

## Alex P. Albright

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### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### EDUCATION

**Harvard University**, Cambridge, MA  
Ph.D. Student in Economics, Started Fall 2016

**Williams College**, Williamstown, MA  
B.A. *magna cum laude* Mathematics & Economics with Highest Honors, Minor in French, June 2014  
Senior Economics Honors Thesis: *An Investigation of Quality and Hype in the Market for Wine: A Panel SVAR Approach*

**Stuyvesant High School**, New York, NY  
Regents Diploma with Advanced Designation, June 2010

### HONORS AND AWARDS

**Graduate Fellowship**, Harvard University, 2016 - present  
**Christophe Baron Prize**, American Association of Wine Economists, 2016  
**Best Lightning Talk Presenter**, Oxford Internet Institute, 2015  
**Carl Van Dyne Prize in Economics**, Williams College, 2014  
**Phi Beta Kappa**, Williams College, 2014  
**Economics Department Class of 1960 Scholar**, Williams College, 2013 - 2014  
**John B. McDowell 1980 Scholarship**, Williams College, 2013 - 2014  
**Dr. Herbert Stein '35 Scholarship**, Williams College, 2012 - 2013  
**Dean's List**, Williams College, 2010 - 2014 (all semesters)  
**National Merit Finalist**, Stuyvesant High School, 2010  
**Gold Medalist**, New York City Math Fair, 2008

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Labor Economics, Behavioral Economics, Market Design

### ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

**Empirical Research Fellow**, Stanford Law School, July 2014 - July 2016  
*Worked with Professor John Donohue on projects at the intersection of law and economics, with a particular focus on the economics of crime*

**Class of 1957 Research Fellow**, Williams College Economics Department, Summer 2013  
*Worked with Professor Yong Suk Lee, researched education systems and intergenerational mobility*

**Economics Research Assistant**, Williams College Economics Department, Spring 2013  
*Worked with Professor Sarah Jacobson, researched preference discovery in decision-making under risk*

**Teaching Assistant**, Williams College Mathematics Department, Fall 2011 & Spring 2012  
*Provided teaching support to Professor Elizabeth Beazley and her Calculus I students*

### PUBLICATIONS

**A.P. Albright** and E. Pierson (2017). "We analyzed every 'Modern Love' column from the past 10 years. Here's what we learned about love." *Quartz*.

**A.P. Albright** and R. Mankoff (2015). “Which U.S. State Performs Best in the New Yorker Caption Contest?” *The New Yorker*.

**A.P. Albright** and S.M. Levine (2015). “One Size Does Not Fit All: The Shortcomings of the Mainstream Data Scientist Working for Social Good.” *Proceedings of the 1st Annual Bloomberg Data for Good Exchange (D4GX 2015)*. **Paper showcased at Strata+Hadoop.**

**A.P. Albright** (2014). “An Investigation of Quality and Hype in the Market for Wine: A Panel SVAR Approach.” Undergraduate Economics Honors Thesis, Williams College.

WORKS IN  
PROGRESS

“The Roles of Social Media and Expert Reviews in the Market for High-End Goods: An Example Using Bordeaux and California Wines” with Peter Pedroni and Stephen Sheppard. (Presented at AAWE 2016.)

“The Impact of Role Models in School Choice Behavior.”

“Making ‘The Gift of Life’ Salient: The Impact of Follow-Up Messages on Blood Donor Behavior.”

PRESENTATIONS

**Enterprise Applications of the R Language (EARL) Conference.** *Fueling FoRays with Curious Questions.* The Charles Hotel, November 3, 2017.

**10th Annual American Association of Wine Economists (AAWE) Conference.** *The Roles of Social Media and Expert Reviews in the Market for High-End Goods: An Example Using Bordeaux and California Wines.* Université de Bordeaux, June 23, 2016. **Received Christophe Baron Prize.**

**Strata+Hadoop World Conference.** *One Size Does Not Fit All: The Shortcomings of the Mainstream Data Scientist Working for Social Good.* Jacob K. Javits Convention Center, September 30, 2015.

**Bloomberg Data for Good Exchange (D4GX).** *One Size Does Not Fit All: The Shortcomings of the Mainstream Data Scientist Working for Social Good.* Bloomberg Global Headquarters, September 28, 2015.

**Oxford Connected Life Conference.** *Using an Online Wine Community to Investigate the Roles of Quality and Hype in the Market for Wine.* Balliol College, University of Oxford, June 4, 2015. **Received Award for Best Lightning Talk.**

**Senior Honors Economics Thesis Presentation.** *An Investigation of Quality and Hype in the Market for Wine: A Panel SVAR Approach.* Williams College Economics Department, May 20, 2014. **Received Highest Departmental Honors.**

**Senior Mathematics Colloquium.** *Benford’s Law: How It Turns Out that One is Not the Loneliest Number.* Williams College Mathematics Department, February 19, 2014.

ACADEMIC  
REFERENCES

**John J. Donohue III**

C. Wendell and Edith M. Carlsmith Professor of Law, Stanford Law School, Stanford University  
Donohue@law.stanford.edu

**Peter Pedroni**

Professor of Economics, Williams College Economics Department, Williams College  
Peter.L.Pedroni@williams.edu

**Stephen Sheppard**

Class of 2012 Professor of Economics, Williams College Economics Department, Williams College  
Stephen.C.Sheppard@williams.edu

ACADEMIC  
SERVICE

**INSPIRE Judge,** Massachusetts Institute of Technology, April 11, 2017.

**Peer Mentor**, Harvard Economics Department, September 2017 - present

**Social Committee Member**, Harvard Economics Department, September 2016 - present

**WiSTEM Mentor**, Harvard College Women's Center, September 2017 - present

SKILLS

**Computing Languages and Packages:** Highly proficient in R & Stata; exposure to Matlab, Python & SQL

**Other Computing Skills:** UNIX,  $\LaTeX$ , LyX, Github, Wordpress, MS Excel & Powerpoint, Adobe Photoshop

**Languages:** English (native), French (highly proficient)