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Education

Ph.D. Economics, 2008, The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.
B.A. Summa Cum Laude, Economics, 2004, Bethel College, St. Paul, MN.

Academic Positions

Associate Professor of Economics	Hope College	2017 to Present
Fellow	Oxford Centre for Animal Ethics	2014 to Present
Assistant Professor of Economics	Hope College	2014 to 2017
Assistant Professor of Economics	Calvin College	2008 to 2014
Teaching/Research Assistant	University of North Carolina	2004 to 2008
Policy Research Intern	Georgia State University	2003

Publications

Books

- 1) *Should We Redistribute Wealth? A Debate* (with J. Otteson) Routledge (manuscript complete, estimated release: 2022)
- 2) *Digital Life Together: The Challenge of Technology for Christian Schools* (with D. Smith, K. Sevensma, and M. Terpstra) Eerdmans, 2020.
- 3) *Animals and the Economy*. Palgrave Macmillan, 2016.

Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- 1) The Moral Critique of Consumerism in Solzhenitsyn's Economic and Political Thought. With Camryn Zeller, *Journal of Markets and Morality*, Forthcoming.
- 2) Objectivity and Ethics in Economic Methodology: Dialogue with Theologians. *Journal of Interdisciplinary Studies*, 2019. 31.
- 3) Against Inefficacy Objections: The Real Economic Impact of Individual Consumer Choices on Animal Agriculture. With M. Halteman, *Food Ethics*, 2019. 2(2-3).
- 4) Teacher Turnover, Composition and Qualifications in the Year-Round School Setting. With J. Graves and K. Rouse, *B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy*. 2018, 18(3).
- 5) Economics, Privacy, and Christian Ethics. *Christian Business Review*. 2018. 7(Fall).
- 6) Does Current Economic Theory Impose a Materialistic View of Work? with T. Steen, *Journal of Markets and Morality*. 2017, 20(1).
- 7) The Distributional Effects of the Multi-Track Year-Round Calendar: A Quantile Regression Approach. with K. Rouse and J. Haan. *Applied Economics Letters*, 2015. 22(15)

- 8) Is Capitalism to Blame? Animal Lives in the Marketplace. *Journal of Animal Ethics*, 2015. 5(2): 126-134.
- 9) Radical Orthodox Economics. *Christian Scholars Review*, 2014. 43(4).
- 10) Multi-Track Year-Round Schooling as Cost Saving Reform: Not just a Matter of Time. with J. Graves and K. Rouse, *Education Finance and Policy*. 2013. 8(3).
- 11) School Crowding, Year-Round Schooling, and Mobile Classroom Use: Evidence from North Carolina. with K. Rouse, *Economics of Education Review*. 2012. 31(5).
- 12) The Impact of Year-Round Schooling on Achievement: Evidence from Mandatory School Calendar Conversions. with K. Rouse. *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*. 2012. 4(4).
- 13) How Do Students Respond to Labor Market and Education Incentives? An analysis of Homework Time. *Journal of Labor Research*. 2011. 32(3).

Book Chapters

- 1) Competition, Regulation, and the Race to the Bottom in Animal Agriculture. Chapter forthcoming in *Animals and Business Ethics*. N. Thomas (ed.) Palgrave Macmillan.
- 2) Property, Regulation, and Endangered Species Conservation. Chapter in the *Routledge Handbook of Animal Ethics*. R. Fischer (ed.) Routledge. 2019
- 3) Waste and Efficiency in a Consumer Economy. Chapter in *Multifaceted Explorations of Consumer Culture and Its Impact on Individuals and Society*. D. Burns (ed.) IGI Global. 2018.
- 4) An Ethical Consumer Capitalism. Chapter in *The Future of Meat Without Animals*. B. Donaldson & C. Carter (eds.) Rowman & Littlefield. 2016.
- 5) Economics, Environmental Ethics, and Property Law. with D. Molling. Chapter in *Law and Social Economics: Essays in Ethical Values for Theory, Practice, and Policy*. Mark White, (ed.) Palgrave Macmillan. 2015.
Reprinted in *Social Economics*. Dolfsma, W., Figart, D. M., McMaster, R., Mutari, E., & White, M. D. (eds.) Routledge. 2016.
- 6) Vices. Chapter in *The Sage Encyclopedia of Economics and Society*, Fredrick F. Wherry & Juliet Schor, eds. 2015.
- 7) Prior Economic Status. Chapter in *The New Faces of American Poverty: A Reference Guide to the Great Recession*. Timothy Essenburg and Lindsey Hansen, (eds.) ABC-CLIO. 2014.
- 8) Educational Attainment. Chapter in *The New Faces of American Poverty: A Reference Guide to the Great Recession*. Timothy Essenburg and Lindsey Hansen, (eds.) ABC-CLIO. 2014.

