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## **EDUCATION:**

### **George Mason University, Economics PhD Program**

Ph.D. Economics (2008)  
M.A. Economics (2006)

### **Law & Economics Center at George Mason University School of Law**

Invited Attendee – 16<sup>th</sup> Law Institute for Economics Professors (July 2012)

### **Center for the History of Political Economy at Duke University**

Participant – 2014 Summer Institute

## **AWARDS AND GRANTS:**

2019	Honorable Mention, Independent Review Excellence Prize
2018	Templeton Foundation “Advancing Austrian Economics” \$1.7 mil
2014	Approved for tenure and promotion to associate professor at Loyola N.O.
2012	William Barnett Professorship in Free Enterprise Studies
2011	Loyola Student Government: Outstanding Organizational Advisor – Econ Club
2011	Gordon Tullock Prize, best paper in Public Choice by a young scholar
2010	Summer research grant awarded from the H.B. Earhart Foundation
2010	Loyola College of Business Faculty Award for Outstanding Research
2010	Ludwig Lachmann summer visiting scholar at The Mercatus Center
2009	Sir John M. Templeton essay contest, honorable mention.
2009	MBA student association’s Faculty Member of the Year
2008	Institute for Humane Studies, summer research fellowship
2008	Israel M. Kirzner Award for best dissertation in Austrian Economics
2007 – 08	The Mercatus Center, Ciocca dissertation fellowship
2007	Don Lavoie Memorial Graduate Student Essay Prize
2007, 05, 04	Ludwig von Mises Institute, summer research fellowship
2004, 06	3 H. B. Earhart graduate student fellowships
2006	Richard E. Fox Prize for best paper
2005	The Mercatus Center, graduate student summer fellowship

## PUBLICATIONS:

### 1. Journal Articles

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Martin, Adam (2022). "Proportionality Preserving Polycentricity," *Public Affairs Quarterly*. 36(1): 19-45.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2019). "Knowledge Problems from behind the Veil of Ignorance," *The Independent Review*. 24(1): 73-87.

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Williamson, Claudia (2019). "An Empirical Examination of Institutions and Cross-Country Incarceration Rates," *Public Choice*. 180(3-4): 217-242.

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Williamson, Claudia (2019). "The Punitive Consequences of Organizational Structures in England, France and the United States," *Journal of Institutional Economics*. 15(2): 303-326.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2018). "The Law and Economics of Sycophancy," *Constitutional Political Economy*. 29(4): 424-439.

Golz, Michael and D'Amico, Daniel J. (2018). "Market Concentration in the International Drug Trade," *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*. 150: 28-42.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2017). "The Social Provision of Punishment and Incarceration," *American Journal of Economics and Sociology*. 76(5): 1107-1132.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2017). "The Counter-Revolution of Criminological Sciences: A study on the abuse of reasoned punishment," *Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics*. 10(1): 1-40.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2017). "Incorporating Social Capital Theory into the Austrian Business Cycle Theory," *Journal of Business Valuation and Economic Loss Analysis*. 12(1).

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2015). "Knowledge Problems and Proportionality," *Criminal Justice Ethics*. 34(2): 131-155.

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Williamson, Claudia (2015). "Do Legal Origins Affect Cross-Country Incarceration Rates?" *Journal of Comparative Economics*. 43(3): 595-612.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2012). "Comparative Political Economy When Anarchy is on the Table," *Review of Austrian Economics*. 25: 63-75.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2010). "The Prison in Economics: Private and Public Incarceration in Ancient Greece," *Public Choice*. 145(3-4): 461-82.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2010). "Peter Boettke's New Comparative Political Economy as Libertarian Scholarship," *The Journal of Private Enterprise*. 26(1): 80-96.

Boettke, Peter J. and D'Amico, Daniel J. (2010). "Corridors, Coordination, and the Entrepreneurial Theory of the Market Process," *The Journal of Private Enterprise*. 25(2): 87-96.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2010). "The Business Ethics of Incarceration: The Moral Implications of Treating Prisons Like Businesses," *Reason Papers*. 31: 125-47.

