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EDUCATION

The University of Arizona	Tucson, AZ
Ph.D., Economics	May 2022
M.A. in Economics	January 2017

FIELDS OF INTEREST: Environmental & Natural Resource Economics, Economic History, Law & Economics

University of Queensland	Brisbane, Australia
Master of Economic Studies	December 2007

Washington University in St. Louis	St. Louis, MO
B.A. in Environmental Studies with a second degree in Economics	May 2004
Selected Student Intern, <i>Environmental Law Clinic</i> (School of Law)	2004

WORKING PAPERS AND PROJECTS

"Policy to Pollute: Strategic Bargaining and Dissolved Oxygen Depletion in Streams and Rivers in the American West" [*Under Review*]

"American Indian Reservation Boundaries and Land Characteristics: A Spatial Analysis of Reservation Decline in the American West, 1880-1915" [*Working Paper*]

"Discounting Water: Calculating Risk Attitudes Towards Owning Rights to Water in the American West" [*Project*]

PUBLICATIONS AND FORTHCOMING PAPERS

"Recognizing Rights in the Era of Appropriation: Understanding the Institutional Underpinnings and Evolving Legal Framework of U.S. Federal Indian Land Policies", book chapter in the forthcoming *Festschrift in Honor of Joe Kalt and Steve Cornell*, edited by Miriam Jorgensen and Wayne Ducheneaux

"Considerations for Federal and State Landback" (2021): Non-peer reviewed policy brief for the Harvard Project on Indigenous Governance and Development, with Miriam Jorgensen (<https://indigenousgov.hks.harvard.edu/publications/considerations-federal-and-state-landback>)

Duhs, A. and Davidoff, L. (2009). *Capabilities, Rights and Justice in the Context of Australian Aboriginal Welfare Policy*. *Forum for Social Economics*, Volume 39, Issue 1, pp. 23.

Davidoff, L. and Duhs, A. (2009). *Australian Aboriginal Welfare Policy: The Perspectives of Milton Friedman, J.S. Mill and Amartya Sen*. *The International Journal of Interdisciplinary Social Sciences*, Volume 3, Issue 10, pp. 163-170.

Davidoff, L. and Duhs, A. (2008). *Aboriginal Australia: An Economic History of Failed Welfare Policy*. *Archives of Economic History*, Volume XX, Number 1, pp. 5-35.

GRANTS, FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

University of Arizona Udall Center for Studies in Public Policy, Native Nations Institute Doctoral Scholar (\$4,000)	2021-2022
Graduate Assistantship, University of Arizona	2016-2022
National Science Foundation Doctoral Dissertation Research Improvement Grant	2021

(\$25,000, Award Number 2117274)
 University of Arizona Graduate and Professional Student Council Travel Grant (\$700) 2020
 Economic History Association Sokoloff Graduate Dissertation Fellowship (\$15,000) 2019
 Ed Zajac Prize Winner for Best Third-Year Paper: "American Indian Reservation Boundaries and Land Characteristics: A Spatial Analysis of Reservation Decline in the American West, 1880-1915" 2018
 University of Arizona Economics Department Travel Grant (\$300) 2017
 Australian Federation of University Women Queensland Molly Budtz-Olsen 2007
 Commemorative Fellowship (\$20,000 AUD), granted for the completion of my Master's thesis on the impacts of state Indigenous welfare policies.

CONFERENCES AND SEMINARS

2022: Economic History Association (Presenter)
2021: University of Victoria/Canadian Economic Association Indigenous Economics Study Group Seminar Series (invited speaker); Arizona State University Center for Environmental Economics and Sustainability Policy Seminar Series (invited speaker).
2020: NBER Summer Institute Poster Session; Mountain West Economic History Conference (graduate presenter).
2019: Indigenous Capital, Growth and Property Rights (invited participant, Hoover Institution)
2018: University of Arizona International GIS Day (presenter); All-UC Group in Economic History, Graduate Student Workshop (presenter); EHA Annual Meeting (poster); The Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development: The Next Horizon: A Symposium on the Future of Indigenous Nation Building and Festschrift in Honor of Stephen E. Cornell and Joseph P. Kalt, Harvard Kennedy School (May, 2018, invited participant and discussant; November 2018, presenter at second related event at Univ. of AZ)
2017: Arizona Student Energy Conference, Arizona State University, October 2017 (Student Panel Presenter); Berkeley/Sloan Summer School in Energy and Environmental Economics, University of California, Berkeley, August 2017 (Admitted Student Participant); Workshop on Economic Issues Facing Indigenous Peoples, Harvard University, April 2017

RESEARCH/TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Sole Instructor of Record

