

ROWENA GRAY
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Current Positions

Assistant Professor, University of California, Merced, Economics, 2015-
Visiting Researcher, Russell Sage Foundation, New York City, Jan-Feb 2018
Research Affiliate, Queen's Centre for Economic History, Belfast, 2013-

Previous Positions

Visiting Scholar, Institute for International Integration Studies, Trinity College Dublin, 2014
Lecturer, University of Essex, 2011- 2013

Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of California at Davis, 2011
M.A. Economics, University of California at Davis, 2006
B.A. Economics and History, University of Dublin, Trinity College, 2004, *first class honors*

Research and Teaching Interests

Economic History, Labor Economics, Economics of Crime, Immigration, Housing

Publications

"Returns to Education in Criminal Organizations: Did Going to College Help Michael Corleone?" (with Nadia Campaniello and Giovanni Mastrobuoni) *Economics of Education Review*, Vol. 54 (October 2016): 242-258.

Media Attention: [Fortune Magazine](#), [Irish Times](#), [Times Higher Education](#), [Bloomberg Podcast](#)

"Geography is not Destiny. Geography, Institutions and Literacy in Pre-Industrial England" (with Gregory Clark) *Oxford Economic Papers*, Vol. 66, No. 4 (October 2014): 1042-1069.

"Taking Technology to Task: The Skill Content of Technological Change in Early Twentieth Century United States" *Explorations in Economic History*, Vol. 50, No. 3 (July 2013): 351-367.

Winner of the **Larry Neal Prize** for best article in *Explorations*, 2013-2014.

Working Papers

"Processing Immigration Shocks: Firm Responses on the Innovation Margin" (with Greg C. Wright and Giulia Montresor) *Submitted*

"Rents and Welfare in the Second Industrial Revolution: Evidence from New York City"

"The Age of Mass Migration: Historical Determinants at the Local Level" (with Gaia Narciso and Gaspare Tortorici)

Work in Progress

“Technological Revolutions and Occupational Change: Electrifying News from the Old Days” (with Paul Gaggl and Ioana Marinescu)

“Importing Crime? The Effect of Immigration on Crime in the United States, 1880-1930” (with Giovanni Peri)

“Moving on Up: Immigration and Native Occupational Mobility in the United States, 1870-1930” (with Siobhan O’Keefe, Sarah Quincy and Zachary Ward)

Book Chapters

“Energy in American Economic History” (with Carl Kitchens) in eds. Louis Cain, Price Fishback and Paul Rhode, *Oxford Handbook of American Economic History*, forthcoming, Oxford University Press.

Book Reviews

Gray, Rowena (2017) review of Robert Gordon, *The Rise and Fall of American Economic Growth* (Princeton, 2016) reviewed for *Journal of Economic History*, Vol. 77(3): 960-962.

Gray, Rowena (2012) review of Leo Panitch and Sam Gindin, *The Making of Global Capitalism: The Political Economy of American Empire* (Verso, London, 2012) reviewed for *Times Higher Education*.

Teaching

2018	Labor Economics, Money & Banking, <i>UC Merced</i>
2017	Labor Economics, Independent Study, <i>UC Merced</i>
2016	Independent Study (11 students), <i>UC Merced</i>
2015	Labor Economics; Independent Study (5 students), <i>UC Merced</i>
2014	Financial Institutions; Market Theory, <i>Queen’s University Belfast</i> Natural Experiments in History (PhD), <i>Trinity College Dublin</i>
2012 & 2013	Financial Innovations and Monetary Policy, <i>University of Essex</i>
2011 & 2013	International Trade Institutions and Policy, <i>University of Essex</i>
2009	American Economic History before the Civil War, <i>UC Davis</i>
2008	Principles of Macroeconomics, <i>California State University, East Bay</i>
2005-2009	Teaching Assistant, <i>UC Davis</i> : labor economics, economic development, American and world economic history, principles of economics

Recent Grants

Hellman Faculty Fellows Award (\$21,000), “Immigration, Crime and City Politics: Lessons from U.S. Urban History”, 2017-2018

UC Merced Senate Committee on Research Award (\$4,800), “Technological Revolutions and Occupational Change: Electrifying News from the Old Days”, 2017-2018

UC Merced Student Success Internship Program Mentor (\$4,000 to fund research intern), “Globalization and Labor Markets”, 2017-2018

UC Merced Senate Committee on Research Award (\$4,900), “Immigration and Crime: What Can be Learned from Historical Inflows?”, 2016-2017

UC Merced Student Success Internship Program Mentor (\$4,000 to fund research intern), “Historical Policing”, 2016-2017

UC Merced Senate Committee on Research Award (\$4,840), “Evaluating a Great Immigration: Chain Migration and its Influence on Rental Prices in New York City 1880-1910”, 2015-2016
UC Merced Student Success Internship Program Mentor (\$4,000 to fund research intern), “New York City Housing Market”, 2015-2016
Russell Sage Foundation Grant (\$22,712), “Adapting to Workplace Technological Change over the Long Run” (Co-Investigator with Miguel Morin, University of Cambridge), 2015-2016
British Academy Small Grant (£8671.50), “Occupational Change over Time: Evidence and Determinants using U.S. Linked Census Data”, Principal Investigator, 2013-2014
Principal Investigator, Economic and Social Research Council (UK) Seminars Funding (£17500), Grant ES/J021822/1, (with Chris Minns, LSE, and Alex Klein, Kent) to fund conference series “Economic Growth and Economic Performance over the Long Run”, 2012-2014
Economic History Association Cole Grant in Aid (\$3500), 2012, for NYC rents project