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Boettke, Peter J. (2010). "From Neuro-Hayekians to Subjectivist Hayekians," *Advances in Austrian Economics*. 13: 399-403.

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Boettke, Peter J. (2010). "Making Sense out of *The Sensory Order*," *Advances in Austrian Economics*. 13: 357-81.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2008). "Dissertation Summary: The Prisoner's Dilemma: The Political Economy of Proportionate Punishment," *Erasmus Journal for Philosophy and Economics*. 1(1): 181-4.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2008). "Who's to Blame for all the Heartache? A Response to Anti-Capitalistic Mentalities after Katrina," *International Journal of Social Economics*. 35(8): 590-602.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2008). "Tattoo Prohibition Behind Bars: The Case for Repeal," *The Journal of Private Enterprise*. 23(2): 113-34.

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Klein, Dan (2007). "The Internet and the Structure of Discourse: The Websites of Economists at Harvard and George Mason," *Econ Journal Watch*. 4(2): 272-83.

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Block, Walter (2007). "A Legal and Economic Analysis of Graffiti," *Humanomics*. 23(1): 29-38.

## **2. Edited Volumes**

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Martin, Adam G. (2022). "Introduction," in D. D'Amico and A. Martin (eds.) "Symposium on Institutional Analysis, Market Processes, and Interdisciplinary Social Sciences" *Journal of Institutional Economics*. 19(3): 445-448.

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Martin, Adam G. (2022). "Introduction," in D. D'Amico and A. Martin (eds.) *Advances in Austrian Economics, Volume 26: Contemporary Methods and Austrian Economics*. Emerald.

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Martin, Adam G. (2019). "Introduction," in D. D'Amico and A. Martin (eds.) *Advances in Austrian Economics, Volume 25: Philosophy, Politics and Austrian Economics*. Emerald.

D'Amico, Daniel J. and Martin, Adam G. (2019). "Introduction," in D. D'Amico and A. Martin (eds.) *Advances in Austrian Economics, Volume 24: Assessing Austrian Economics*. Emerald.

### 3. Book Chapters

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2022). "On the Military and Prison Industrial Complexes," in A. Grosman (ed.) *Oxford Handbook of State Capitalism and the Firm*. Oxford University Press.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2020). "States, Incarceration, and Organizational Structure: Towards a General Theory of Imprisonment," in G. Chartier and C. Van Schoelandt (eds.) *The Routledge Handbook of Anarchy and Anarchist Thought*. Routledge.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2018). "Rules Versus Discretion in Criminal Sentencing," in R. Wagner (ed.) *James M. Buchanan: A Theorist of Political Economy and Social Philosophy*. Palgrave Macmillan: pp. 883-902.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2017). "The Potentials and Limits of De-Incarceration," in C. Surprenant (ed.) *Rethinking Punishment in the Era of Mass Incarceration*. Routledge, pp. 309-328.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2015). "Spontaneous Order," in C. Coyne and P. Boettke (eds.) *Oxford University Press Handbook on Austrian Economics*. Oxford University Press, pp. 115-144.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2012). "New Forward," to *Defending the Undefendable* by Walter Block. Laissez Faire Books.

D'Amico, Daniel J. (2010). "Rock me like a Hurricane! How music communities promote social capital adept for recovery," *After Katrina: The Political Economy of Disaster and Community Rebound*. Emily Chamlee-Wright and Virgil Henry Storr (eds.). Edward Elgar, pp. 126-40.

### 4. Book Reviews

w/ John Tomasi (2016). "Review Symposium: The Politics of Precarity, A Discussion of Sanford Schram's *Return of Ordinary Capitalism: Neoliberalism, Precarity, Occupy*," *Perspectives on Politics*. 14(2): 4-5.

Book Review (2015). "Nina M. Moore: *The Political Roots of Racial Tracking in American Criminal Justice*," *Public Choice*. 165(3-4): 307-309.