Essays, Book Reviews, Magazine Articles, and Reports

- 1) Review of *God's Good Economy*, by Andrew Hartropp. *Faith & Economics*, 77, Spring 2021.
- 2) Review of *Why We're Polarized*, by Ezra Klein. *The Reformed Journal*, April 2021.
- 3) Review of *Why Does Inequality Matter*, by T. M. Scanlon. *Poverty and Public Policy*, September, 2020.

- 4) Review of *Beyond Stewardship: New Approaches to Creation Care*, David Paul Warners and Mathew Kuperus Heun, eds. *Faith & Economics*, 75, Spring 2020.
- 5) Are Children Getting too much Screen Time in School? *Christian Educator's Journal*, December 2019.
- 6) Living Sustainably: Plant-Based Foods offer better health, better environment. *Holland Sentinel*, Sept. 23, 2019.
- 7) Review of *Why Liberalism Failed* by Patrick Deneen. *Faith & Economics*, 73, Spring 2019.
- 8) How Market Economies Can Undermine Moral Norms. In *The Future of Liberalism*. AEI Values and Capitalism, 2019.
- 9) Formation: A symposium on Living as a Christian in Economics. *Faith & Economics*, 71, Spring 2018.
- 10) Wealth and Poverty in America (Dialogue with K. Johnson) Respectful Conversation: Reforming Political Discourse. April 2018.
- 11) Review of *The Politics of Virtue* by John Milbank and Adrian Pabst. with J. Lunn, *Faith & Economics*, 69, Spring 2017.
- 12) How to Find Hope in the Humanless Economy. with K. Brown, *Christianity Today* (cover story). June 21 2017.
- 13) Animals and the Economy. Online interview at Sarx: Christian Animal Welfare. 2016.
- 14) A World Without Work? *Comment Online*, May 5th, 2016.
An earlier version appeared in *A World without Work? Technology, Automation, and the Future of Work*. AEI Values & Capitalism program, 2016.
- 15) Learning from Laudato Si. *Shared Justice*, Center for Public Justice, June 2015.
Republished at *Do Justice*, Office of Social Justice, CRCNA, July 2015.
- 16) Review of *The Oxford Handbook of Christianity and Economics*, Paul Oslington, ed. *Christian Scholars Review*, 2015. 44(2).
- 17) Examining the Place of Ethics in Economics: A Review. *Review of Social Economy*. 2014. 72(1):127-135.
- 18) Can Economists Speak for Farmed Animals? A Review. *Journal of Animal Ethics*. 2013. 3(2).
- 19) Can we be Good Stewards of the Economy and the Environment? *The Banner*. Nov. 2012.
- 20) Humane Eating in an Inhumane Economy. *Perspectives*. May 2012.
- 21) Review of *The Economics of Honor: Biblical Reflections on Money and Property*, by Roelf Haan. *Faith and Economics*, 59. Fall 2011.
- 22) Review of *Ecumenical Babel: Confusing Economic Ideology and the Church's Social Witness*, by Jordan Ballor. *Calvin Theological Journal*. April 2011.
- 23) Giving Incentives to Students. *TCS Daily*. February 12, 2007.
- 24) The Next Proletariat? *TCS Daily*. September 21, 2005.
- 25) The Geography of Poverty in the Atlanta Region. *Atlanta Census 2000*. Andrew Young School of Policy Studies, Atlanta, GA, August 2003

