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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, Clemson University May 2025
Primary Field: Public Economics | Secondary Fields: Financial Economics, Applied Econometrics
Advisor: Howard Bodenhorn (Chair), Robert Fleck (Co-Chair)
Committee: William Dougan, Jonathan Leganza, David Agrawal (Outside Member)

M.A., Economics, Clemson University May 2022

B.S., Business Administration, Seton Hall University May 2020
Concentration: Economics | Magna Cum Laude | University Honors Program
Business Leadership Development Honors Program

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Research Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford University Jan 2025 – Present
Washington, D.C. & Palo Alto, CA

Research Associate, Tax Foundation Sept 2023 – Apr 2024
Remote

State Tax Policy Intern, Tax Foundation May 2023 – Aug 2023
Washington, D.C.

Research Asst. / Transfer Pricing Intern, Economics Partners (Ryan Co.) May – Jul 2020
Denver, CO

Research Assistant, First Things May 2018 – May 2019
New York City, NY

Research Assistant, Seton Hall University Jan – May 2020
Economics & Legal Studies Department, South Orange, NJ

WORKING PAPERS

"The Net Present Value of the Billionaire Tax Act: An Assessment of the Fiscal Effects of California's Proposed Wealth Tax", w/Rauh, Kearney, Doran, and Cosso, (SSRN)

"The Impact of Single Sales Factor Apportionment on State Tax Revenues: Short- and Long-Run Effects" – Job Market Paper (SSRN)

"Tobacco Tariffs in the Colonial Chesapeake" (SSRN)

"Do Baby Bonuses Increase Fertility? Evidence from Michigan" w/ Jon Hartley (SSRN)

"Wealth Tax Primer" w/ Joshua Rauh, Matheus Cosso, and John Doran (SSRN)

"Tax Abatements for Data Centers and Government Output: Short-Run Effects on Public Sector Activity" (SSRN)

"Switching to Single Sales Factor Apportionment and State Corporate Income Tax Base Effects" – In progress for 2023 working project by the IRS-Statistics of Income

PUBLICATIONS & COMMENTARY

"The Fiscal Losses From California's Billionaire Tax Act", Liberty Lens, 3/5/26 (w/Rauh, Kearney, and Doran)

"Taxing The Same Few Households Won't Reduce California's Risk", Liberty Lens, 2/26/26 (w/Rauh)

"VA Dems Promised Good Governance. Weeks After Storm, Roads Tell Different Story", RealClear Politics, 2/13/26

"How Gavin Newsom's California Made Homelessness Worse", New York Post, 1/27/26 (w/Rauh)

"How To Reform The CBO And JCT For Transparency And Accountability", Liberty Lens, 12/2/25 (w/Rauh and Heil)

"The CBO's Numbers Must Be Made Public And Checkable", The Wall Street Journal, 11/27/25 (w/Rauh)

“Now You See It, Now You Don’t: The Scorekeepers’ Shifting Estimates”, Liberty Lens, 9/16/25 (w/Rauh and Heil)
“Hubris in Scorekeeping”, Liberty Lens, 8/12/25 (w/Rauh and Heil)
“(Un)conventional Tax Scoring”, Liberty Lens, 7/7/25 (w/Rauh and Heil)
“Checking the Scorekeepers”, Liberty Lens, 6/11/25 (w/Rauh and Heil)
“The Big Bill: Growth Gains, Political Pains”, Liberty Lens, 5/15/25 (w/Rauh and Heil)
“State Tax Changes Taking Effect January 1, 2024”, Tax Foundation, 12/21/23
“How Are Electric Vehicles Taxed in Your State?”, Tax Foundation, 9/20/23
“State Tax Changes Taking Effect July 1, 2023”, Tax Foundation, 6/28/23
“How High are Beer Taxes in Your State?”, Tax Foundation, 6/27/23

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Clemson University, Department of Economics 2020 – 2024
Graduate Instructor, Principles of Microeconomics (Spring 2024, Summer 2024, Fall 2024)
Graduate Instructor, Co-Instructor Financial Economics (Fall 2023)
Head Teaching Assistant (Fall 2022, Spring 2023)
Graduate Teaching Assistant (Spring 2021, Fall 2022, Spring 2022)
Graduate Research Assistant (Fall 2021)
Graduate Grading Assistant (Fall 2020)

AWARDS & GRANTS

First Place, College of Business iGRADS, Clemson University Mar 2025
Early-Stage Dissertation Grant, Economic History Association 2023–24
Servant Leadership Award, Seton Hall University Apr 2019
Eagle Scout, Boy Scouts of America Jul 2015
Dean’s List, Seton Hall University (7 semesters)
Travel & Research Grants: National Tax Association (Fall 2024); State and Local Intermediate/Advanced Income School – COST (Summer 2024); Maryland State Archives Data Collection (Spring/Summer 2023); Multiple Clemson Graduate Travel Grants

CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS

National Tax Association, November 2025: “Tax Abatements for Data Centers and Government Output”
Workshop on Budget Analysis and Public Policy, Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research, August 2025: “The Effect of Federal Borrowing on Private Investment” (w/ Joshua Rauh)
Clemson Public Economics Workshop (Fall 2021–Present): Multiple papers presented
National Tax Association, November 2024: “Switching to Single Sales Factor Apportionment and State Tax Revenues”
National Tax Association, November 2023: Graduate Student Research Forum (Poster Session)
Tollison Teaching Workshop with Gail Hoyt, May 2021
Southeast Economic Conference, November 2020: “Fringe Sports and Communist Countries” (w/ Kurt Rotthoff)
Newman Association of America Conference, August 2019: “Origin and Development of the University System in the United States and Newman”
Newman Association of America Conference, August 2018: “On the Beauty of Education: Continuities and Developments between Newman’s Idea of a University and Ex Corde Ecclesiae”

CERTIFICATES & AFFILIATIONS

State and Local Intermediate/Advanced Income School, Council on State Taxation (COST) – May 2024
State and Local Basics School, Council on State Taxation (COST) – May 2023
National Tax Association (October 2023–Present)

Economic History Association (January 2023–Present)
Economics Honors Society, Seton Hall University (Inducted April 2019)

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages & Tools: R, Stata, GitHub, LaTeX, Microsoft Office Suite

Databases: Lexis Nexis, Bloomberg Tax, CCH-Answers Connect, Thomson Reuters-Checkpoint Edge, Tax Notes; State Department of Revenue websites

SERVICE

University Strategic Planning Steering Committee Member on University Mission, Seton Hall University (2019–2020)

REFERENCES

<p>Howard Bodenhorn Professor of Economics, Clemson University bodnhrn@clemson.edu</p> <p>Joshua Rauh Senior Fellow, Hoover Institution & Professor of Finance, Stanford GSB rauh@stanford.edu</p>	<p>William Dougan Alumni Distinguished Professor, Clemson University douganw@clemson.edu</p> <p>David Agrawal Professor of Economics, UC Irvine David.agrawal@uci.edu</p>
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