Book Review (2015). "Prison Nation: How America's Incarceration System is like a Distinct Nation, Book Review of *A Country Called Prison: Mass Incarceration and the Making of a New Nation* by Mary D. Looman and John D. Carl," *Reason Magazine*. August 30.

Book Review (2015) "*The Social Order of the Underworld: How Prison Gangs Govern the American Penal System* by David Skarbek," *Quarterly Journal of Austrian Economics*. 18(2): 240-243.

Book Review (2015) “*The Social Order of the Underworld: How Prison Gangs Govern the American Penal System* by David Skarbek,” *Independent Review*. 19(4): 622-625.

Book Review (2013). “*Living Economics: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow* by Peter Boettke,” *EA Magazine*. Summer: 34.

Book Review (2013). “*Lost Causes: The Retreat from Classical Liberalism* by Deepak Lal,” *The Independent Review*. 17(4): 605-7.

Book Review (2012). “*The Cultural and Political Economy of Recovery: Social learning in a post-disaster environment* by Emily Chamlee-Wright,” *The Freeman*. 62(2): 44-45.

Book Review (2011). “*The Illusion of Free Markets: Punishment and the Myth of Natural Order* by Bernard Harcourt,” *EH.net*. April 29, 2011.

Book Review (2010). “*The Austrian School: Market Order and Entrepreneurial Creativity* by Jesus Huerta de Soto,” *Review of Austrian Economics*. 23(2): 193-8.

Book Review (2007). “Changing of the Guard: Private Prisons and the Control of Crime Edited by Alexander Tabarrok,” *Journal of Libertarian Studies*. 21(2): 123-8

Book Review (2005). “The Digital Person: Technology and Privacy in the Information Age by Daniel J. Solove,” *Journal of Law Economics & Policy*. 1(2): 537-41.

## **WORK IN PROGRESS:**

“Federalism, Organizational Structure, and Incarceration” work in progress

### **Invited Lectures, Paper Presentations and Panel Discussions:**

Sound Money, Free Banking and Private Governance AIER: August 6-12, 2017.

“Cartel Federalism and the Prison Industrial Complex”

Panel participant, Prison Reform Workshop, Johnson Center Troy University: February 20, 2017

Invited paper presentation at Creighton University: November 7, 2015

“Do Legal Origins Affect Cross Country Incarceration Rates?”

Invited paper presentation at West Virginia University: October 16, 2015

“Do Legal Origins Affect Cross Country Incarceration Rates?”

Invited paper presentation at the Colloquium on Market Institutions & Economic Processes at New York University: January 26, 2015

“Some Institutional Limits on Justified Punishment”

Invited paper presentation at the Rationality, Choice and Uncertainty Research Seminar at King's College London: June 25, 2014

"The Forging of Iron Cages: Do Institutions Explain Cross-Country Incarceration Rates?"

Invited lecture at The Ohio State University: February 20, 2014

"Our Prison Planet: An Inquiry into the Nature and Causes of Mass Imprisonment"

Invited paper presentation at Arizona State University: November 21, 2013

"The Knowledge Problems and Public Reasons of Criminal Punishment"

Invited paper presentation at the Workshop in Philosophy, Politics and Economics at George Mason University: September 13, 2013

"Counter Revolutions of Criminological Science"

Invited paper presentation at Mississippi State University: April 5, 2013

"The Forging of Iron Cages: Determinants of International Incarceration Rates"

Invited lecture for The Alexis De Tocqueville Project at UNO: March 14, 2013

"Seeing Incarceration through De Tocqueville's Eyes"

Invited panel discussion hosted by the Institute for Strategic Policy Solutions at St. Petersburg College: February 6, 2013

"Does Incarceration Reduce Crime?"

