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Academic Positions

2019-present *Chapman University, Argyros School of Business and Economics*
Professor (with tenure)
2014-2019 Associate Professor (with tenure)
2014-2016 Faculty Chair
2011-2014 Assistant Professor
California State University, Fullerton
2007-2011 Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

Professional Activities

Editorial Boards
2019-present *Journal of Economic History*
2017-present *Journal of Comparative Economics*
2017-present *Explorations in Economic History*
2012-present *Essays in Economic and Business History*
2019 *Journal of Demographic Economics*
Editor of special issue on the Economics of Religion
Visiting Professor
2018 California Institute of Technology
2012 Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research (SIEPR)
2010-11 Chapman University
Institute for the Study of Religion, Economics, and Society (IRES)
2016-present Co-Director
2011-2016 Associate Director
Association for the Study of Religion, Economics, & Culture (ASREC)
2019-present President
2010-present Board Member, Program Chair, Executive Director
Economic Science Institute (ESI)
2011-present Research Associate
Association for the Analytic Learning about Islam & Muslim Societies
2012-present Faculty Fellow

Education

2002-2007 Ph.D. in Economics, Stanford University
Advisors: Avner Greif (primary), Timur Kuran, Ran Abramitzky
1998-2002 B.A. with high distinction, University of Virginia

External Grants and Awards

2019-2022	<i>John Templeton Foundation</i> , \$325,346 (sole PI)
2018	<i>Society of Institutional and Organizational Economics</i> (SIOE) Winner, Douglass North Best Book Award
2016-2019	<i>John Templeton Foundation</i> , \$408,215 (sole PI)
2012-2014	<i>John Templeton Foundation</i> , \$324,997 (co-PI)
2007	<i>Economic History Association</i> Finalist, Alexander Gerschenkron Prize

Books

1. Rubin, Jared. 2017. *Rulers, Religion, and Riches: Why the West Got Rich and the Middle East Did Not*, New York: Cambridge University Press.
 - Winner, Douglass North Best Book Award for the best research in institutional and organizational economics published during the previous two years, awarded by the *Society of Institutional and Organizational Economics*
 - Arabic Translation: Beirut: Dar Al Rafidain, forthcoming.
 - Urdu translation: دولت اور مذہب، نارمک ح: یوں سطرے و ہوا، مشرق امیر کیوں مغرب نہ ہوا؟ Lahore: Mashal Books, 2018.

Edited Volumes

2. Carvalho, Jean-Paul, Sriya Iyer, and Jared Rubin (eds.). 2019. *Advances in the Economics of Religion*. New York: Palgrave Macmillan.

Journal Articles

3. Ma, Debin, and Jared Rubin. 2019. “[The Paradox of Power: Principal-Agent Problems and Administrative Capacity in Imperial China \(and other Absolutist Regimes\)](#).” *Journal of Comparative Economics* 47(2): 277-294.
4. Hajikhameneh, Aidin, and Jared Rubin. 2019. “[Exchange in the Absence of Legal Enforcement: Reputation and Multilateral Punishment under Uncertainty](#).” *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* 35(1): 192-237.
5. Kuran, Timur, and Jared Rubin. 2018. “[The Financial Power of the Powerless: Socio-Economic Status and Interest Rates under Partial Rule of Law](#).” *Economic Journal* 128(609): 758-796.
6. Rubin, Jared, Anya Samek, and Roman Sheremeta. 2018. “[Loss Aversion and the Quantity-Quality Trade-off](#).” *Experimental Economics* 21(2): 292-315.
7. Becker, Sascha O., Steven Pfaff, and Jared Rubin. 2016. “[Causes and Consequences of the Protestant Reformation](#).” *Explorations in Economic History* 62: 1-25.
8. Chaudhary, Latika, and Jared Rubin. 2016. “[Religious Identity and the Provision of Public Goods: Evidence from the Indian Princely States](#).” *Journal of Comparative Economics* 44(3): 461-483.