Other Honors and Awards

Ray Beaumont Award for Department Collegiality, UC Davis, 2010
Economic History Association Dissertation Fellowship, 2009-2010
Fulbright Award (Ireland), US Department of State, 2005-2010
European Science Foundation Exchange Grant (Globalizing Europe Economic History Network), Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, 2008
UC Davis and Humanities Research Award, 2007-2008
All-UC Economic History Group Summer Research Award, 2007
UC Davis Non-Resident Tuition Fellowship, 2006-2008
Scholar, Trinity College Dublin, 2002-2007
Editor, *Student Economic Review*, Trinity College Dublin, 2003
Team Member, Washington Ireland Program for Service and Leadership, 2003
Entrance Exhibitioner, Trinity College Dublin, 2000

Conferences/Presentations

2018: *Scheduled*: ASSA Cliometrics Association Session; World Economic History Congress (Boston)
2017: 8th World Congress of Cliometrics (Strasbourg); Trinity College Dublin; Colby College; Social Science History Association Meeting (Montreal); *Scheduled*: Dartmouth College
2016: UC Merced; UC Davis; NBER Summer Institute (Development of the American Economy); Trinity College Dublin; Social Science History Association Meeting
2015: CSU Fresno; Western Economic Association EHA & CSWEP Sessions; Economic History Association Annual Meeting
2014: Trinity College Dublin, BETA Workshop in Economic History, Economic and Business History Society Annual Meeting, Irish Society of New Economists, Long-Run Perspectives on Crime and Conflict (Belfast), University College Dublin, Queen’s University Belfast
2013: ASSA Economic History Association Session, EHS Annual Meeting, Queen’s University Belfast, UC Merced, European Historical Economics Society Meeting, University of Southern Denmark, Swedish Economic History Meeting, London School of Economics, University of Essex
2012: Groningen FRESH Meeting, Seoul National University, Tsinghua University, Royal Economics Society Women’s Committee Mentoring Meetings (University of York), University of Kent, TASKS 2 Conference Bonn

2011: Social Science History Association, University of Essex, European Historical Economics Society (Dublin), IIASA Vienna, Gothenburg FRESH Meeting, University of Waterloo, University of Adelaide, Monash University, Universitat de Barcelona, University of Warwick, University of Michigan, Dearborn
2010: Social Science History Association, Sacramento State University, All-UC Economic History Group Workshop, European Economic Association, NBER Summer Institute (poster), Society of Labor Economists, UC Davis, Canadian Economics Association, Irish Economics Association, Belfast FRESH Meeting
2009: Western Economic Association Vancouver, Oxford FRESH Meeting
2008: Economic History Society Graduate Workshop (Manchester), Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

Professional Service

All-UC Group in Economic History Conference Organizer: Housing Markets and Living Standards in Economic History, Tenaya Lodge, March 2017
Trinity College Dublin International Welcome Program Mentor, 2016-2017
Steering Committee, All-UC Group in Economic History, 2016-
Summer Grant Coordinator, All-UC Group in Economic History, 2016
Co-Organizer, Long-Run Perspectives on Crime and Conflict Group, 2014-
Co-Organizer, Frontier Research in Economic and Social History, 2011-
Editorial Board, *Scandinavian Economic History Review*, 2011-2014

Refereeing

American Economic Review, Economic Journal, Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Economic Development, Explorations in Economic History, European Review of Economic History, Scandinavian Economic History Review, European Journal of Comparative Economics, Riksbankens Jubileumsfond Grant

University Service

Undergraduate Chair, Economics, UC Merced, 2016-2018
Co-organizer, Women in Economics Taskforce, UC Merced, 2017
Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Math Mentor, UC Merced, 2017
Mariposa Merced Youth Impact Project Dinner with a Scientist for High-School Women, 2016
Faculty Volunteer, Innovation and Entrepreneurship Week, UC Merced, October 2016
Faculty Assessment Organizer, Economics, UC Merced, 2016-2017
Seminar Coordinator, Economics, UC Merced, 2016-2017
Economics Department Search Committee, UC Merced, 2015-2016, 2016-2017 & 2017-2018
Student Success Internship Program Mentor, UC Merced, 2015-2016 & 2016-2017
Continuing Lecturer Merit Review Committee, UC Merced, 2015
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Economics, UC Merced, 2015-2017
Fiat Lux Scholars Program Faculty Participant, UC Merced, 2015
Student Recruitment Coordinator, University of Essex, 2013
Deputy Undergraduate Student Liaison Coordinator, University of Essex, 2011-2013
Undergraduate Recruitment Assistant, University of Essex, 2011-2013
Deputy Careers Link Coordinator, University of Essex, 2012