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Fields Behavioral and experimental economics; applications in labor economics and public health

Academic positions

Associate Research Scholar	Princeton University, School of Public and International Affairs	2026–
Postdoctoral Researcher	Purdue University, Department of Economics	2023–2026
Researcher; Instructor	University of Wisconsin–La Crosse, Department of Economics	2021–2023
Instructor	Montana State University, Bozeman, Dept. of Ag. Econ. & Econ.	2010–2011

Education

Ph.D., Economics	University of California, Santa Barbara	2022
M.S., Applied Economics	Montana State University, Bozeman	2010
B.A., Philosophy	Montana State University, Bozeman Second major in economics; minor in mathematics; highest honors	2007

Research

"Dynamic investment in teamwork skill: Theory and experimental evidence"
with David Gill and Victoria Prowse. Working paper, 10 June 2026.

"Temptation: Immediacy and certainty." Working paper, 27 September 2025.

"On prior confidence and belief updating" with Kenneth Chan, Gary Charness, and Chetan Dave.
Revise and resubmit, *American Economic Review*, 13 May 2025.

"Vaccination as personal public-good provision"
with Gary Charness and David I. Levine. *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, August 2024.

"Can targeted messages reduce COVID-19 vaccination hesitancy? A randomized trial"
with Gary Charness and David I. Levine. *Preventive Medicine Reports*, October 2022.

"LISA data analysis using genetic algorithms" with Jeff Crowder and Neil J. Cornish. *Physical Review D*, March 2006.

Book chapters

"Non-financial motivation in the workplace"
with Gary Charness and Michael Cooper. *Elgar Encyclopedia of Labour Studies*, September 2023.

"Wage policies, incentive schemes, and motivation" with Gary Charness and Michael Cooper.
Handbook of Labor, Human Resources and Population Economics, December 2020.

Invited and conference presentations

2026 University of Warwick; Chapman University; Union College; Economic Science Association (Charlottesville) **2025** Economic Science Association (Tucson); BRIC 11; Gary Charness Memorial (Tucson) **2022** Economic Science Association (Santa Barbara); Midwest Economics Research Group **2021** Western Economic Association (International) **2020** Economic Science Association (Global) **2019** Economic Science Association (Los Angeles)

Teaching experience

Instructor, University of Wisconsin–La Crosse: Principles of Macroeconomics (5 terms); Honors Seminar (2 terms)

Teaching Assistant, University of California, Santa Barbara

Graduate: Econometrics (2 terms), Corporate Finance (2 terms), Online Education Pedagogy (4 terms)
Undergraduate: Finance (8), Intermediate Micro (7), Intermediate Macro (3), History of Economic Thought (2), Principles of Macro (2), Statistics for Business & Econ (2), Intro to Econ (2), European Economic History (1)

Instructor, Montana State University: Introductory Microeconomics (2 terms)

Laboratory management

Purdue University Vernon Smith Experimental Economics Laboratory 2023–2026

UC Santa Barbara Experimental and Behavioral Economics Laboratory 2020–2021

For both: Developed tools for participant management and deactivation; resolved technical issues with the recruitment system; coordinated session and seminar scheduling; supervised undergraduate research assistants.

Professional service

Founder; Organizer Disabled Student Support Group, University of Wisconsin–La Crosse 2022–2023
Founded and co-organized events with disabled faculty to support disabled students.

Committee Member Official Ad Hoc Committee on Disability, University of California 2020–2021
Contributed to UC-system initiatives for equity and inclusion of disabled students.

Referee *Experimental Economics* (2); *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*; *Southern Economic Journal*; *American Journal of Health Promotion*; *Annals of Behavioral Medicine*; *Pharmacy*

Professional experience

Family and medical leave 2013–2018

Software Engineer RightNow Technologies (acquired by Oracle) 2010–2011
Coordinated and engineered upgrades for large client websites, including USPS and Sony Online Entertainment.

Software Engineer; Proprietor LARZ Consulting 2003–2007
Developed all frontend, backend, and internal business systems for SoftwareAdvice.com—including marketing, SEO, sales, accounting, and management features—supporting massive growth and eventual acquisition by Gartner. Other clients' projects included custom retail websites and school district curriculum management software.

Technical expertise

Stata, R, Python, JavaScript, SQL, PHP, Git, OpenBSD, FreeBSD, Linux, cloud platforms, and supercomputing. **Certifications** CompTIA Secure Infrastructure Specialist. **Vulnerability reports** Fastmail ($500 reward, 2017).