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EMPLOYMENT

2025- Professor, Economics, Simon Fraser University

2019-2025 Associate Professor, Economics, Simon Fraser University

2013-2019 Assistant Professor, Economics, Simon Fraser University

EDUCATION

2007- 2013 PhD, Economics, University of British Columbia
Advisor: Yoram Halevy

2006-2007 MA, Economics, University of British Columbia

2002-2006 BA, Economics and Geography, University of Guelph

PUBLICATIONS

(S) Ellis, Andew and David Freeman. 2024. "Revealing Choice Bracketing." *American Economic Review,* 114(9): 2668-2700.

(S) Freeman, David and Kevin Laughren*. 2024. "Task Completion Without Commitment." *Experimental Economics*, 27:273-294.

Tong, Hanh* and David Freeman. 2021. "Anchors of Strategic Reasoning in the Traveler's Dilemma". *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 191: 28-38.

(S) Freeman, David. 2021. "Revealing Naïveté and Sophistication from Procrastination and Preproperation". *American Economic Journal: Microeconomics*, 13(2): 402-438

Freeman, David, Erik Kimbrough, and Philipp Reiss. 2020. "Opportunity Costs, Inattention, and the Bidder's Curse". *European Economic Review*, 129: article 103543.

Freeman, David. 2019. "Expectations-Based Reference-Dependence and Choice under Risk". *Economic Journal*, 129(622): 2424-2458.

Freeman, David and Guy Mayraz. 2019. "Why Choice Lists Increase Risk-Taking". *Experimental Economics,* 22(1): 131-154.

Freeman, David, Yoram Halevy, and Terri Kneeland. 2019. "Eliciting Risk Preferences using Choice Lists" *Quantitative Economics,* 10(1): 217-237.

Freeman, David, Erik Kimbrough, Garrett Petersen*, and Hanh Tong*. 2018. "Instructions". *Journal of the Economic Science Association*, 4(2): 165-179.

Freeman, David. 2017. "Preferred Personal Equilibrium and Simple Choices," *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 143: 165-172.

Freeman, David. 2017. "Risk-Taking with Background Risk under Recursive Rank-Dependent Utility," *Mathematical Social Sciences*, 87: 72-74.

Freeman, David, Paola Manzini, Marco Mariotti, and Luigi Mittone. 2016. "Procedures for Eliciting Time Preferences," *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, 126(A), 235-242.

Freeman, David. 2015. "Calibration without Reduction for Non-Expected Utility". *Journal of Economic Theory*, 158(A), 21-32.

Working Papers

(S) Freeman, David, Hanh Tong*, and Lanny Zrill. 2024. "Nudge Me: Preferences over Default-Setting Rules." Submitted.

Presentations

"Nudge Me: Preferences over Default-Setting Rules"

2025 UC Riverside (virtual)

"Revealing Choice Bracketing"

2023 Ottawa Workshop on Behavioural Economics, Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory Conference

2022 UC Berkeley/Chicago Booth Behavioral Workshop (virtual); UC San Diego; Bounded Rationality in Choice

2021 Maastricht Behavioral and Experimental Economics Symposium (virtual); Canadian Economics Association Annual Conference (virtual); University of Technology Sydney (virtual); Econometric Society North American Winter Meetings (virtual)

2020 Economic Science Association World Virtual Meetings (virtual); Decision: Theory, Experiments, and Ambiguity workshop (virtual); Queen Mary University London (micro workshop); University College London

2019 UC Santa Barbara (micro workshop); Chapman University

"Opportunity Costs, Inattention, and the Bidder's Curse"

2017 Canadian Economics Association Annual Conference

"Revealing Sophistication and Naïveté from Procrastination"

2019 UC San Diego (micro workshop)

2018 McMaster University; University of Guelph; Frankfurt Workshop on Behavioral Economics

2017 University of Saskatchewan

2016 Canadian Economic Theory Conference; Canadian Economics Association Annual Conference; Bounded Rationality in Choice; Risk, Uncertainty and Decision; Foundations and Applications of Utility and Risk XVII

"Why Choice Lists Increase Risk-Taking"

2018 North American Economic Science Association Conference; Canadian Economics Association Annual Conference

2016 University of Victoria

"Eliciting Risk Preferences using Choice Lists"