9. Rubin, Jared, and Roman Sheremeta. 2016. "[Principal-Agent Settings with Random Shocks.](#)" *Management Science* 62(4): 985-999.
10. Kimbrough, Erik, and Jared Rubin. 2015. "[Sustaining Group Reputation.](#)" *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* 31(3): 599-628.
11. Kimbrough, Erik, Jared Rubin, Roman Sheremeta, and Timothy Shields. 2015. "[Commitment Problems in Conflict Resolution.](#)" *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization* 112: 33-45.
12. Rubin, Jared. 2014. "[Printing and Protestants: An Empirical Test of the Role of Printing in the Reformation.](#)" *Review of Economics and Statistics* 96(2): 270-286.
13. Rubin, Jared. 2014. "[Centralized Institutions and Cascades.](#)" *Journal of Comparative Economics* 42(2): 340-357.
14. Aimone, Jason A., Laurence R. Iannaccone, Michael D. Makowsky, and Jared Rubin. 2013. "[Endogenous Group Formation via Unproductive Costs.](#)" *Review of Economic Studies* 80(4): 1215-1236.
15. Makowsky, Michael D. and Jared Rubin. 2013. "[An Agent-Based Model of Centralized Institutions, Social Network Technology, and Revolution.](#)" *PLoS ONE* 8(11): e80380.
16. Coşgel, Metin M., Thomas J. Miceli, and Jared Rubin. 2012. "[The Political Economy of Mass Printing: Legitimacy, Revolt, and Technological Change in the Ottoman Empire.](#)" *Journal of Comparative Economics* 40(3): 357-371.
17. Coşgel, Metin M., Thomas J. Miceli, and Jared Rubin. 2012. "[Political Legitimacy and Technology Adoption.](#)" *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics* 168(3): 339-361.
18. Rubin, Jared. 2011. "[Institutions, the Rise of Commerce, and the Persistence of Laws: Interest Restrictions in Islam & Christianity.](#)" *Economic Journal* 121(557): 1310-1339.
19. Iannaccone, Laurence R., Colleen E. Haight, and Jared Rubin. 2011. "[Lessons from Delphi: Religious Markets and Spiritual Capitals.](#)" *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization* 77(3): 326-338.
20. Chaudhary, Latika, and Jared Rubin. 2011. "[Reading, Writing, and Religion: Institutions and Human Capital Formation.](#)" *Journal of Comparative Economics* 39(1): 17-33.
21. Rubin, Jared. 2010. "[Bills of Exchange, Interest Bans, and Impersonal Exchange in Islam and Christianity.](#)" *Explorations in Economic History* 47(2): 213-227.
22. Rubin, Jared. 2009. "[Social Insurance, Commitment, and the Origin of Law: Interest Bans in Early Christianity.](#)" *Journal of Law and Economics* 52(4): 761-777.
23. David, Paul A., and Jared Rubin. 2008. "[Restricting Access to Books on the Internet: Some Unanticipated Effects of U.S. Copyright Legislation.](#)" *Review of Economic Research on Copyright Issues* 5(1): 23-53.

Book Chapters

24. Becker, Sascha O., Jared Rubin, and Ludger Woessmann. 2020. "Historical Studies of Religion." in *Handbook of Historical Economics* (edited by Alberto Bisin and Giovanni Federico). New York: Elsevier, forthcoming.
25. Rubin, Jared. 2020. "Religious Legitimacy and Long Run Economic Growth in the Middle East." in: *Oxford University Press Handbook on Politics of Muslim Societies* (edited by Melani Cammett and Pauline Jones). Oxford: Oxford University Press, forthcoming.
26. Rubin, Jared. 2019. "Religion and Politics: Why the West Got Rich and the Middle East Did Not." in: *Routledge Handbook on Middle East Economy* (edited by Hassan Hakimian). New York: Routledge, forthcoming.
27. Carvalho, Jean-Paul, Sriya Iyer, and Jared Rubin. 2019. "Introduction," in: *Advances in the Economics of Religion* (edited by Jean-Paul Carvalho, Sriya Iyer, and Jared Rubin). New York: Palgrave Macmillan, p. 1-21.
28. Rubin, Jared. 2019. "The Political and Economic Consequences of Religious Legitimacy." in: *Advances in the Economics of Religion* (edited by Jean-Paul Carvalho, Sriya Iyer, and Jared Rubin). New York: Palgrave Macmillan, p. 311-320.
29. Rubin, Jared. 2018. "Global Divergence and Economic Change." in: *An Economist's Guide to Economic History* (edited by Matthias Blum and Chris Colvin). New York: Palgrave Macmillan, p. 193-200.
30. Rubin, Jared. 2018. "Islamic Law and Economic Development." in: *Research Handbook on the History of Corporate Law* (edited by Harwell Wells). Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar Publishing, p. 17-32.
31. Becker, Sascha O., and Jared Rubin. 2017. "The Protestant Reformation's Impact in Europe." in: *The Long Economic Shadow of History* (edited by Stelios Michalopoulos and Elias Papaioannou). VOX E-book, p. 63-70.
32. Rubin, Jared. 2015. "Bills of Exchange, Financial Networks, and Quasi-Impersonal Exchange in Western Europe and the Middle East." in: *Union in Separation - Diasporic Groups and Identities in the Eastern Mediterranean (1100-1800)* (edited by Georg Christ, Franz-Julius Morche, Roberto Zaugg, Wolfgang Kaiser, Stefan Burkhardt, and Alexander D. Beihammer). Rome: Viella, p. 545-553.
33. Rubin, Jared. 2014. "Islamic Institutions and Underdevelopment." in: *Handbook on Islam and Economic Life* (edited by M. Kabir Hassan and Mervyn K. Lewis). Northampton, MA: Edward Elgar Publishing, p. 593-609.
34. Rubin, Jared. 2013. "Timur Kuran's Framework and Economic Underdevelopment in the Islamic World." in: *The Annual Proceedings of the Wealth and Well-Being of Nations* (edited by Joshua Hall). Beloit, WI: Beloit University Press, p. 85-94.
35. Rubin, Jared. 2012. "Trade and Commerce." in: *The Princeton Encyclopedia of Islamic Political Thought* (edited by Gerhard Bowering, Patricia Crone, Wadad Kadi, Devin J. Stuart, and Muhammad Qasim Zaman). Princeton, NJ: Princeton University Press, p. 552-554.

