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EMPLOYMENT

Lecturer (Assistant Professor) , The University of Sydney School of Economics	2022-present
Associate , Harvard University Dept. of Economics and Policy Impacts	2022-present
Postdoctoral Fellow , Harvard University Dept. of Economics and Policy Impacts	2021 - 2022

EDUCATION

University of Michigan , Ann Arbor, MI, USA	
Ph.D. in Economics	2021
Committee: Joel Slemrod (chair), James R. Hines, Jr., Charlie Brown, Toni Whited, Ashley Craig	
Dissertation: <i>Essays in Public Finance and Taxation</i>	
M.A. in Economics	2017
Williams College , Williamstown, MA, USA	
B.A. with Honors in Economics (advisor: Sarah Jacobson), <i>magna cum laude</i>	2011

RESEARCH

Working papers

The Impact of Withdrawal Penalties on Retirement Savings (submitted, with Victoria Bryant)

Does Giving Tax Debtors a Break Improve Compliance and Income? Evidence from Quasi-Random Assignment of IRS Revenue Officers (submitted, with William C. Boning, Joel Slemrod, and Alex Turk)

Untold Secrets of Tax Preparers, Complexity, and Compliance (with Giacomo Brusco, Yeliz Kaçamak, and Mark Payne)

Work in progress

The Heterogeneous Welfare Impacts of Tax Audits (with William C. Boning, Nathaniel Hendren, and Ben Sprung-Keyser)

The Effects of Increasing the Full Retirement Age on Retirement Savings: Evidence from U.S. Tax Data (with Victoria Bryant, Jonathan M. Leganza, and Dhiren Patki)

Oh the Places You'll Go...to Avoid Sales Tax

TEACHING

Instructor , The University of Sydney School of Economics	
ECON 6010 (Public Economics, masters)	S2 2022
Graduate Student Instructor , University of Michigan Department of Economics	
ECON 490 (Advanced Public Economics, undergraduate)	Winter 2020
ECON 695 (Introduction to Economic Research, doctoral)	Fall 2018
ECON 452 (Intermediate Statistics & Econometrics II, undergraduate)	Winter 2018
ECON 503 (Probability & Mathematical Statistics I, masters)	Fall 2017
Teaching Assistant , Williams College Department of Economics	
ECON 251 (Intermediate Microeconomics, undergraduate)	Fall 2010

HONORS, FELLOWSHIPS, AND AWARDS

Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation in Government Finance (finalist)	2021
NBER Pre-doctoral Fellowship in Retirement and Disability Research	2020 - 2021
University of Michigan Economics Department Graduate Research Award	2020
Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant	2020
Wladimir S. and Emma S. Woytinsky Fellowship	2019
William Haber Predoctoral Fellowship	2015
Dr. Herbert Stein '35 Scholarship	2010
Carl Van Duyne Prize	2010
Class of 1960 Scholar in Economics	2010 - 2011
New England Small College Athletic Conference (NESCAC) All-Academic	2010

PRESENTATIONS

2022: ASSA Annual Meeting, The Brattle Group, Reserve Bank of Australia, The University of Sydney, NBER Trans-Atlantic Public Economics Seminar

2021: Compass Lexecon, Intensity LLC, Charles River Associates, Vanguard Enterprise Advice Methodology Team, Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center, Joint Committee on Taxation, Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, U.S. Military Academy at West Point, Tulane University, Federal Trade Commission, U.S. Department of the Treasury Office of Tax Analysis, Federal Reserve Board, U.S. Naval Academy, Bates White, Virginia Tech, Western Economic Association International Virtual International Conference, IRS-Census Income Measurement Workshop, IRS Behavioral Insights Community of Practice, National Tax Association Annual Conference

2020: University of Michigan Public Finance Lunch Seminar, University of Michigan Summer Seminar Series, International Institute of Public Finance Annual Congress, University of Michigan Public Finance Seminar, University of Michigan International and Macro Lunch Seminar, Williams College, National Tax Association Annual Conference

2019: University of Michigan Public Finance Lunch Seminar, National Tax Assoc. Annual Conference

2018: National Tax Association Annual Conference, University of Michigan Summer Seminar Series

MEMBERSHIP AND CLEARANCE

Joint Statistical Research Program (IRS and SOI)	2018
Accepted proposal: "Salience and strategic income acquisition: Lessons in taxpayer behavior from retirement account distributions," with Victoria Bryant	
American Economic Association, member	2020 - Present
International Institute of Public Finance, member	2020 - Present
National Tax Association, member	2017 - Present
U.S. Census Bureau Special Sworn Status	2016 - 2022

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Discussant and/or session chair Australian Workshop on Public Finance (2022), Western Economic Association International Conference (2021), National Tax Association Annual Conference (2020, 2021)

Graduate Economics Society Co-president (2018-19), Co-coordinator, first-year seminar (2016-17)

OTHER RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Assistant, University of Michigan

Joel Slemrod

2018 - 2019

Michael Mueller-Smith

2016 - 2018

Analysis Group, Menlo Park, CA (Economic Consulting)

Senior Analyst

2014 - 2015

Analyst

2012 - 2014

Research Fellow, Stanford Law School

2011 - 2012

Class of 1957 Summer Research Fellow, Williams College (RA for Lucie Schmidt)

2010

PERSONAL

Citizenship: USA

Marital status: Married ([Jonathan Kummerfeld](#), Citizenship: Australia)

Computer Skills

Use regularly: Stata, Python (NumPy, pandas), LaTeX, Microsoft Office

Have experience with: R, Matlab, SAS, SQL