Grants & Awards

- 1) Ruch Faculty Fellowship, 2020 to 2023.
- 2) Grand Challenges Award – Environmental Sustainability (with B. Bodenbender and S. Bouma Prediger), 2018.
- 3) Convergent Scholars Grant, (with A. McCoy), 2016.
- 4) “School Choice Policy and Private School Enrollment” Grant, (co-investigator with K. Den Dulk and M. Pelz), \$20,000, 2015-2016.
- 5) Nyenhuis grant for student research funding, 2015, 2019.
- 6) Warren Samuels Prize for the best paper presented at the 2014 ASSA meetings, awarded by the Association for Social Economics.
- 7) “School Choice and Private School Demand” Grant, (Co-Investigator with K. Den Dulk and M. Pelz), \$20,000, 2014-2015.
- 8) “Educational technology and human flourishing: new technologies in a Christian school.” Grant, (Co-PI with D. Smith, K. Sevensma, and M. Terpstra) \$358,205. 2014-2017.
- 9) Calvin Research Fellowship, 2011-2012, 2012-2013, 2013-2014
- 10) Calvin Center for Christian Scholarship Working Group: *Eating as an Act of Justice*. 2011-2012.
- 11) McGregor Fellowship Supervisor 2009, 2011, 2012, 2014
- 12) Interim Research Leave, January 2011
- 13) Calvin College Alumni Association Research Grant, \$1920, 2010
- 14) Paul Henry Institute Undergraduate Research Award, 2010
- 15) Center for Social Research Small Grant, 2009
- 16) Center for Human Science Fellow, 2005-2008

External Presentations & Seminars

- 1) Markets and Morality Colloquium, Grand Rapids, MI, October 2021
- 2) Denver Seminary, The Gospel Initiative, Issues Forum, April 2021.
- 3) Arizona State University, PPE Seminar, March 2021.
- 4) AEI Faith & Public Life Retreat, Panel Moderator, Online, January 2021.
- 5) ASSA Meetings, ASE Paper Session, Online, January 2021.
- 6) AEI Values & Capitalism Faculty Retreat, Bonita Springs, FL, January 2019.
- 7) Christianity and Liberalism Conference, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI, 2018
- 8) Christian Educator’s Association, South Bend, IN, October 2018
- 9) Kuyers Institute Conference, Grand Rapids, MI, October 2017.
- 10) Mount Vernon Nazarene University, Mount Vernon, OH, September 2017.
- 11) Wake up Weekend, Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI, March 2017.
- 12) Calvin College, Grand Rapids, MI, November 2016.
- 13) Evangelical Theological Society Conference, San Antonio, TX, November 2016.
- 14) Oikonomia Network Meeting, San Antonio, TX, November 2016.
- 15) Christian Educator’s Association, South Bend, IN, October 2016.
- 16) Oxford Center for Animal Ethics, Oxford, UK, July 2016.
- 17) Christ in the City lecture series, Pillar Church, June 2016.
- 18) AEI Values & Capitalism Faculty Retreat, Bonita Springs, FL, January 2016.
- 19) Michigan Political Science Association, Grand Rapids, MI, November 2015.
- 20) CBFA conference, Richmond, VA, November 2015, (presented by S. Geddes & P. Nelson)
- 21) MANS conference, Detroit, MI, November 2015. (presented by M. Terpstra & K. Sevensma)
- 22) Kuyers Institute Conference, Grand Rapids, MI, October 2015.
- 23) Christ in the City lecture series, Pillar Church, July 2015.
- 24) Whitehead International Conference, Claremont, CA, June 2015.
- 25) AEFPP Annual Conference, Washington D.C., Poster. February 2015.

