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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	2018

## CURRENT RESEARCH

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### Research Interests

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

### Working Papers

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

### Works in Progress

- A Theory of Special Legislation and Its Decline (with Slade Mendenhall)
- Islam, Trade, and the Rise of Northwestern Europe (with Marcus Shera)
- 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 - 2023
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

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

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**Referee Experience:** *Public Choice* (3)

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

### Conference Presentations (Including Planned)

2024: Public Choice Society, Markets & Society Conference, WINIR, Southern Economics Association, ASSA Meetings

2023: Public Choice Society, Virginia Association of Economists, Southern Economic Association

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

2021: Southern Economics Association, APEE

2018: Virginia Association of Economists

2017: Southern Economics Association

### Workshops & Colloquia

2024: Law & Economics Introduction to Public Choice (Plano), Barry Fellowship Paper Workshop (Zoom)

### Media Appearances

“Markets and their Critics,” Webinar (x2) March/April 2024  
*Penn Institute for the Study of Markets*

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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### Instructor

Foundations of Market Economies (UPenn, with Jesus Fernández-Villaverde)	Fall 2023, 2024
Economics of Developing Areas (George Mason)	Spring 2022
Topics in Economic History (George Mason)	Fall 2021

### Teaching Assistant

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

## REFERENCES

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### Jesus Fernández-Villaverde

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*Postdoctoral Supervisor*

### Noel Johnson

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### Mark Koyama

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