Ec 11, Introduction to Economics (Caltech) Fall, 2023
 Ec 101, Introduction to Environmental Economics (Caltech) Spring, 2023
 ECON 325, Historical Development of Financial and Economic Institutions (UA) Summer, 2018
 ECON 300, Microeconomics Analysis (UA, *Online Course*) Summer, 2018

Teaching Assistant, University of Arizona

ECON 550, *Economics for Managers* (Executive MBA) Several Semesters, 2019-2021
 ECON 200, *Basic Economic Issues* Fall 2021, Spring 2020
 ECON 300, *Microeconomic Analysis for Business Decisions* Spring 2021, Spring 2020
 ECON 382, *Labor and Public Policy* Fall 2020

Research Assistant

Graduate Research Assistant for Price Fishback, University of Arizona 8/18 – 2022
 Graduate Research Assistant for Cihan Artunç, University of Arizona 8/16 – 5/19

SELECTED WORK EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Researcher, California Institute of Technology 8/22-present
Research Fellow, The Harvard Project on Indigenous Governance and Development 10/16-present

Independent Economic Consultant New York, NY
8/14 – 1/17
Analysis and coaching for variety of firms, including in-house CEO services for a multi-million-dollar retail and manufacturing business (giant teddy bears).

Economic Researcher, Economic Cycle Research Institute New York, NY
8/10 – 7/14
Forecast turning points in U.S. and international economic cycles; wrote in-depth, published reports on macroeconomic dynamics and business cycles for a wide range of strategic uses (see addendum for listing); conducted statistical and mathematical analysis; created graphics and charts to visualize data in publications; edited and fact-checked monthly publications; and managed research projects. Created new methods for looking at cyclical indicators, and routinely provided original research ideas for publication and in-house development.

The University of Queensland Faculty of Economics Brisbane, Australia
Department Tutor, Undergraduate and Graduate Coursework 2/06 – 07/09
Macro and Microeconomics, Econometrics; Cost-Benefit Analysis, Economics for Commerce.

AECgroup Brisbane, Australia
Research Economist 8/06-2/08
Analyzed data; performed statistical modeling and environmental valuation; conducted background research for project analysis; and wrote reports on regional areas, policy, and infrastructure investment. *AECgroup is a private consulting firm in Australia.*

The School for Field Studies: Centre for Rainforest Studies Cairns, Australia
Socio-Economics Intern 9/04 – 8/05
Assisted in environmental field work on climate change and rainforest habitats; wrote and graded student assignments; presented economics lectures (in environmental policy, socio-economics, and introductory microeconomics); and conducted environmental-economics research on vital local industries such as tourism and farming. Introduced an Indigenous studies component to the curriculum.

The US Environmental Protection Agency New York, NY
Federal Facilities Intern 5/02 – 7/02
Conducted research on pollutants in the health care field and created educational brochures for federal facilities and New York residents to aid in pollution prevention and water use reduction.

COMPUTER SKILLS

STATA, QGIS, ArcGIS, R, Microsoft Excel,

ADDITIONAL PROFESSIONAL PUBLICATIONS

Authored content for Economic Cycle Research Institute (ECRI) Publications – For Member-Based Reports

Australian Economic Outlook (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XIX, No. 9). September, 2014

Cyclical Upswing in Inflation (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XIX, No. 6). June, 2014

Gold Faces Downward Cyclical Pressure (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XIX, No. 5). May, 2014

Earnings Growth Upturn Masks Labor Market Weakness (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XIX, No. 4). April, 2014

Cracks in Employment, Earnings, and Spending (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XIX, No. 2). February, 2014

Home Price Volatility Up as Growth Prospects Fade (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVIII, No. 11). November, 2013

Lion's Share of GDP Revisions Still to Come (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVIII, No. 8). August, 2013

Fading Outlook for Corporate and Consumer Spending (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVIII, No. 7). July 2013

Flagging Growth and Inflation Ahead for Mexico (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVIII, No. 4). April 2013

A Familiar Pattern of Profit-Driven Downturns (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVII, No. 12). December, 2012

Cyclical Patterns in Data Revisions (ECRI, *U.S. Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVII, No. 8). August, 2012

Cyclical Crosscurrents in Australia (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVII, No. 4). April, 2012

Australia Facing Recession Risk (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVI, No. 10). October, 2011

Eurozone Recession Danger (ECRI, *International Cyclical Outlook*, Vol. XVI, No. 9). September, 2011

REFERENCES

Jean-Laurent Rosenthal

Rea A. and Lela G. Axline Professor of
Business Economics; Director, Ronald & Maxine
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California Institute of Technology
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Price Fishback (PhD Dissertation Chair)

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Ford Foundation Professor of International
Political Economy, Emeritus
Harvard Kennedy School
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John Drabicki (Teaching Reference)

Vice Chair of Economics
McCoy/Rogers Faculty Fellow
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