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EMPLOYMENT

Associate Professor of Economics, Brigham Young University, 2020-Present
Assistant Professor of Economics, Brigham Young University, 2011-2020
Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Brigham Young University, 2010-2011
Instructor, Brigham Young University, 2009-2010

EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, University of Rochester, 2010
M.A., Economics, University of Rochester, 2006
B.A., Economics, BYU, 2004

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Political Economy, Microeconomic Theory

TEACHING

Political Economics (undergraduate), BYU
Mathematical Statistics (undergraduate), BYU and University of Rochester

PUBLICATIONS

2022, Polarization and Pandering in Common Interest Elections, *Games and Economic Behavior*, 133: 150-161.

2019, The Marginal Voter's Curse, with Helios Herrera and Aniol Llorente-Saguer, *Economic Journal*, 129(624): 3137-3153

2019, Information Aggregation and Turnout in Proportional Representation: A Laboratory Experiment, with Helios Herrera and Aniol Llorente-Saguer, *Journal of Public Economics*, 179: 104051

2017, Ideology as Opinion: A Spatial Model of Common-value Elections, *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*, 9(4): 108-140

2017, Voting as Communicating: Mandates, Multiple Candidates, and the Signaling Voter's Curse, *Games and Economic Behavior*, 102: 199-223

2015, The Paradox of Information and Voter Turnout, *Public Choice*, 165(1-2): 13-23

2013, Aggregating Information by Voting: The Wisdom of the Experts versus the Wisdom of the Masses, *Review of Economic Studies*, 80(1): 277-312

WORKING PAPERS

Candidate Opinions Versus Voter Opinions: The Pivotal Calculus of Political Candidates

Why the Political World is Flat: An Endogenous “Left” and “Right” in Multidimensional Elections

Do Voters Trust Other Voters?

WORK IN PROGRESS

The Swing Voter’s Curse and Marginal Voter’s Curse in Proportional Representation Elections

Mandates from Other Politicians’ Voters, with Alex Lloyd

Policy Motivated Candidates in Common Interest Elections

The Invisible Hand of Politics: Inefficiently Efficient Political Tug-of-war

The Puzzle of Political Polarization: A Review of 65 Theories

PRESENTATIONS

2023: Utah Applied Economics conference, Hong Kong Baptist University, University of Southern California

2020: Econometric Society world congress

2019: Econometric Society winter meetings, Stonybrook Game Theory Festival

2018: Cornell University, University of Warwick, London School of Economics, London Business School, Royal Holloway University of London

2017: Econometric Society Summer Meetings, Caltech, UC Riverside

2016: Game Theory Society world congress

2015: Econometric Society world congress, Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory annual conference

2014: University of Oregon, Wallis Conference on Political Economy, American Political Science Association annual meeting, Public Economic Theory conference, Utah Valley University

2013: University of Chile

2012: Midwest Political Science Association annual meeting

2011: Wallis Conference on Political Economy, APET Public Economic Theory conference

2010: Stony Brook Game Theory Festival political economy workshop, American Economic Association winter meeting

2008: Wallis Conference on Political Economy, SED Conference on Economic Design, NBER Political Economy Group student conference, NYU Hamilton Center student conference on political economy

AWARDS/HONORS

Wallis Fellowship, W. Allen Wallis Institute of Political Economy, 2007-2008
Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies, 2007-2008
Graduate Fellowship, University of Rochester, 2005-2008
Gordon B. Hinckley Presidential Scholarship, Brigham Young University, 1998-2004

REFeree SERVICE

American Economic Journal: Microeconomics
American Economic Review
American Journal of Political Science
American Political Science Review
British Journal of Political Science
Chilean National Research and Development Agency
Comparative Economic Studies
Econometrica
Economic Inquiry
Economic Journal
Economics Letters
European Research Council
Games
Games and Economic Behavior
International Journal of Game Theory
International Journal of Public Opinion Research
Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization
Journal of Economic Theory
Journal of the European Economic Association
Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization
Journal of Political Economy
Journal of Politics
Journal of Public Economics
Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy
Journal of Theoretical Politics
Management Science
Mathematics
Political Behavior
Public Choice
Quarterly Journal of Economics
Quarterly Journal of Political Science
Rationality and Society
Review of Economic Studies
Social Choice and Welfare
Southern Economic Journal
Theoretical Economics
World