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## ACADEMIC POSITIONS

August 2009                      Assistant Professor of Economics, Utah State University

## EDUCATION

April 2009                      Ph.D. Economics, George Mason University  
May 2007                      M.A.Economics, George Mason University  
May 2004                      B.S. Finance, George Mason University  
May 2004                      Diploma in Business Administration, University of Applied  
Sciences (Aachen/Germany)

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

“Deregulation Despite Transitional Gains – The Brewers Guild of Cologne 1461,” *Public Choice*,  
*Vol. 140, Issue 3: 329-3340*

## WORKING PAPERS

“An Entrepreneurial Theory of Regulation,” working paper

“The Brewer, the Baker, and the Monopoly Maker– The German Purity Law for Beer,” working  
paper

“Not without my Human Capital – Economic Freedom and the Brain Drain,” with Adam Martin,  
working paper

“Sanctions in Practice – Examining the Impact of Changes to Federal Rule 11,” with Michael Webb,  
under review

“From Vienna to Virginia – Subjectivism in Virginia Public Choice,” with Michael Thomas, working  
paper

“Incredible – The Great Chain and False Expertise,” with Dr. Daniel Klein, book project

“Amity and the Extended Order,” with Adam Martin, work in progress

## **PAPER PRESENTATIONS**

“From Vienna to Virginia – Subjectivism in Virginia Public Choice,” From Vienna to Virginia, Foundation for Economic Education, September 20<sup>th</sup> 2008

“The Brewer, the Baker, and the Monopoly Maker– The German Purity Law for Beer,” Social Change Workshop with the Institute for Humane Studies, Brown University, Providence, Rhode Island, June 24<sup>th</sup> 2008

“Deregulation Despite Transitional Gains – The Brewers Guild of Cologne 1461,” The Association of Private Enterprise Education Annual Conference, Las Vegas, Nevada, April 8<sup>th</sup> 2008

“Deregulation Despite Transitional Gains – The Brewers Guild of Cologne 1461,” Annual Meeting of the Public Choice Society, San Antonio, Texas, March 7<sup>th</sup> 2008

“Not without my Human Capital – Economic Freedom and the Brain Drain,” Austrian Student Scholars Conference, Grove City College, Grove City, Pennsylvania, November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2008

## **COURSES TAUGHT**

Economics for the Citizen (ECON 100), George Mason University

- Fall 2008 – one section
- Designed and taught course

Principles of Macroeconomics (ECON 104), George Mason University

- Summer 2008 – one section
- Designed and taught course

Intermediate Microeconomics (ECON 306), George Mason University

- Fall 2006 – two sections, Spring 2007 – two sections
- Designed and taught course

## **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

August 2007 – May 2008      Research and Teaching Assistant for Professor Bryan Caplan, Labor Economics (ECON 321), Public Finance (ECON 849), Industrial Organization (ECON 370), Microeconomics (ECON 812)

August 2005 – May 2006      Research and Teaching Assistant for Professor Dan Klein  
Principles of Microeconomics (ECON 103)

## **OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

### **Allianz Global Investors, Frankfurt, Germany** ***Junior Portfolio Manager, European Small and Mid Caps***

My tasks included:

- fundamental analysis and stock valuation
- meetings with executive management of companies
- portfolio performance analysis
- preparation of monthly and annual reports for corporate investors
- preparation of research notes and IPO reports

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND ACADEMIC HONORS**

August 2008 – present	Mercatus Center Dissertation Fellow
May 2008 – August 2008	Mercatus Center Summer Research Fellowship
August 2005 – May 2008	Research and Teaching Assistantship, Economics Department, George Mason University
June 2006 – August 2006	Koch Summer Fellowship

## **CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS ATTENDED (2008)**

September 2008	Economic History Association Meeting, New Haven CT
September 2008	From Vienna to Virginia Conference (FEE), Irvington-on-Hudson, NY
June 2008	Social Change Workshop (IHS), Providence RI
April 2008	Graduate Student Seminar on Spontaneous Orders and Experimental Economics (IFRE), Arlington VA
April 2008	Association for Private Enterprise Education Annual Meeting, Las Vegas, NV
March 2008	Public Choice Society Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX

## REFERENCES

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