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## Education

Ph.D., Economics, George Mason University, Expected Defense Spring 2019  
Dissertation: *Rationality on the Fringes*  
Fields: Political Economy and Applied Microeconomics  
M.A., Economics, George Mason University, 2015  
B.A., Economics, University of Virginia, 2012

## Journal Articles

[Norgaard, J. R., Walbert, H. J., & Hardy, R. A. \(2018\). "Shadow markets and hierarchies: comparing and modeling networks in the Dark Net." \*Journal of Institutional Economics\*, 1-23.](#)

[Hardy, R. A., & Norgaard, J. R. \(2015\). "Reputation in the Internet black market: an empirical and theoretical analysis of the Deep Web." \*Journal of Institutional Economics\*, 1-25.](#)

## Research Papers

"Hobo Economicus" with Peter Leeson  
"American Panhandlers" with Peter Leeson

## Research Interests

New Institutional Economics, Public Choice, using the tools of game theory, market process economics, and industrial organization

## Grants and Fellowships

2018-19 Mercatus PhD Fellowship  
2017-18 Mercatus PhD Fellowship  
2017-18 IHS Humane Studies Fellowship

## Conference Activity/Participation

2015 Presenter, 85<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings  
"The Homeless as Rational Actors"  
2014 Presenter, 84<sup>th</sup> Annual Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings  
"An Evaluation of the Robustness of Spontaneous Order: An Analysis of the Deep Web"

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Last updated: September 6, 2018

## Teaching Experience

Instructor:

Summer 2018	Money and Banking, GMU
Spring 2017	Intermediate Microeconomics, GMU
Fall 2016	Intermediate Microeconomics, GMU
Summer 2016	Contemporary Microeconomic Principles, GMU
Spring 2016	International Economic Policy, GMU
Fall 2015	International Economic Policy, GMU
Summer 2015	Public Choice, GMU

## Research Experience

Fall 2017-Present	Research Assistant to Peter Leeson
Fall 2014-2017	Research Assistant to David Levy

## Professional Memberships

Member, American Economic Association

## Service to the Profession

Reviewer for *Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy*

## References

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