

# Jacob Powell, Ph.D.

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## Education

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### **Ph.D. in Economics, University of Missouri-Kansas City: Spring 2022**

Dissertation: Three Essays at the Intersection of Social Theory and Political Economy

Chair: Erik Olsen

### **M.A. in Economics, University of Missouri-Kansas City: Spring 2017**

### **B.A. in Economics and Political Science, Hobart & William Smith Colleges: Spring 2015**

## Professional Appointments

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### **Bucknell University**

Assistant Professor of Economics

Fall 2022-Present

### **Hobart and William Smith Colleges**

Visiting Instructor of Economics

Fall 2019-Spring 2022

### **University of Missouri-Kansas City**

Graduate Instructor/Graduate Teaching Assistant

Fall 2015-Spring 2019

## Teaching and Research Fields

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Political Economy, Institutional Economics, Social Theory, Power and Ideology, Neoliberalism, Mass Incarceration, Methodology, Modern Monetary Theory, Macroeconomics, Labor Economics, and History of Economic Thought

## Teaching Experience

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### **Bucknell University:**

#### **Assistant Professor of Economics**

Deconstruction Power

Theories of the State and the Economy

Economic Principles and Problems

Political Economy of Neoliberalism

### **Hobart & William Smith Colleges:**

#### **Visiting Instructor of Economics**

Intermediate Macroeconomics

Topic in Political Economy: The State and the Economy

Political Economy

Introduction to Radical Political Economy

Economics & Social Theory

Contemporary Issues

**University of Missouri-Kansas City:**

**Instructor**

History of Economic Thought  
Intermediate Microeconomics

**Graduate Assistant:**

Advanced Microeconomic Theory (graduate-level)  
Created and Delivered, weekly, supplemental lectures

**Teaching Assistant:**

Advanced Microeconomic Theory (graduate-level)  
Intermediate Microeconomics  
Introduction to Macroeconomics  
Introduction to Microeconomics

**Hobart & William Smith Colleges:**

**Teaching Assistant as an Undergraduate:**

Lead Teaching Fellow  
Economic Statistics  
Principles of Economics  
Teaching Fellow for the Economics Department  
First Year Economics Seminar

**Research Experience**

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**Research Fellow:**

Global Institute for Sustainable Prosperity 2017-Present

**Research Assistant:**

Global Institute for Sustainable Prosperity 2016-2017

**Publications**

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(Forthcoming) The Instrumentality of Ceremonial Habits of Thought. *Journal of Economic Issues*.

(Forthcoming) Progressive Path-Dependency? *Journal of Economic Issues*.

(2021) The Non-Evolutionary and Non-Benign Character of Stylized Facts. *Journal of Economic Issues*, 55(2): 349-358.

**Works in Progress**

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“Habits of Thought and MMT’s Efficacy”, with William Waller Jr.

“Inflation and the Phillips Curve: A Trojan Horse in the War on Labor”

“Revolution: Axiological or Ontological Commitment in Original Institutionalism”

“Revisiting Theories of Wage Determination in the Neoliberal Period”

“An Unemployment Measure that Doesn’t Blame the Unemployed”, with Kyle Mohr, Jordan Ayala, and Scott Fullwiler

### **Academic Presentations**

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#### **Western Social Science Association – Association for Institutional Theory**

April 2023. Tempe, Arizona

“Habits of Thought and MMT’s Efficacy” with William T. Waller, Jr.

#### **Western Social Science Association – Association for Institutional Theory**

April 2023. Tempe, Arizona

“Roundtable: The Long Tail of the Pandemic, and its Effect on Teaching and Learning Economics”

#### **Eastern Economic Association – Union for Radical Political Economics**

February 2023. New York, NY

“Reflexivity: A Method for Teaching Heterodox Thought”

#### **Eastern Economic Association – Union for Radical Political Economics**

February 2023. New York, NY

“Revisiting Theories of Wage Determination in the Neoliberal Era”

#### **American Economic Association – Association for Evolutionary Economics**

January 2023. New Orleans, Louisiana

“The Instrumentality of Ceremonial Habits of Thought”

#### **American Economic Association – Association for Evolutionary Economics**

January 2022. Virtual Conference

“Progressive Path-Dependency?”

#### **International Conference of Associations for Pluralism in Economics**

January 2022. Boston, Massachusetts (Virtual Conference)

“Reflexivity: A Method for Teaching Heterodox Thought”

#### **American Economic Association – Association for Evolutionary Economics**

January 2022. Boston, Massachusetts (Virtual Conference)

“Progressive Path Dependency?”

**American Economic Association – Association for Evolutionary Economics**

January 2021. Chicago, Illinois (Virtual Conference)

“The Non-Evolutionary and Non-Benign Character of Stylized Facts”

**Western Social Science Association – Association for Institutional Theory**

April 2020. Portland Oregon (Canceled Due to Covid-19)

“Habits of Thought and MMT’s Efficacy” with William T. Waller, Jr.

**Eastern Economic Association – Union for Radical Political Economics**

March 2019. New York, NY

“Alternative Measures of Labor Underutilization and the Phillips Curve”

**American Economic Association – Union for Radical Political Economics**

January 2019. Atlanta, GA

“Alternative Work Arrangements as Labor Discipline?” with Erik Olsen

**Union for Radical Political Economics 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Conference**

September 2018. Amherst, MA

“Revisiting Theories of Wage Determination in the Neoliberal Period”

**Western State Graduate Student Workshop in Economics**

October 2017. Fort Collins, CO

“An Unemployment Measure that Doesn’t Blame the Unemployed” with Kyle Mohr, Jordan Ayala, and Scott Fullwiler

**1<sup>st</sup> International Conference of Modern Monetary Theory**

September 2017. Kansas City, MO

“An Unemployment Measure that Doesn’t Blame the Unemployed” with Kyle Mohr, Jordan Ayala, and Scott Fullwiler

**Departmental/University Service**

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**Bucknell University**

Economics Department Hiring Committee 2022-2023

**Hobart and William Smith Colleges:**

Academic Advisor 2020-2022

Honors Advisor 2020-2021

Faculty Athletic Fellow: Hobart Football 2019-2022

**University of Missouri-Kansas City:**

PhD Student Representative to Faculty 2015-2018

UMKC Economics Club, Vice President 2017-2018

Organizer, 1<sup>st</sup> International Conference of Modern Monetary Theory 2017

Editor, Graduate Student Journal, *Oeconomicus*, Volume XV 2015

**Professional Service**

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**Referee/Reviewer:**

Journal of Law and Political Economy	2022-Present
Review of Radical Political Economics	2021-Present
Journal of Economic Issues	2020-Present

**Statistical Programming**

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**Professional Memberships**

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Union for Radical Political Economics	2014-Present
Association for Evolutionary Economics	2019-Present
Association for Institutional Thought	2019-Present
Association for Social Economics	2019-Present
American Economic Association	2019-Present

**References**

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