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Education

Boston University, Boston, MA — Economics PhD, expected Summer 2029

Colby College, Waterville, ME — **Bachelor of Arts, May 2021**
Majors: Economics and History (with honors) *Minor:* Mathematics

- Dean's List recipient — **Fall 2017 - Spring 2021**

University of Oxford, Oxford, UK — **Visiting Student, Fall 2019 - Summer 2020**
St. Catherine's College, History, Economics, and Maths

Wilmington High School, Wilmington, MA — **Diploma, June 2017**
Class Salutatorian

Working Papers

Dunn, Jason and James Siodla. "Ghost Towns and Big Cities: Historical Mining Districts and Economic Activity in the American West." [*R&R at JEH*] March 2024.
https://jasondunn100.github.io/assets/mining.pdf

Dunn, Jason and Fernando Leibovici. "Navigating the Waves of Global Shipping: Drivers and Aggregate Implications." [*R&R at AER*] *Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis Working Paper* 2023-002.
https://jasondunn100.github.io/assets/shipping.pdf

Dunn, Jason. "Depressed in School: The Great Depression, Educational Attainment, and Productivity Growth." October 2026.
https://jasontdunn.com/assets/depressed.pdf

Conferences and Workshops

- 2026 Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Houston (Presenter, tentative)
- 2024 NBER International Trade and Investment Conference, Cambridge (coauthor)
- 2022 Social Science History Association Conference, Chicago (Presenter)
- 2022 ICPSR Workshop on Spatial Econometrics: Empirical Analysis of Geospatial Association and Cross-Unit Interdependence (virtual)
- 2022 Western Economic Association International Conference, Portland (coauthor)
- 2021 Urban Economics Association Conference (virtual, coauthor)

Research Experience

Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, St. Louis, MO, USA — **Summer 2021 – Summer 2024**
Senior Research Associate

- Collaborated with three Bank Economists on bank policy work and academic reviewed research
- Created computer programming utilizing data sets to perform econometric analysis
- Contributed to regional economic reports through the maintenance of the Beige Book

Colby College, Waterville, ME, USA **Spring 2019 - Spring 2021**
Independent Research

- Coauthor with Professor James Siodla
- Honors Thesis on Economic Development in the 19th Century US West (Faculty Prize Winner)
- Seminar paper on the contribution of College Education by Field of Study in accounting for cross-country variation of wealth

Teaching Experience

Boston University, Boston, MA, USA
Introduction to Macroeconomics Teaching Assistant **Fall 2025 - Present**

- Develop curriculum for three weekly discussion sections
- Teach core macroeconomics concepts and practice problems in each section
- Hold weekly office hours to answer individualized student questions

Colby College, Waterville, ME, USA
Microeconomic and Macroeconomic Theory Teaching Assistant **Fall 2020 – Spring 2021**

- Corrected problem sets for four microeconomic and macroeconomic theory courses
- Demonstrated practice problems and answered student questions at help sessions twice a week

Calculus Teaching Assistant **Fall 2018 - Spring 2019**

- Corrected problem sets for eight single variable calculus courses over two semesters
- Held weekly help sessions to provide students with assistance on homework

Other Works

Dunn, Jason. "Gold Mining Districts and Path Dependence." *Honors Theses* Paper 1292, 2021. https://digitalcommons.colby.edu/honorstheses/1292

Dunn, Jason and Fernando Leibovici. "Shipping Disruptions in the Red Sea: Local Shock, Global Impact." *VOXEU CEPR Column*, 2024. https://cepr.org/voxeu/columns/shipping-disruptions-red-sea-local-shock-globalimpact

Dunn, Jason and Fernando Leibovici. "Decoupling Where it Matters? US Imports from China in Critical Sectors." *Economic Synopses*, No. 1, 2024. https://doi.org/10.20955/es.2024.1

Dunn, Jason and Fernando Leibovici. "International Trade Dependence and Inventory Dynamics." *Economic Synopses*, No. 17, 2023. https://doi.org/10.20955/es.2023.17

Dunn, Jason and Fernando Leibovici. "US Barriers to International Trade of Goods: Tariffs and Non-Tariff Measures." *Economic Synopses*, No. 9, 2023. https://doi.org/10.20955/es.2023.9

Dunn, Jason and Fernando Leibovici. "The Increased Tradability of Natural Gas." *Economic Synopses*, No. 32, 2022. https://doi.org/10.20955/es.2022.32

Dunn, Jason and Fernando Leibovici. "U.S. Trade of Semiconductors: Cross-Country Patterns and Historical Dynamics." *Economic Synopses*, No. 31, 2022. https://doi.org/10.20955/es.2022.31

Dunn, Jason and Christopher J. Neely. "A Shutoff of Russian Natural Gas." *Economic Synopses*, No. 29, 2022. https://doi.org/10.20955/es.2022.29

Dunn, Jason and David Wheelock. "National Banking Acts of 1863 and 1864." *Federal Reserve History Essays*, 2022. https://www.federalreservehistory.org/essays/national-banking-acts

Dunn, Jason and Fernando Leibovici. "Supply Chain Bottlenecks and Inflation: The Role of Semiconductors." *Economic Synopses*, No. 28, 2021. https://doi.org/10.20955/es.2021.28

Research Skills

- Programming Languages: Stata, Matlab, GIS, LaTeX, Python, Julia, Dynare, R, SQL
- Datasets: Full count census, IPUMS NHGIS, CPS, ACS, IMF WEO, UN Comtrade, US Trade Census, QCEW, BEA InputOutput Tables, TRAINS, HSUS

Honors, Skills, & Interests

- Magna Cum Laude, Colby College
- Phi Beta Kappa Scholar, Colby College
- Honors in Economics, Colby College
- Honors in History, Colby College
- 2021 Christian A. Johnson Award, Colby Economics Department, Colby College
    - To Teaching Assistants who have made significant contributions in support of department faculty teaching
- 2021 Faculty Prize: High Scholarly Attainment in Economics, Colby College
    - Awarded for highest scholarly attainment in Economics
- Eagle Scout (Troop 126, Wilmington MA)
- Photography, Yoga, and NYT Crosswords