroeconomics*, Volume 85, September 2025, <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jmacro.2025.103694>.

“The Roundness of Antiquity Valuations from Auction Houses and Sales” with Melissa Boyle. *Eastern Economic Journal*, 48(4), 602-630, 2022.

“The Impact of Political Uncertainty: A Robust Control Approach” with Robert Baumann. *The B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy (Contributions)*, 16 (2), 837–863. 2016.

“Efficient Political Contributions with Conditional Coasian Contracts” with Bryan Engelhardt. *Journal of Economic Policy Reform*, 19 (1), 65-76. 2016.

“Endogenous Voting Weights for Elected Representatives and Redistricting” with James Hamilton. *Constitutional Political Economy*, 26 (4), 434-441, 2015.

“A Model of Tradeable Capital Tax Permits” with Timothy Hubbard. *Journal of Public Economic Theory*, 17: 916–942. 2015.

“The Relationship between Net Migration and Unemployment: The Role of Expectations” with Robert Baumann and Francis Sanzari (Class of 2011). *Eastern Economic Journal*, 41 (3), 443-458. 2015.

“Optimal Capital Taxation and Consumer Uncertainty” with Ryan Chahrour. *Journal of Macroeconomics*, 41, 178-198, 2014.

“Fiscal Policy Cyclicalities and Growth within the U.S. States” with Ayako Kondo. *The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics (Advances)*, 12 (2), article 2. 2012.

“Optimal Fiscal Policy with Robust Control.” *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, 36 (3), 349-368. 2012.

**Working papers / works in progress:**

“Investor response to the roundness of managerial forecasts” with Bryan Engelhardt and Alex Yen

“Student Uncertainty and Major Choice: A Robust Control Approach” with Joshua Congdon-Hohman and Anil Nathan

**Courses taught:**

Principles of Macroeconomics, Principles of Microeconomics, Macroeconomics,  
Quantitative Macroeconomics, Political Economy, Research Methods I