

## WYATT J. BROOKS

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### Employment

2020-present Arizona State University  
Associate Professor of Economics (2020-present) with tenure (2024-present)

2012-2020 University of Notre Dame  
Assistant Professor of Economics (2012-2020), granted tenure in May 2020  
Concurrent Faculty in the Keough School of Global Affairs (2016-2020)  
Joe and Deborah Loughrey Collegiate Chair in Economics and Human Development (2018-2020)

### Affiliations

2019-present Affiliate, Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL)

2018-present Affiliate, Yale Research Initiative on Innovation and Scale (Y-RISE)

### Education

Degree	Field	Institution	Year
Ph.D.	Economics	University of Minnesota	2012
M.A.	Economics	University of Minnesota	2011
B.S.	Economics <i>cum laude</i>	University of Washington	2007
B.S.	Mathematics <i>cum laude</i>	University of Washington	2007

### Peer-Reviewed Publications in Economics

“Mentors or Teachers? Microenterprise Training in Kenya” (with Kevin Donovan and Terence Johnson), *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 2018, 10(4), 196-221.

“Capital Accumulation and the Welfare Gains from Trade” (with Pau Pujolas-Fons), *Economic Theory*, 2018, 66(2), 491-523.

“Gains from Trade with Variable Trade Elasticities” (with Pau Pujolas-Fons), *International Economic Review*, 2019, 60(4), 1619-1646.

“Credit Market Frictions and Trade Liberalization” (with Alessandro Dovis), *Journal of Monetary Economics*, 2020, 111, 32-47.

“Eliminating Uncertainty in Market Access: The Impact of New Bridges in Rural Nicaragua” (with Kevin Donovan), *Econometrica*, 2020, 88(5), 1965-97.

“Growth Policy, Agglomeration and (the Lack of) Competition” (with Joseph Kaboski and Yao Amber Li), *American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics*, 2021, 13(4), 483-519.

“Exploitation of Labor? Classical Monopsony Power and Labor’s Share” (with Joseph Kaboski, Yao Amber Li and Wei Qian), *Journal of Development Economics*, 2021, 150, 102627.

“Infrastructure Investment and Labor Monopsony Power” (with Joseph Kaboski, Illenin Kondo, Yao Amber Li and Wei Qian), *IMF Economic Review*, 2021, 69, 470-504.

“Big Fish in Thin Markets: Competing with the Middlemen to Increase Market Access in the Amazon” (with Viva Bartkus, Joseph Kaboski and Carolyn Pelnik), *Journal of Development Economics*, 2022, 155, 102757.

“Cash Transfers as a Response to COVID-19: Experimental Evidence from Kenya” (with Kevin Donovan, Terence Johnson and Jackline Oluoch-Aridi), *Journal of Development Economics*, 2022, 158, 102929.

### Peer-Reviewed Publications in Other Fields

“Engineering Environmental Resilience: A Matched Cohort Study of the Community Benefits of Trailbridges in Rural Rwanda,” (with Evan Thomas, Abigail Bradshaw, Lambert Mugabo, Laura

MacDonald, Katherine Dickinson and Kevin Donovan), *Science of the Total Environment*, 2021, 771, 1 June 2021, 145275.

“Mixed methods study design, pre-analysis plan, process evaluation and baseline results of trailbridges in rural Rwanda,” (with Denis Macharia, Laura MacDonald, Lambert Mugabo, Kevin Donovan, Sorenie Gudissa, Abbie Noriega, Christina Barstow, Katie Dickinson, and Evan Thomas) *Science of the Total Environment*, 2022, 838, 10 September 2022, 156546.

### **Other Publications**

“Is there a Cost-Effective Means of Microenterprise Training?” (with Kevin Donovan and Terence Johnson), *World Bank Economic Review*, 2020, 24 (supplement), S63-S67.

### **Working Papers**

“From Micro to Macro in an Equilibrium Diffusion Model” (with Kevin Donovan and Terence Johnson), conditionally accepted at *Review of Economics and Statistics*.

“Community Lending with External Capital: Evidence from a randomized evaluation in Uganda” (with D. Guzman, A. Byaruhanga, J. Kaboski, M. Nakitende, J. Nambuubi, J. Oluoch-Aridi and F. Ssekijjo), submitted.

“Shocking Schools” (with Viva Viva Bartkus, Joseph Kaboski, Carolyn Pelnik and Maurice Sikenyi), preparing for submission.