2015	Canadian Economics Association Annual Conference; Maastricht Behavioral and Experimental Economics Symposium
2014	Foundations and Applications of Utility and Risk XVI; Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting
2012	Canadian Economics Association Annual Conference; Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics – Experimental Session; North American Economic Science Association Conference

"Revealed Preference Foundations of Expectations-Based Reference-Dependence"

2015	Oxford University
2014	Canadian Economics Association Annual Conference
2013	University of Toronto; University of Exeter; Decision Day at Duke; Canadian Economic Theory Conference; Risk, Uncertainty, and Decision; Maastricht Behavioral and Experimental Economics Symposium; Econometric Society North American Summer Meetings; Bounded Rationality in Choice
2012	University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University

"Calibration without Reduction for Non-Expected Utility"

2012	Foundations and Applications of Utility and Risk XV
2011	Canadian Economics Association Annual Conference

VISITS (1+ WEEKS)

UPF (December 2013), Melbourne (June 2014), UCL (June 2015), UCSB (September-December 2019), QMUL (February-March 2020)

GRANTS

2022-2026	SSHRC Insight Grant	$155,100
2018-2021	SSHRC Insight Grant	$95,078
2018-2020	SFU/SSHRC Institutional Research Grant	$7,000
2016-2018	SFU/SSHRC Institutional Research Grant	$6,720
2016-2018	SSHRC Insight Development Grant	$58,614
2015-2018	VPR 4A Grant	$10,000
2014,16,18	VPR Travel Grant	$1,500
2014-2016	SFU/SSHRC Institutional Research Grant	$7,000
2013-2016	President's Research Start-up Grant	$15,000

SERVICE

Undergraduate Chair, SFU Economics, September 2024-

Co-organizer, Economic Science Association World Conference 2019

Co-organizer, Canadian Economic Theory Conference 2014

Co-organizer, Canadian Economics Association Annual Meeting 2014 CETC (theory) sessions, 2021 CEBERG (experimental/behavioural) sessions

Referee for various journals (average of approximately 10 papers per year since tenure), NSF, SSHRC, tenure cases.

SSHRC Insight Development Grant Adjudication Committee member, 2020, 2021, 2022, chair in 2023.

SFU Economics Appointments Committee, Fall 2020-Summer 2024.

SFU Economics Brown Bag Workshop Organizer, Fall 2013, Spring 2014, Spring 2015, Fall 2017, Spring 2018.

SFU Economics Graduate Admissions Committee member, Fall 2014-Spring 2016.

SFU Economics Graduate Curriculum Committee member, Fall 2018-Summer 2019.

SFU Economics Undergraduate Curriculum Committee member, Fall 2024-present.

Centre for Research in Adaptive Behaviour in Economics steering committee member, June 2016-May 2019.

SFU Economics Tenure and Promotion Committee member, Summer 2016-Spring 2017.

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

2025 Canada's universities have lost their way. Why do we keep giving them money with no strings attached? The Hub. Op-ed on university funding reform.

2024 To make better decisions, consider the connection between choices. SFU Scholarly Impact of the Week, 2024. Interview based on "Revealing Choice Bracketing".

2019 Testing the model on expectations-based reference points. Royal Economic Society. Media briefing based on "Preferred Personal Equilibrium and Choice under Risk".

2017 What investors can learn from e-bay bidders. Canadian Investment Review. General audience summary based on "Opportunity Cost, Inattention, and the Winner's Curse".

TEACHING Mathematical Economics (3rd year undergraduate, 1st year PhD), Behavioural Economics (4th year undergraduate, PhD reading course), Intermediate Microeconomics (2nd year undergraduate), Experimental Economics (MA/PhD).
SFU Experimental Economics Reading Group, 2013-2018.

PHD ADVISING Hanh Tong (2020, primary advisor). First placement: data scientist at Theory and Practice.
Garrett Petersen (2021, primary advisor). First placement: data scientist at Gauntlet.
Kevin Laughren (2021, primary advisor). First placement: post-doc at Queen's University Smith School of Business.
Babak Sahragard (3rd year, committee member).
Marie Carmel Zagre (3rd year, primary advisor).

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* denotes PhD student co-author.