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## EMPLOYMENT

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

## EDUCATION

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

## CURRENT RESEARCH

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### Research Interests

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

### Working Papers

- [Itinerant Kings](#). *Under Review*.
- [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). *R&R*.

### Works in Progress

- A Theory of Special Legislation and Its Decline (with Slade Mendenhall)
- The Rise of Islam and the End of Antiquity
- The Spanish Inquisition (with Patrick Fitzsimmons and Henry Thompson).

## REFEREED PUBLICATIONS

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- **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

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### 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

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John and Daria Barry Postdoctoral 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</i> (Annual)	2019 - 2022
Undergraduate Carl Menger Essay Prize (1/3) <i>Society for the Development of Austrian Economics</i>	2017

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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**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), Markets & Society Conference (Fairfax), WINIR (Pittsburgh), Southern Economics Association (Washington, D.C.)

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)

### Workshops & Colloquia

2024: Law & Economics Introduction to Public Choice (Plano)

### Media Appearances

“Markets and their Critics” Webinar, PISM (x2 lectures) March/April 2024

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Instructor

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

### Teaching Assistant

Political Economy of the Americas (Dr. Fernando Arteaga, UPenn)	Fall 2023
Economic Philosophy (Dr. Daniel Klein, George Mason)	Spring 2023
Smithian Political Economy (Dr. Daniel Klein, George Mason)	Fall 2022

## REFERENCES

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### Jesus Fernández-Villaverde

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### Noel Johnson

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*Dissertation Chair*

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