- 26) Hope College Critical Issues Symposium, 2014.
- 27) SSSR Annual Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, October 2014 (presented by K. Den Dulk).
- 28) Wake Up Weekend, Calvin College, 2014.
- 29) Lilly Seminar: “What does it mean to be human in consumer culture?” Xavier Univ., July 2014.
- 30) AEI Seminar: “Markets: Defenses and Critiques” Participant. February 2014.
- 31) AEFPP Annual Conference, San Antonio, TX, March 2014 (presented by K. Rouse & J Graves).
- 32) ASSA Meetings, Philadelphia, PA, January 2014.
- 33) Michigan Academy conference, Holland, MI, March 2013 (presented by D. Molling).
- 34) 2012 Baylor Symposium on Faith and Culture. Waco, TX, October 2012.
- 35) 14th World Congress of Social Economics, Glasgow, Scotland, June 2012.
- 36) Michigan Academy conference, Alma, MI, March 2012 (presented by J. Haan).
- 37) AEFPP Annual Conference, Boston, MA, March 2012.
- 38) AEFPP Annual Conference, Seattle, WA, March 2011.
- 39) Eastern Econ. Assoc. Meetings, New York, NY, February 2011 (presented by K. Rouse).
- 40) University of North Carolina at Greensboro, October 2010 (presented by K. Rouse).
- 41) Michigan Acad. conference, Grand Rapids, MI, March 2010 (presented by D. Busscher).
- 42) AEFA Annual Conference, Richmond, VA, March 2010.
- 43) ASSA conference, Denver, CO, January 2010 (presented by K. Rouse).
- 44) Grand Valley State University, January 2010.
- 45) Clemson Graduate Student Workshop, September 2008.

Teaching

Courses Taught

Introduction to Economics	Public Finance
Principles of Microeconomics	Advanced Topics in Microeconomics
Principles of Macroeconomics	Calculus Applications for Business
Intermediate Microeconomics	Human Resource Economics (Labor Econ)
Developing a Christian Mind: Capitalism	Principles of Economics Honors Seminar
First Year Seminar	Econometrics
Managerial Economics	The History of Economic Thought
Management in the British Economy	Senior Research Project
Senior Seminar (in London May Term)	

Teaching Awards

Vijay Bhagavan Award for the Best Introduction to Economics TA, 2006
 Ralph Byrns Teaching Award, 2006

Major Undergraduate Student Research Projects

C. Zeller, M. Baron, and S. Gruenler, “The Economic Structure of Consumerism.” 2019
 E. Nyhof, “The Benefits Cliff and Labor Supply.” 2017-2018
 J. Cronau and C. McShane, “Theology of Work and Leisure.” 2016
 P. Nelson: “Vouchers, tax credits, and private school enrollment.” 2015
 K. Kish: “School Enrollment and Competition.” 2015
 M. Bloem and C. Vos: “School Choice and Demand for Private Schooling.” 2014
 D. Molling: “Economics, Environmental Ethics, and Property Law” 2012
 J. Haan and M. Molling: “Achievement Disparities and Year-Round Schooling.” 2011-2012
 A. Warren and D. Stahl: “Religious Participation and Violent Crime” 2010, 2011

C. DeYoung: “A Probit Model of the Effect of Assigned Homework on Dropout Choices” 2010
D. Busscher: “Homework and Academic Achievement in Elementary School.” 2010

Service & Administration

Executive Editor, *Faith & Economics*, 2018 to present

Podcast Host/Producer, *Faithful Economy*.

Monthly Contributor, *Christ-Animated Learning*, the *Christian Scholars Review* Blog.

Webmaster, Association of Christian Economists, 2010 to present.

Senior Fellow, Sentient Media. 2020 to present.

Consultant Editor, *Journal of Animal Ethics*, 2014 to present

Associate Editor for Social Sciences, *Christian Scholar’s Review*, 2015 to 2018

Referee for Journals: *Atlantic Economic Journal*, *Calvin Theological Journal*, *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, *Education Finance and Policy*, *Educational Research & Reviews*, *Ethics Policy and Environment*, *Faith & Economics*, *IGI Global*, *International Journal of Christianity and Education*, *International Journal of Educational Development*, *Journal of Animal Ethics*, *Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion*, *Journal of Urban Economics*, *Review of Social Economy*, *Southern Economic Journal*, *Synthese*.

Referee or Endorsement for Publishers: Crossway, Routledge (monograph & book series), and Pearson (textbook).

Hope College Service:

Initium Co-director, 2019-Present.

Haworth Fund Book Group Co-Organizer 2018-Present

Faculty mentor, 2020-2021

Klesis Director, 2017 to 2020.

Retention working group, 2018-2019.

Religious Life Committee, chair, 2015-2016.

Social Science Research Guild, co-organizer, 2015-2017.

Departmental Seminar Organizer 2015-2017.