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EMPLOYMENT

University of Pennsylvania Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Economics	2023 - Present
George Mason University Graduate Lecturer, Department of Economics	2021-2022

EDUCATION

George Mason University Ph.D., Economics	2023
B.S., Economics (<i>Departmental honors</i>)	2018

CURRENT RESEARCH

Research Interests

Primary: Economic History, Political Economy
Secondary: Spatial Econometrics, Network Analysis

Working Papers

- Itinerant Kings.
- [Magna Carta](#) (with Mark Koyama and Desiree Desierto). *Under Review*.
- [Travel Speed over the *Longue Durée*](#). *Under Review*.
- [Did the Great Leveling Begin After 1921?](#) (with Vincent Geloso and Patrick Fitzsimmons). *Under Review*.

Works in Progress

- A Theory of Special Legislation and Its Decline (with Slade Mendenhall)
- The Dark Side of Nation Building: The Case of the Spanish Inquisition (with Patrick Fitzsimmons).
- The End of Antiquity: The Pirenne Thesis Reconsidered

REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

- **Hall, Jacob R.** (2022). "From Hume to Smith on the Common Law and English Liberty: A Comment on Paul Sagar." *Econ Journal Watch* 19(1), pp. 109-123. (Reprinted in [Klein and Briggeman \(2022\)](#))
- **Hall, Jacob** and Shera, Marcus. (2020). "Classical Liberals on 'Social Justice'." *Economic Affairs*, 40(3), pp.467-483.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Academic

- Klein, D., Briggeman, J., and **Hall, J.** (2021). "Foreword to "Hume's Manuscript Account of the Extraordinary Affair Between Him and Rousseau." *Econ Journal Watch* 18(2): 278-326.

Popular

- "David Hume on the Common Law and English Liberty." *Adam Smith Works*. 27 June 2022. [Link](#).

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

John and Daria Barry Fellow <i>John and Daria Barry Foundation</i>	2023 - Present
Adam Smith Program Fellow <i>George Mason University, Economics Department</i>	2019 - 2024
Ph.D. Fellow <i>Mercatus Center</i>	2020 - 2023
Graduate Student Summer Research Fellowship <i>Mercatus Center</i>	2021 - 2023
Humane Studies Fellowship <i>Institute for Humane Studies (Annual)</i>	2019 - 2022
Undergraduate Carl Menger Essay Prize (1/3) <i>Society for the Development of Austrian Economics</i>	2017

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee Experience: *Public Choice* (2)

Memberships: Economic History Association, Economic History Society, Southern Economic Association, Public Choice Society

Conference and Workshop Presentations (Including Planned)

2024: Barry Fellowship Paper Workshop (Zoom), Public Choice Society (Plano)

2023: Public Choice Society (Seattle), Virginia Association of Economists (Richmond), Southern Economic Association (New Orleans)

2022: Economic History Society (Oxford), Southern Economics Association (Fort Lauderdale), George Mason University (Invisible Hand Seminar)

2021: Southern Economics Association (Houston), APEE (Fort Lauderdale)

2018: Virginia Association of Economists (Radford)

2017: Southern Economics Association (Tampa)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Foundations of Market Economies (UPenn, with Jesus Fernández-Villaverde)	Fall 2023
Economics of Developing Areas (George Mason)	Spring 2022
Topics in Economic History (George Mason)	Fall 2021

REFERENCES

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