

# ETHAN HARTLEY

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## Education

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University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, Ph.D. Economics 2021 - 2027 (Expected)  
University of Hawai'i at Mānoa, M.A. Economics 2023  
Utah State University, B.S. Economics and Finance 2021

## Fields

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Primary: Energy Economics, Environmental and Resource Economics

Secondary: Econometrics, Causal Inference, and Machine Learning

## Research Experience

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Research Fellow: U.S. Department of Energy (IBUILD) 2024  
Research Assistant for Dr. Michael Roberts, University of Hawai'i 2023  
Research Assistant for Dr. Nori Tarui, University of Hawai'i 2022  
Research Fellow: Hawai'i State Energy Office 2023 - 2024  
Research Fellow: Hawai'i Data Science Institute 2022 - 2023  
Research Assistant for Dr. Arthur Caplan, Utah State University 2020 - 2021  
Research Assistant for Dr. Tyler Brough, Utah State University 2020 - 2021

## Industry Experience

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Economics Intern (Causal Machine Learning), Amazon Summer 2024  
Vice President, Utah State University Data Science Club 2020 - 2021  
Cost Engineering Intern, Ames Construction 2020 - 2021  
Impact Evaluation and Data Analysis Consultant, USU Student Nutrition Access Center 2019 - 2020

## Teaching Experience

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Instructor for Introduction to Statistics *Summer 2024* TA for Corporate Finance Spring 2020  
TA for Principles of Microeconomics *Fall 2021* TA for Financial Markets and Institutions Spring 2021  
TA for Principles of Macroeconomics *Fall 2021* TA for Introduction to Statistics 2019 - 2020

## Publications

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Hartley, Ethan, and Arthur J. Caplan. "Measuring the Social Net Benefits of COVID-19 Restrictions: The Case of Reduced Vehicle Use in a Pollution-Prone Region of Utah." *Journal of Environmental Protection* 12.11 (2021): 887-902. doi: [10.4236/jep.2021.1211052](https://doi.org/10.4236/jep.2021.1211052).

## Presentations

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**WEAI 99th Annual Conference** July 2024  
- Rethinking Economic Policy Uncertainty: An AI-Based Approach. (Presenter, Session Organizer)

**ASSA 2025** January 2025  
- Navigating the Future: The Interplay of AI and International Economics. (Panelist)  
- Variable Pricing Accelerates Decarbonization of the Electricity Sector: Implications from a High-Resolution Model of the Continental United States. (Presenter)

## Awards, Scholarships, and Grants

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Bernie Campbell Merit-Based Fellowship 2024  
Seiji Naya Outstanding First-Year Graduate Student Award 2022  
Highest Commendation on Theory Qualifying Exams 2022  
Caliendo-Lewis Research Scholarship 2020 - 2021  
Hansen Differential Tuition Scholarship 2020

## Skills

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Python (Advanced)  
R (Intermediate)  
Big Data (Advanced)

Causal Analysis (Advanced)  
SQL (Intermediate)  
LaTeX (Advanced)

Deep Learning  
High Performance Computing  
Pytorch and Tensorflow

## Working Papers and Projects

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Cancer and Chronic Effects of Air Pollution

Narratives to Numbers: Machine Learning Applications for Harnessing Text as Data

Time-of-Use Electricity Pricing: Implications of Hawai'i's Pilot Program

A Proposal for Real-Time Pricing Tariffs for Large Electricity Customers

Distributional Impacts of Dynamic Pricing Transitions for Residential Electricity Consumers

Variable Pricing Accelerates Decarbonization of the Electricity Sector: Implications from a High-Resolution Model of the Continental United States

Distributional Consequences of the Inflation Reduction Act: Evaluating Long-Run Outcomes for Energy Communities