Invited lecture at Florida State University: November 29, 2012

"The American Prison State"

Invited lecture James Madison College at Michigan State: October 15, 2012

"The Prisoner's Dilemma"

Comments on Conflict of Visions

Invited lecture for the Exploring Economic Freedom Lecture Series, Metro State University of Denver: September 29, 2011

"The Prisoner's Dilemma and the Dilemma of Imprisonment"

Invited paper presentation at the Economics Colloquium at New York University: May 2, 2011

"The Use of Knowledge in Proportionate Punishment"

### **Conference Presentations:**

Philosophy, Politics and Economics Society Annual Meeting: March 15-17, 2018

Paper presentation: "Proportionality Preserving Polycentricity"

Public Choice Society Annual Meeting: March 1-3, 2018

Paper presentation: "Cartel Federalism and Mass Incarceration"

Southern Economics Association Meeting: November 17-19, 2017

Paper presentation: "Isonomia Preserving Polycentricity"

Public Choice Society Annual Meeting: March 2-4, 2017

Paper presentation: "The Potentials and Limitations of De-Incarceration"

Paper presentation: "Market Concentration in the International Drug Trade"

Southern Economics Association Meeting: November 19-21, 2016

Paper presentation: "Proportionality Preserving Federalism"

Public Choice Society Annual Meeting: March 10-12, 2016

Session chair: Historical Perspectives

Paper presentation: "Punitive Consequences of Legal Origins"

Southern Economics Association Meeting: November 21-26, 2015

Session chair: The Political Economy of War, Disaster, and Mass Incarceration

Paper presentation: "Why Nations Jail?"

Association for Private Enterprise Education: April 12-16, 2015

Paper presentation: "Opportunities for Political Entrepreneurship in Criminal Justice Across Legal Origins"

Public Choice Society Annual Meeting: March 12-15, 2015

Paper presentation: "Prison Growth and Political Interests Across Legal Origins"

Southern Economics Association Meeting: November 21-23, 2014

Paper presentation: "Institutional Limitations to Justified Punishment"

Discussant on panel "Governance without the State"

Lisbon Street Art & Urban Creativity International Conference: July 3-5, 2014

Paper presentation: "Lessons from Mardi Gras: Fostered Culture between New Orleans and an Online Learning Community"

Association for Private Enterprise Education: April 13-15, 2014

Paper presentation: "Punishment, Proportionality and Knowledge Problems"

Liberty, Privacy and the Security State and Advanced Policy Seminar hosted by the Institute for Humane Studies March 28-30, 2014

Lecture title: "The Rise of Mass Incarceration"

Southern Economics Association Meeting: November 23-25, 2013

Paper presentation: "Economic Freedom and Mass Incarceration"

Association for Private Enterprise Education: April 14-16, 2013

Paper presentation: "Punitive Consequences of Colonial Origins"

Public Choice Society Annual Meeting: March 7-10, 2013

Paper presentation: "The Punitive Consequence of Colonial and Legal Origins"

Association for Private Enterprise Education: April 1-3, 2012

Paper presentation: "Spontaneous v. Emergent Order"

Association for Private Enterprise Education, Annual Meeting: April 10 - 12, 2011

Chaired panel: "Anarchy"

Paper presentation: "The State Effect and the Lucifer Effect"

Southern Economics Association Meeting: November 20, 2010

Paper presentation: "Delinquency and Development"

Association for Private Enterprise Education, Annual Meeting, April 10 – 13, 2010

Chaired panel: "Philosophy and Economic Issues."

Paper presentation: "The Social Science of Punishment."

Association for Private Enterprise Education, Annual Meeting. April 5-7, 2009.

Paper presentation: "How Transition Economics Can Reform America's Criminal Justice System."

Southern Economics Association Meetings. Nov. 22-23, 2008.

Paper presentation: "Making Sense out of the Sensory Order."

Association for Private Enterprise Education, Annual Meeting, 2008

Paper presentation: "The Day the Music Lived: How New Orleans Garage Rock Survived Katrina."

Association for Private Enterprise Education, Annual Meeting, 2007

Paper presentation: "The Role of Prisons in the Economics of Public Goods: An Economic History of the Athenian Prison."