“Industrial Policy with Development Characteristics: Fertilizer Policy in Rwanda” (with Kevin Donovan), preparing for submission.

“Bridge Building: First-Mile Transportation Infrastructure Yields Disproportionate Gains for Isolated Communities in Rwanda” (with Evan Thomas, Kevin Donovan, Denis Macharia, Lambert Mugabo and Laura MacDonald), preparing for submission.

“Infrastructure and Local Development: Experimental Evidence from Rwanda” (with Kevin Donovan and Evan Thomas), preparing for submission.

“The Aggregate Effects of Firm-Level Trade Distortions” (with Jing Wang), revising for submission.

“Capitalizing Village Economies” (with Danice Brown and Joseph Kaboski), preparing for submission.

### **Ongoing Fieldwork**

“Market Networks and Market Access in Rural Rwanda” (with Kevin Donovan and Evan Thomas)

“Building Markets in Remote Areas: Evidence from Formerly FARC-Controlled Areas of Colombia” (with Viva Bartkus, Joseph Kaboski, and Carolyn Pelnik)

### **External Grants (PI or co-PI)**

*Rwanda Bridges Project*: Wellspring Foundation (2020-2024, \$1,534,000), ATAI (2021-2024, \$417,060), USAID-DIV (2020-2024, \$600,000), Wellspring Foundation (pilot phase, 2018-2020, \$220,759), J-PAL Climate Program (2023-2024, \$399,973)

*Entrepreneurship in Kenya*: J-PAL (2020-2021, \$50,000), J-PAL, GEA (2021, \$17,490), DFID-PEDL (2019-2021, \$44,307)

### **Honors and Awards**

2014 - 2015 Department of Economics Teaching Award, University of Notre Dame

2011 - 2012 Doctoral Dissertation Fellowship, University of Minnesota.

2011 Workshop Prize, XVI Workshop on Dynamic Macroeconomics.

2010 First Prize, 2010 Third Year Paper Competition, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota. (Awarded joint with Alessandro Dovis).

2008 - 2009 *Distinguished Teaching Assistant*, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota.

2007 - 2008 Gross Fellowship, Department of Economics, University of Minnesota.

2007 *Phi Beta Kappa*, University of Washington.

2006 - 2007 Alberta Corkery Scholarship, University of Washington.

2005 - 2006 George and Pearl Corkery Memorial Scholarship, University of Washington.

## **Graduate Student Advising**

### *Ongoing:*

Chair: Anna French, Sertan Ozsoy, Ritabrata Bose, Angel Garcia-Lascurain, Miguel Chalup-Calmotti

### *Graduated (first placement):*

Arizona State University (chair or co-chair): Long Qian (Edinburgh, co-chair)

University of Notre Dame (Committee Member): Eva Van Leemput (Board of Governors), Jing Wang (Hong Kong Monetary Authority), Will Lu (Central Bank of Chile)

## **Referee Experience**

*American Economic Review, Journal of Political Economy, Review of Economic Studies, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Monetary Economics, International Economic Review, Economic Journal, Journal of the European Economic Association, AEJ: Applied, AEJ: Macro, AEJ: Micro, Review of Economics and Statistics, Economic Theory, Canadian Journal of Economics, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Journal of Money, Credit and Banking, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Development Studies, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, Economic Development and Cultural Change, Economic Letters, Socio-Economic Review, Journal of International Trade & Economic Development*

## **Conferences and Workshops Organized**

*Economic Growth Conference in Memory and Honor of Berthold Herrendorf: 2022*, co-organized with Domenico Ferraro and Akos Valentinyi.

*Productivity, Aggregate Efficiency and Labor: Latest Advances: 2013—2020* co-organized annually from 2013—2020 with Pau Pujolas, Cesar Sosa-Padilla and Joseph Kaboski.

*Andronico Luksic Conference on Economic Analysis: 2014*, co-organized with Loris Rubini.

## **Teaching Experience**

### *Arizona State University*

Topics in Aggregate Analysis (PhD), Perspectives on the Global Economy (MBA), Global Business Environment (MBA), The Chinese Economy (undergrad), Empirical Macroeconomics (undergrad), Macroeconomics I & II (MS)

### *University of Notre Dame*

University Seminar on Chinese Economy (undergrad), Principles of Macroeconomics (undergrad), Advanced Macroeconomics (Ph.D. level), Macro Research Seminar (Ph.D. level)

### *University of Minnesota*

Senior Project Seminar (undergrad), Principles of Econometrics (undergrad), TA for Principles of Microeconomics (undergrad)