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Research Interests

mechanism design, dynamic games, learning, contests, experimental economics

Employment

Associate Professor of Economics, Virginia Commonwealth University, 2019 - Present

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Chapman University, 2017 - 2019

Education

Ph.D. in Economics, Texas A&M University, 2011 - 2017

B.Sc. (Summa Cum Laude) in Economics, Campbell University, 2006 - 2010

Publications

Testing the simplicity of strategy-proof mechanisms
with Alexander Brown and Rodrigo Velez
Economic Theory (2025)

Multi-battle Contests Over Complementary Battlefields
Review of Economic Design (2024)

Assignment Feedback in School Choice Mechanisms
Experimental Economics (2022)

Bargains, Price Signaling, and Efficiency in Markets with Asymmetric Information
Games and Economic Behavior (2021) (with Mark Schneider)

Playing the Field in All Pay Auctions
Experimental Economics (2021) (with Alex Brown)

Coordination and Evolutionary Dynamics: When are Evolutionary Models Reliable?
Games and Economic Behavior (2019)

Continuous-Time Experiments
Handbook of Experimental Game Theory (2020) (with Alexander L. Brown)
Rachel Croson, Tanya Rosenblatt, and Mary Rigdon (eds.)

Working Papers

The Endogenous Nature of War and Its Economic Consequences
(with Jordan Adamson)

The Reliability of Equilibrium in Conflicts over Complementary Factors
Knowledge, Interest Rates, and Asset Price Bubbles

Teaching

ECON 338, Game Theory, Virginia Commonwealth University

SCMA 524, Statistical Analysis, Virginia Commonwealth University

Econ 202, Principles of Economics, Texas A&M University

Econ 459, Games and Economic Behavior, Texas A&M University

Awards

Distinguished Early Career Award
Virginia Commonwealth University, 2024

The John Van Huyck Graduate Fellowship
Department of Economics, Texas A&M University, 2016

The S. Charles Maurice Graduate Fellowship
Department of Economics, Texas A&M University, 2015

Outstanding Graduate Instructor in Upper Level Economics
Department of Economics, Texas A&M University, 2015

Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant
National Science Foundation, 2014