# Patrick A. Testa

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RESEARCH FIELDS	Political economy, development and growth, economic history, urban economics, public economics, microeconomic theory
Employment	Tulane University, New Orleans, LA Assistant Professor of Economics, Department of Economics Faculty Fellow, Murphy Institute  2019 – Present 2019 – Present
EDUCATION	University of California, Irvine, Irvine, CA  Ph.D., Economics  Dissertation: Essays in the Political Economy of Development  Committee: Stergios Skaperdas, Daniel Bogart, and Jean-Paul Carvalho  M.A., Economics  2015
	Loyola University, New Orleans, LA B.B.A., Economics Minor in Mathematics  2014
Publications	• "Education and propaganda: Tradeoffs to public education provision in nondemocracies," <i>Journal of Public Economics</i> , 2018, 160: 66-81.
Working Papers	• "The economic legacy of expulsion: Lessons from postwar Czechoslovakia," Revise and Resubmit at The Economic Journal.
	• "Shocks and the spatial distribution of economic activity: The role of institutions," Revise and Resubmit at Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization.
Works in Progress	• "Nation-building and state-building: National identity, state capacity, and economic performance" (with Stergios Skaperdas).
	• "Resource blessing? Oil abundance and religion as social insurance in the U.S. South" (with Andreas Ferrara).
Awards	<ul> <li>Romney Award for Outstanding Research Paper, UCI School of Social Sciences "The economic legacy of expulsion: Lessons from postwar Czechoslovakia"</li> <li>Kassouf Fellowship for Excellence in Research, UCI Department of Economics Christian Werner Fellowship, UCI School of Social Sciences Art DeVany Best Poster Award, UCI Department of Economics Economics Merit Fellowship, UCI Department of Economics Summer Research Fellowship, UCI Department of Economics Distinction in Microeconomics, UCI Department of Economics Humane Studies Fellowship, Institute for Humane Studies Merit Fellowship in Economics, UCI Department of Economics 2014 – 2018</li> <li>Merit Fellowship in Economics, UCI Department of Economics 2014 – 2019</li> </ul>
Presentations	<b>2020</b> : 19th ASREC Meeting ( <b>Chapman</b> , cancelled), Tulane-LSU Mini Conference ( <b>Tulane</b> upcoming), 95th WEAI Meeting ( <b>Denver</b> , upcoming), 90th SEA Meeting ( <b>New Orleans</b> invited), Economic Growth Conference at SEA ( <b>New Orleans</b> , invited).

2019: Tulane University (New Orleans), Louisiana State University (Baton Rouge), University of Utah (Salt Lake City), George Mason University (Fairfax, VA), University

of Alberta (Edmonton).

2018: EHA Annual Meeting (Montréal), CAGE Workshop (Warwick), 17th ASREC Meeting (Chapman), 11th Conference on Migration and Development (Stanford), 13th UEA Meeting (Colombia), CGPACS Seminar (UC Irvine), Economic History Workshop (UC Irvine), All-UC Workshop (UC Berkeley), Graduate Poster Session (UC Irvine), Urban and Transport Seminar (UC Irvine), IRES Workshop (Chapman).

2017: Graduate Poster Session (UC Irvine), 54th Public Choice Society Meeting (New Orleans), 16th ASREC Meeting (Boston), THPE Workshop (UC Irvine), Economic History Workshop (UC Irvine), Economics Computing Lunch Workshop (UC Irvine).

2016: Graduate Poster Session (UC Irvine), 11th Economics Graduate Students Conference (Washington University in St. Louis), 13th IMBS Graduate Student Conference (UC Irvine), THPE Workshop (UC Irvine).

## Conference

#### Discussant

Service

2019: Economic History Association Meeting (Atlanta)

2018: Urban Economics Association Meeting (Colombia)

2018: Institute for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Society Workshop (Chapman)

2018: Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture Meeting (Chapman)

2017: Public Choice Society Meeting (New Orleans)

2017: Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Culture Meeting (Boston)

## DEPARTMENTAL

#### SERVICE

Tulane University

Ph.D. Qualifying Exam Coordinator, Department of Economics (2020)

Mock Interviewer, Department of Economics (2019)

University of California, Irvine

Lead Organizer, Theory, History, & Political Economy Workshop (2017-2018)

Graduate Student Tutor, Economics Learning Center (2015-2019)

### Teaching

#### Instructor

**Tulane**: Graduate Microeconomics I, Game Theory, Positive Political Economy, Political Economy of Nondemocracy.

### Teaching Assistant

UC Irvine: Graduate Microeconomics I-III, Intermediate Microeconomics II (head TA), Basic Microeconomics, Basic Macroeconomics, Global Economy, Game Theory & Politics.

### Refereeing

Journal of Economic History (2), Economics of Governance, Journal of Population Economics.