Working Papers and Works in Progress

36. Greif, Avner, and Jared Rubin. “Political Legitimacy and the Institutional Foundations of Constitutional Government: The Case of England.”
37. Karaja, Elira, and Jared Rubin. “[The Cultural Transmission of Trust Norms: Evidence from a Lab in the Field on a Natural Experiment.](#)”
38. Iyigun, Murat, Jared Rubin, and Avner Seror. “[A Theory of Conservative Revivals.](#)”
39. Boerner, Lars, Jared Rubin, and Battista Severgnini. “[A Time to Print, A Time to Reform.](#)”
40. Chaudhary, Latika, Jared Rubin, Sriya Iyer, and Anand Shrivastava. “[Culture and Colonial Legacy: Evidence from Public Goods Games.](#)”
41. Bisin, Alberto, Jared Rubin, Avner Seror, and Thierry Verdier. “Religious Legitimacy and the Long Divergence.”
42. Kuran, Timur, and Jared Rubin. “The Transition to Impersonal Exchange.”
43. Kimbrough, Erik, Jared Rubin, and Ryan Oprea. “Culture and Conservatism.”
44. Sheremeta, Roman, and Jared Rubin. “Effort, Skill, and Luck in Principal-Agent Settings.”

Book Reviews

45. Rubin, Jared. 2019. “Review of Francesca Trivellato, *The Promise and Peril of Credit: What a Forgotten Legend about Jews and Finance Tells Us about the Making of European Commercial Society.*” *Journal of Economic History*: forthcoming.
46. Rubin, Jared. 2018. “[Review of Jean-Philippe Platteau, *Islam Instrumentalized: Religion and Politics in Historical Perspective.*](#)” *Journal of Economic Literature* 56(4): 1601-1603.
47. Rubin, Jared. 2018. “[Review of Bas van Bavel, *The Invisible Hand? How Market Economies Have Emerged and Declined since AD 500.*](#)” EH.Net Economic History Services.
48. Rubin, Jared. 2017. “[Review of Metin Coşgel and Boğaç Ergene, *The Economics of Ottoman Justice: Settlement and Trial in the Sharia Courts.*](#)” EH.Net Economic History Services.
49. Rubin, Jared. 2016. “[Review of Murat Iyigun, *War, Peace, and Prosperity in the Name of God.*](#)” *Journal of Economic History* 76(3): p. 953-954.
50. “Rubin, Jared. 2015. “[Review of Murat Iyigun, *War, Peace, and Prosperity in the Name of God.*](#)” EH.Net Economic History Services.
51. Rubin, Jared. 2011. “[Review of Deirdre McCloskey, *Bourgeois Dignity: Why Economics Can't Explain the Modern World.*](#)” EH.Net Economic History Services.
52. Rubin, Jared. 2008. “[Review of M. Umer Chapra, *Muslim Civilization: The Causes of Decline and the Need for Reform.*](#)” EH.Net Economic History Services.

