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## EMPLOYMENT

Assistant Professor of Economics, Department of Economics, Colby College, 2013-present

## EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, University of California – Irvine, 2013  
B.A. in Economics (*cum laude*), California State University – Chico, 2003

## RESEARCH AREAS

Economic History, Urban Economics

## WORKING PAPERS

“Housing Cycles, Delinquent Taxes, and U.S. City Budgets during the Roaring Twenties and the Great Depression” (request for revision)

## PUBLICATIONS

“Clean Slate: Land-Use Changes in San Francisco after the 1906 Disaster,” *Explorations in Economic History*, 65 (July 2017): 1–16. [Awarded the 2018 Larry Neal Prize for best article in *Explorations in Economic History*]

“Razing San Francisco: The 1906 Disaster as a Natural Experiment in Urban Redevelopment,” *Journal of Urban Economics*, 89 (September 2015): 48–61.

## WORK IN PROGRESS

“The 1906 San Francisco Disaster and Business Agglomeration in the City”

“The (Golden) Gated City: The Great Fire, the Cost of Zoning, and San Francisco Housing Prices” (with Devin Buntin)

“Local Origins and Implications of the 1930s Urban Debt Crisis” (with Samara Gunter)

## TEACHING

Colby College: Economic History of the U.S., Institutions in Economic History, Principles of Macroeconomics, Urban and Regional Economics, The City in Economic History

UC Irvine: Probability and Statistics in Economics

## **HONORS AND AWARDS**

Charles A. Lave Paper Prize for Creative Modeling in Social Sciences, UC Irvine (2012)

Ken Small Award for Best Ph.D. Student in Transportation and Urban Economics, UC Irvine (2012)

Art DeVaney Best Paper Award, UC Irvine (2012)

George R. and Cathleen Hill Economics Fellowship, UC Irvine (Spring 2012)

Social Sciences Associate Dean's Fellowship for Academic Excellence, UC Irvine (Winter 2011)

## **FELLOWSHIPS AND GRANTS**

Social Sciences Division Research Grant, Colby College (2014)

Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies (2012-2013)

Research Grant, All-UC Group in Economic History (2011, 2012)

Summer Research Fellowship, UC Irvine (2011, 2012)

## **CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS**

2018 Liberal Arts Colleges Economic History Workshop, Mt. Holyoke College

2017 Social Science History Association, Montreal  
Western Economic Association International, San Diego  
Economic and Business History Society, Oklahoma City

2016 Urban Economics Association, Minneapolis

2015 Economic History Association, Nashville

2014 Urban Economics Association, Washington D.C.  
George Mason University (seminar)  
Canadian Network for Economic History, Trent University  
International Society for New Institutional Economics, Duke University  
West Virginia University (seminar)  
ASSA/AEA, Philadelphia

2013 NBER Summer Institute: Development of the American Economy, Cambridge  
ASSA/AEA, San Diego

2012 Urban Economics Association, Ottawa  
Canadian Network for Economic History, Banff  
All-UC Group in Economic History Graduate Student Workshop, UC Davis  
UC Irvine (seminar)  
Economic History Association, Vancouver  
Institute for Humane Studies Scholarship and a Free Society Seminar, Towson  
International Society for New Institutional Economics, USC  
Ronald Coase Institute Workshop on Institutional Analysis, Beijing  
All-UC Group in Economic History Conference, UCLA  
Economic and Business Historical Society, Las Vegas

**PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

Memberships: American Economic Association, Cliometric Society, Economic and Business History Society, Economic History Association, Urban Economics Association

Referee: *Economic Inquiry*, *European Review of Economic History*, *Essays in Business and Economic History*, *Explorations in Economic History*, *Journal of Economic History*, *Journal of Urban Economics*, *Journal of the European Economic Association*, *Journal of Regional Science*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Transportation Research Part A: Policy and Practice*