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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2026-2027	BERRY COLLEGE <i>Campbell School of Business, Department of Economics and Data Analytics</i> <i>Assistant Professor of Economics</i>
2024-2025	CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA <i>Busch School of Business, Political Economy Area</i> <i>Adjunct Instructor</i>
2025	GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY <i>College of Humanities and Social Sciences, Department of Economics</i> <i>Graduate Lecturer</i>

EDUCATION

2022-2026	GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY <i>PhD Candidate, Economics</i> <i>Dissertation: Essays in the Economics of Child Care</i>
2022-2024	GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY <i>MA in Economics</i>
2018-2022	SAMFORD UNIVERSITY <i>BA in Economics</i> <i>BA in Public Administration</i>

RESEARCH

Publications

- Flowers, Anna Claire.** Forthcoming. "Institutional Stickiness through Subsidiarity: Germany's Childcare Guarantee," *Journal of Institutional Economics*.
- Piano, Clara E., and **Anna Claire Flowers.** 2026. "Three to Get Married? The Role of Religious Authorities in Marriage." In *Economics, Religion and Public Policy*. <https://www.worldscientific.com/doi/pdf/10.1142/14403-vol1#page=124>
- Flowers, Anna Claire.** 2025. "Regulation and Entrepreneurship in the U.S. Child Care Market" *Review of Austrian Economics*. <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11138-025-00693-3>
- Flowers, Anna Claire** and Christopher J. Coyne. 2025. "The Family and the Stable Peace" *Review of Austrian Economics*. <https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s11138-025-00675-5>
- Carden, Art and Murtazashvili, Ilia and **Flowers, Anna Claire.** 2025. "Socialism," *Elgar Encyclopedia of Public Choice*.

<https://www.elgaronline.com/display/book/9781802207750/9781802207750.xml?rskey=G7cD8Z&result=1>

Flowers, Anna Claire. 2024. Review of *Hannah's Children: The Women Defying the Birth Dearth*. *The Independent Review*, 29(1), <https://www.independent.org/publications/tir/article.asp?id=2007>.

Under Review

“Childcare Regulation and the Fertility Gap” with Vincent J. Geloso, Clara E. Piano, and Lyman R. Stone Revise and Resubmit at *Contemporary Economic Policy*

“The Socioeconomics of Nurture and Family Crisis Response: The Case of Incarceration” with Mikayla Novak at *Cosmos + Taxis*

“The Structure of Human Capital and Implications for Child Care Policy” at *Quarterly Journal of Austrian Economics*

CONFERENCES & ENRICHMENT

Presenter, 2025 Markets & Society Conference (October 2025, Falls Church, VA)

Scholarship Participant, Acton University (June 2025, Grand Rapids, MI)

Invited Presenter, United Nations Family Policy and Population Research Forum, Sponsored by the NGO Committee on the Family (April 2025, New York, NY) ([Link to video](#))

Presenter, 2025 Public Choice Society Meetings (March 2025, Louisville, KY)

Presenter, 2024 Southern Economic Association Meetings (November 2024, Washington, DC)

Participant, JOIE Symposium on Institutions, Institutional Change, and Women (October 2024, Falls Church, VA)

Presenter, 2024 Markets & Society Conference (October 2024, Falls Church, VA)

Volunteer, AEI Summer Honors Program course “Reopening the American Heart: Family and Marriage in the 21st Century” (June 2024, Washington, D.C.)

Presenter, 2024 Public Choice Society Meetings (March 2024, Plano, TX)

Presenter, 2023 Southern Economic Association Meetings (November 2023, New Orleans, LA)

Presenter, 2023 Markets & Society Conference (October 2023, Falls Church, VA)

Invited Participant, 2023 Great Stagnation Summit (July 2023, Cambridge, UK)

Invited Participant, 2023 Brickell Group Unconference (February 2023, Miami, FL)

Presenter, 2022 Association of Private Enterprise Education Meetings (April 2022, Las Vegas, NV)

FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

2022 - 2026	MERCATUS CENTER <i>PhD Fellow</i>
2022 - 2026	F.A. HAYEK PROGRAM FOR ADVANCED STUDY IN PHILOSOPHY, POLITICS, AND ECONOMICS <i>Graduate Fellow</i>
2025-2026	ADAM SMITH PROGRAM <i>Graduate Fellow</i>
2025-2026	ARCHBRIDGE INSTITUTE <i>Family Policy Fellow</i>
2023, 2024	MERCATUS CENTER <i>Summer Research Fellow</i>

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Guest Editor for special issue of *Cosmos + Taxis: The Family in a Self-Governing Society*

Reviewer for *Journal of Institutional Economics*, *Review of Austrian Economics*, *Journal of Entrepreneurship and Public Policy*, *Economic Modelling*

REFERENCES

Dr. Peter Boettke, George Mason University, pboettke@gmu.edu (Dissertation Chair)

Dr. Tyler Cowen, George Mason University, tcowen@gmu.edu

Dr. Catherine Pakaluk, The Catholic University of America, pakalukc@cua.edu