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EDUCATION

George Mason University PhD in Economics	Fairfax, VA Expected May 2028
George Mason University MA in Economics	Fairfax, VA May 2024
Bellarmino University BA in Economics & BA in Political Science	Louisville, KY May 2022

RESEARCH

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

“Collective Action in the Sanctuary Movement: Polycentric Protection of Central American Asylum Seekers” (with Nathan Goodman and Karla Segovia). *Constitutional Political Economy*, November 2025.

“Fractured Families: The Unintended Consequences of Immigration Enforcement for Families” (with Nathan Goodman and Karla Segovia). *Conditional Acceptance in Cosmos + Taxis*, March 2026.

Working Papers

“Immigration Restrictions as Non-Comprehensive Planning” (with Nathan Goodman and Karla Segovia).

“Immigration Law Undermines the Rule of Law” (with Nathan Goodman).

“Viral Narratives: Propaganda in the Covid-19 Pandemic” (with Christopher Coyne and Abigail Hall Blanco).

Popular Writing

“The ‘El Mencho’ illusion: Drug lord Whack-a-Mole” (with Abigail R. Hall). *The Orange County Register*, March 30, 2026.

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

Graduate Fellow, F.A. Hayek Program for Advanced Study of Philosophy, Politics, and Economics	August 2024–Present
Graduate Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, George Mason University	August 2024–Present
Graduate Research Assistant, Mercatus Center	Summer 2025, Summer 2024
Young Scholar, Association for Private Enterprise Education	April 2026, April 2024
MA Fellow, Mercatus Center	August 2022–May 2024
W. Fielding Rubel School of Business Faculty Merit Award, Bellarmine University	May 2022
Ryann M. Tewell Award in Economics, Bellarmine University	May 2022

TEACHING

ECON 380: Economies in Transition TA to Rosolino Candela	The Fund for American Studies Summer 2026, Summer 2025
ECON 871: International Monetary Economics TA to Carlos Ramirez	George Mason University Spring 2026
ECON 895: Time Series Econometrics TA to Carlos Ramirez	George Mason University Spring 2026

ECON 715: Macroeconomic Theory I TA to Carlos Ramirez	George Mason University Fall 2025
ECON 309: Economic Problems and Public Policies TA to Michael Clemens	George Mason University Spring 2026, Fall 2025
ECON 103: Contemporary Microeconomic Principles (Online) TA to Alex Tabarrok; TA to Tyler Cowen	George Mason University Spring 2025, Fall 2024
ECON 103: Contemporary Microeconomic Principles TA to Donald Boudreaux	George Mason University Spring 2025, Fall 2024

PRESENTATIONS

“Viral Narratives: Propaganda in the Covid-19 Pandemic,” Association for Private Enterprise Education, Las Vegas, NV	April 2026
“Immigration Restrictions as Non-Comprehensive Planning,” Association for Private Enterprise Education, Las Vegas, NV	April 2026
“Coyotes: Migrant Smuggling and the Dynamics of Interventionism,” Association for Borderland Studies, Albuquerque, NM	March 2026
“Viral Narratives: Propaganda in the Covid-19 Pandemic,” Southern Economic Association, Tampa, FL	November 2025
“Immigration Law Undermines the Rule of Law,” Southern Economic Association, Tampa, FL	November 2025
“Immigration Law Undermines the Rule of Law,” Markets and Society, Fairfax, VA	October 2025
“Under Cartel Control: The Shift in Migrant Smuggling,” Southern Economic Association, Washington, D.C.	November 2024
“Under Cartel Control: The Shift in Migrant Smuggling,” Markets and Society, Fairfax, VA	October 2024
“Unintended Consequences of Coyotes at the Southern Border,” Association for Private Enterprise Education, Las Vegas, NV	April 2024
“Unintended Consequences of Coyotes at the Southern Border,” Markets and Society, Fairfax, VA	October 2023

REFEREEING

Cosmos + Taxis, The Review of Austrian Economics

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Student Network, Initiative for the Study of a Stable Peace	October 2024–Present
“Applied Topics in Policy – Realities of Socialism” Colloquium, Mercatus Center	June 2024
“Applied Topics in Policy – In Search of Monsters to Destroy” Colloquium, Mercatus Center	August 2023
Program Assistant, Scaled Education Team, Stand Together, Arlington, VA	Summer 2024