

# Matthew R. Fitzgerald

## CONTACT INFORMATION

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## EDUCATION

2022 (Dec) **Ph.D., Economics**, University of California, Santa Barbara  
Committee: Peter Rupert (Chair), Youssef Benzarti, and Andrew Plantinga  
2017 **M.A., Economics**, University of California, Santa Barbara  
2013 **B.A., Economics**, University of California, Riverside (Summa Cum Laude)

## WORKING PAPERS

The Impact of Unemployment Benefits on Personal Bankruptcy Filings: Evidence from Pandemic Unemployment Benefit Expiration

“The Effect of Affordable Care Act Medicaid Expansions on Household Composition” (*with Molly Schwarz*)

“Two-Way Fixed Effects Regressions with Group by Time Fixed Effects and Implications for Contiguous Border County Pair Designs”

“Does Wage Garnishment Influence Personal Bankruptcy Filings? Evidence from State Garnishment Laws”

“Assessing the Incidence of Property Taxes”

## WORK IN PROGRESS

“Examining the Impact of Unemployment Benefits on Household Doubling Up: An Instrumental Forest Approach”

“Does Unemployment Insurance Prevent Homelessness? Evidence from Great Recession UI Expansions”

“Examining the Impact of the Minimum Wage on Eviction”

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

**Instructor**, Extension Center, UCSB  
Summer 2020 Macroeconomics for International High School Students (online)

**Teaching Assistant, Economics Department, UCSB**

Spring 2022 Economics 101: Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory  
Winter 2022 Economics 101: Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory  
Fall 2021 Economics 2: Principles of Macroeconomics  
Spring 2020 Economics 101: Intermediate Macroeconomic Theory (online)  
Winter 2020 Economics 204B: Macroeconomic Theory (Graduate)  
Fall 2019 PSTAT 109: Statistics for Economics  
Spring 2018 Economics 2: Principles of Macroeconomics  
Winter 2018 Economics 2: Principles of Macroeconomics  
Fall 2017 Economics 9: Introduction to Economics

**RESEARCH POSITIONS**

Summer 2018 Intern at the U.S. Department of Agriculture Economic Research Service (ERS)  
Spring 2018 Research Assistant to Professor Gary Libecap  
2014 - 2016 Research Assistant to Professor Richard Arnott  
2014 - 2015 Senior Research Assistant, Center for Sustainable Suburban Development (CSSD)

**SERVICE**

2022 Mentor in the Graduate Student Mentoring Program  
2019 Coordinator for “Transitioning to Research” Workshop  
2019 Mentor in the Graduate Student Mentoring Program

**AFFILIATIONS AND CERTIFICATES**

2019 - Present Broom Center for Demography Graduate Associate, UCSB  
2019 Open Source Economics Laboratory Boot Camp, University of Chicago

**FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS**

2019 - 2020 Best Graduate Course Teaching Assistant Award (2019-2020)  
2016 - 2021 Chancellor’s Fellowship  
2016 - 2021 Mortimer Andron Fellowship  
2013 Phi Beta Kappa

**RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Housing Economics, Urban Economics, Labor Economics, Econometrics

**COMPUTER SKILLS**

R, Python, Stata, Julia, ArcGIS, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X