Southern Economics Association Meeting: November 19-21, 2007

Paper presentation, "The Use of Knowledge in Proportionate Punishment"

## **REFeree SERVICE:**

American Academy in Berlin,

*American Political Science Review*,

*Global Intellectual History*

*Handbook of Technology Management*,

*Independent Review*,

*International Journal of Social Economics*,

*International Review of Law & Economics*,

*Journal of Criminal Justice*,

*Journal of Economic Education*,

*Journal of Economics and Finance Education*,

*Journal of Institutional Economics*,



*Journal of Libertarian Studies,*  
*Journal of Private Enterprise,*  
*Political Research Quarterly,*  
*Public Choice,*  
*Res Publica,*  
*Review of Austrian Economics,*

## **PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS:**

Co-editor	Advances in Austrian Economics (present)
Executive committee member:	Carl Menger Essay Contest
Fellow:	Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce
F.A. Hayek affiliated fellow:	Workshop in Politics, Philosophy and Economics at George Mason University
Affiliated scholar:	INWARD Study Center on Urban Creativity at Sapienza University in Rome
Affiliated scholar:	The Molinari Institute
Member:	Southern Economic Association
Member:	The Association for Private Enterprise Education
Member:	The Public Choice Society
Member:	NOUS, Network for Constitutional Economics and Social Philosophy
Editorial board member:	Studies in Emergent Order (2010-13)
Executive committee member:	Soc. for the Development of Austrian Economics (2010-13)

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

*Full course teaching evaluations and sample syllabi are available upon request.*

Fall 2015 – Spring 2022	Lecturer in Economics, Brown University Courses: Economic Analysis of Political Decision Making
Fall 2014 – Spring 2015	Visiting Professor of Political Science, Brown University Courses: Prosperity: The Ethics and Economics of Wealth Creation Individual Liberty and Mass Incarceration
Fall 2008 – Spring 2014	Assistant Professor of Economics, Loyola University Courses: Principles of Microeconomics, Principles of Macroeconomics, Intermediate Microeconomics, Economics for MBA students, The Economics of Crime and Punishment, The Contemporary Culture of Capitalism
Spring 2007-2008	Graduate Student Lecturer, George Mason University Courses: Intermediate Macroeconomics Economies in Transition

## **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS AVAILABLE UPON REQUEST:**

- full list of designed and managed student programs
- full list of local and national media appearances

## PROFESSIONAL BIO:

Daniel J. D'Amico is the inaugural director of the Stephenson Institute for Classical Liberalism founded in 2021 and an associated faculty member at Wabash College. The Stephenson Institute is a student-focused resource center dedicated to investigating questions related to personal responsibility, individual rights, freedom of speech, and the essential role of liberty in a free society.

Prior to 2022 professor D'Amico was the Associate Director of The Political Theory Project and Lecturer in Economics at Brown University where he taught and coordinated student programs dedicated to the study of institutions and ideas that make societies free, prosperous, and fair. Prior to arriving at Brown in 2015, Daniel was awarded the level of Associate Professor of economics at Loyola University New Orleans, where he garnered awards for teaching, research and service.

Daniel earned his doctoral degree in economics from George Mason University in 2008. His dissertation, "The Prisoner's Dilemma: The Political Economy of Proportionate Punishment," was awarded the Israel M. Kirzner Award for best dissertation in Austrian Economics by the Society for the Development of Austrian Economics. In 2011 Daniel's paper, "The Prison in Economics: Private and Public Incarceration in Ancient Greece," was awarded the Gordon Tullock Prize for the best paper published in the journal *Public Choice* by a scholar under the age of forty.

Daniel's current research is focused upon the applied political economy of punishment and incarceration throughout history and around the world. He has published over 20 journal articles in a variety of scholarly outlets across academic disciplines including but not limited to *Public Choice*, the *Journal of Comparative Economics*, the *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organizations*, the *Journal of Institutional Economics*, and *Public Affairs Quarterly*. Daniel is currently the co-editor of *Advances in Austrian Economics*, a fellow with the Royal Society for the Encouragement of Arts, Manufactures and Commerce, an affiliated scholar with the workshop in Politics, Philosophy and Economics at George Mason University, and a . He is a co-founder of the Carl Menger Essay Contest.

## PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES:

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