

Austin S. Hooe

Education

Bachelor of Science, Economics, 2018

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA

GPA: 3.91, *Summa Cum Laude*

Affiliations: Phi Beta Kappa Honor Society

Key Courses: Game theory, public policy, public choice, econometrics, computational methods for economists, development economics, intermediate microeconomics, intermediate macroeconomics, money and banking, statistics, multivariate calculus, linear algebra, computer statistical packages

Skills: Writing (literature reviews, whitepapers, editorials, long-form articles), programming (Python, STATA, R, SAS), visualizing data via Tableau, synthesizing research from peer-reviewed journals, interpreting statistical results.

Languages: English (fluent), German (limited working proficiency), Mandarin (limited working proficiency).

Experience

Writer and Editor

Freelance

May 2013 – Present

- From August 2018 to Present: Researched economics, legal, history, philosophy, and social science literature to write over 120 newsletters.
- Researched and wrote over 1,300 articles on topics ranging from programming languages and software to market structures and monetary policy.
- In November 2018: Wrote a series of technical articles and conversational blog posts about the Lisp programming language and DevOps strategies for the German software developer DeployBot.
- In December 2018: Wrote a white paper about digital transformation and automation for Cobalt Robotics, a technology firm featured on CNBC, Wired, and Recode.

Economics & Technology Research Consultant

Freelance

Clients: Cobalt Robotics, DeployBot, Pitaron Ltd., New Jobs for Massachusetts

January 2017 – Present

- Responsible for providing research and data support for individual clients and firms.
- In September 2018: Evaluated articles from the journal *Econometrica* to find a dynamic wage model that supported the research goals of New Jobs for Massachusetts, an interest group focusing on policies that may attract employers to the state.

- In October 2018: Located and evaluated numerous reports and technical documents from the energy sector to help Swell Investing's research team understand the current state of cleantech across the globe.

Joseph Schumpeter Fellow

Mercatus Center

August 2017 – May 2018

- Studied topics about regulatory economics and emerging technologies under the guidance of Mercatus scholars.

Awards

Upwork Top-Rated Talent, 2018 & 2019

- Demonstrated exceptional writing and research skills by receiving top ratings from all of my clients on the Upwork freelance platform.
- Upwork awards the title of 'Top-Rated' based on client satisfaction and measures of job success (i.e., if deadlines are met, instructions are followed, and responses to client inquiries are quick and professional).

Howard Bloch Award, 2017

- Earned recognition from George Mason University for high academic performance.

James Buchanan Award, 2017

- Earned the top prize from the F.A. Hayek Program for the Advanced Study in Philosophy, Politics, and Economics by writing *[Changing How We Pick Justices Is the Best Defense Against Partisanship](#)*, an editorial about changing the Supreme Court justice appointment process to mitigate rational partisanship.
- Demonstrated exceptional critical thinking, creativity, and writing skills.

Public Anthropology Award, 2014

- Earned recognition for writing an essay about using a case-by-case basis of governance for archaeological dig-sites rather than passing sweeping regulations that can hinder the social science.

Eagle Scout, 2009

- Demonstrated early leadership and organization skills by coordinating a large-scale trail construction project and leading a group of 30+ people.
- Life-member of the National Eagle Scout Association.