Other Publications

53. Kuran, Timur, and Jared Rubin. “[The Financial Power of the Powerless.](#)” *VoxEU*, April 28, 2018.
54. Iyigun, Murat, and Jared Rubin. “[Make Empire Great Again! Ideologies, Institutions, and Reforms.](#)” *Harvard Economic Review*, Fall 2017, p. 4-10.
55. Rubin, Jared. “[Why the West Got Rich and the Middle East Did Not.](#)” *ERF Policy Portal*, October 1, 2017.
56. Rubin, Jared. “[Why the West Got Rich and the Middle East Did Not.](#)” *Cambridge Blog*, May 25, 2017.
57. Aimone, Jason A., Laurence R. Iannaccone, Michael D. Makowsky, and Jared Rubin. “[Cooperation through unproductive costs.](#)” *OUPblog*, July 11, 2013.
58. Rubin, Jared. “[Institutions, religion, and the rise of Europe vis-à-vis the Middle East: A long-run reversal of fortunes.](#)” *VoxEU*, December 22, 2011.
59. David, Paul A., and Jared Rubin. “[How Many Scanned Books on the Web?](#)” *SIEPR Policy Brief*, Stanford University, December 2008.
60. Rubin, Jared. 2008. “[The Lender’s Curse: A New Look at the Origin and Persistence of Interest Bans in Islam and Christianity.](#)” Dissertation Summary, *Journal of Economic History* 68(2): p. 575-579.
61. Rubin, Jared. 2007. “The Lender’s Curse: A New Look at the Origin and Persistence of Interest Bans in Islam and Christianity,” Ph.D. Dissertation, Stanford University.

Referee Duties († ≥ 5x; ‡ ≥ 10x)

American Economic Review; American Journal of Political Science; American Political Science Review; B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy; British Journal of Political Science; Cambridge University Press; Comparative Education Review; Econometrica; Economic History Review; Economic Inquiry; Economic Journal†; *Economics of Governance; Edward Elgar Publishing; Essays in Economic and Business History; European Economic Review; European Journal of Political Economy; European Journal of Political Research; European Review of Economic History; Experimental Economics; Explorations in Economic History*‡; *The Independent Review; John Templeton Foundation; Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion; Journal of Comparative Economics*‡; *Journal of Development Economics; Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*†; *Journal of Economic History*‡; *Journal of Economic Psychology; Journal of Economic Surveys; Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient; Journal of the European Economic Association; Journal of Institutional Economics; Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics; Journal of Law and Economics; Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization; Journal of Law and Religion; Journal of Peace Research; Journal of Politics; Journal of Public Economics; Journal of Socio-Economics; Kyklos; Leverhulme Grant Foundation; Macroeconomic Dynamics; National Science Foundation; Oxford University Press; Palgrave Macmillan Press; Political Studies; Princeton University Press; Public Choice*†; *Quarterly Journal of Economics*†; *Review of Economic Studies;*

Review of Economics and Statistics; Review of Economics of the Household; Review of Social Economy; Social Science History; University of Chicago Press

Invited Seminars

2019: Rutgers University; University of Zurich; Handbook of Politics in Muslim Societies conference (Harvard University)

2018: Cal Tech; Duke University; Harvard University; IOEA Workshop (Corsica); Northwestern University; Royal Institute for Interfaith Studies (Amman, Jordan); UC Berkeley; UC Irvine; University of Colorado, Boulder

2017: Aix Marseille Université; Cambridge University (Economics of Religion Conference); Harvard University; Indiana University (PIEP Conference); Stanford University; Texas A&M; UC Riverside

2016: CIDE (Mexico City); Texas A&M; University of Southern California

2015: Cal Tech; University of Arizona; UC Davis; UC Irvine; Utrecht University; Yale University; AALIMS (Oxford University)

2014: Cal Tech; University of Washington

2013: Alma College; Beloit University; Comparative Medieval History Conference (Oxford University); AALIMS (Rice University)

2012: Osaka Workshop on Economics of Institutions and Organizations; Simon Fraser University; UC San Diego; Washington Area Economic History Seminar; AALIMS (Stanford University)

2011: Chapman University; London School of Economics; Stanford University; UC Irvine; University of Heidelberg “Union in Separation” Conference

2010: UC Berkeley; AALIMS (Duke University)

2009: CSU Fullerton; Stanford University; UC Davis

2008: George Mason University; Northwestern University; University of Connecticut

2007: CSU Fullerton; UC Irvine

Courses Taught

European Economic History; The Path to the Modern Economy; U.S. Economic History; Principles of Microeconomics