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Education

George Mason University Economics PhD. Candidate Committee: Garrett Jones (Chair), Christopher Coyne, Peter Leeson Dissertation: “Developmental States: An Integrated Analysis”	2017 – Present
George Mason University M.A. Economics	2020
Hofstra University B.A. Political Science & Economics	2017

Fields and Interests

Primary Fields: Austrian Economics, Public Choice

Secondary Fields: Institutions and Development, Economic Sociology

Areas of Interest: Human Capital, History of Economic Thought, Comparative Economic Systems

Courses Taught

Fall 2016: Middle Eastern Government and Politics, Undergraduate Teaching Assistant

Fall 2021: Money and Banking, Graduate Lecturer

Spring 2022: Intermediate Macroeconomics, Graduate Lecturer

Fall 2022: Principles of Macroeconomics, Graduate Lecturer

Fellowships and Awards

2018: Mündliche Prüfung Viva Voce Exam on Economics, Passed with Honors

2019–2022: Ludwig von Mises Institute, Graduate Research Fellowship in Residence
Rothbard Graduate Seminar Scholarship

Papers

“Freedom, Unity, Capitalism: Syria as a Failed Developmental State” – Job Market Paper.

This paper investigates how Bashar al-Assad attempted to transform the Syrian Arab Republic into a liberal economy, modeled on West Germany, China, and Lebanon. His early reforms compromised his ability to appropriately gauge the threats to the security of the Syrian state, by thwarting the reach of the patronage networks on which his Ba’ath Party relied for illicit networks and information gathering.

“Hate Crimes Against The State” – Manuscript in Preparation.

An institutional analysis of the Singaporean racial framework, contrasting its state-centered approach to the individual tort based approach favored by the United States.

“It Beats Jail” – Manuscript in Preparation.

A theoretical application of time preference theory to criminal punishment, with a special focus on countries practicing judicial corporal punishment.

Conferences

2019: Libertarian Scholars Conference. “Society and the State” (Panel Chair)

2021: Philosophy, Politics, and Economics Society Conference. “Author Meets Critics: Hrishikesh Joshi’s *Why It’s OK to Speak Your Mind*”

References

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