

# Jacob Wright

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## Education

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<b>University of Minnesota</b> <i>Ph.D. Economics</i>	(Expected) 2026
<b>University of Western Ontario</b> <i>M.A. Economics</i>	2020
<b>McMaster University</b> <i>B.A. Economics</i>	2019

## Research Fields

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*Primary:* macro labor, education economics, spatial economics.

*Secondary:* international macro.

## Working Papers

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- “Quality, Inequality, and Mobility: American vs. Canadian Systems of Higher Education”, 2023, *(submitted)*
- “On the Changing Relationship between Public Net Foreign Assets and Growth”, 2023, (with J. Gamboa Arbelaez). *(submitted)*
- “From Preschool to College: The Impact of Education Policies over the Lifecycle”, 2024, (with A. Zheng).
- “Declining Teen Employment: Causes and Consequences”, 2024, (with A. Wurdinger).

## Work in Progress

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- “The Relationship Between Spreads, Debt, and Growth”, 2023, (with J. Gamboa Arbelaez).
- “Risk Management with Correlated Returns and Sectoral Portfolios”, 2023, (with M. Boutros).
- “International Students and College Quality”, 2023.

## Research Experience

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<b>Research Assistant</b> <i>Department of Economics – University of Minnesota</i>	2023
<b>Ph.D. Intern</b> <i>Bank of Canada</i>	2023
<b>Research Assistant</b> <i>Department of Economics – McMaster University</i>	2019-2020
<b>Research Analyst</b> <i>OECD</i>	2018-2019

### *Teaching Experience*

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<b>Instructor</b> <i>University of Minnesota</i>	2022-Present <i>ECON 1102 (Average Rating: 5.5/6)</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant</b> <i>University of Minnesota</i>	2020-2022 <i>ECON 1101 (Average Rating: 5.5/6)</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant</b> <i>University of Western Ontario</i>	2019-2020 <i>ECON 1021 (Average Rating: 4.5/5)</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant</b> <i>McMaster University</i>	2017-2018 <i>ECON 1BB3 (Average Rating: 9/10)</i>

### *Presentations*

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- 2024: Minnesota-Wisconsin International Macroeconomics, Southern Ontario Macro Economists, Canadian Economic Association, McMaster University, Midwest Macro Meetings, University of Southern California, Urban Economics Association, Laval University, Midwest Econometrics Meetings, Society for Economic Dynamics, Econometric Society European Meeting.
- 2023: McMaster University, Bank of Canada, Midwest Macro Meetings.

### *Awards & Honors*

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<b>3rd-Year Paper Competition – 2nd Place</b> <i>University of Minnesota</i>	2023
<b>Thank a Teacher Award</b> <i>Center for Educational Innovation, University of Minnesota</i>	2022
<b>Distinguished Teaching Assistant</b> <i>Department of Economics, University of Minnesota</i>	2021, 2022
<b>Christopher Sims Fellowship</b> <i>University of Minnesota</i>	2020
<b>Ontario Graduate Scholarship</b> <i>University of Western Ontario</i>	2019

### *Other*

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**Languages:** English (Native), French (Advanced), Spanish (Beginner).  
**Computation:** Julia, Stata, C, Matlab, VBA.

### *References*

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**Todd Schoellman**  
Senior Research Economist  
Minneapolis Federal Reserve  
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