

# Hugo Freeman

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Research area: Econometric theory

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Citizenship: Australian and British

Place of stay: Okemos, Michigan

Place of birth: Melbourne, Australia

Family status: Married, two children

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## Professional Positions

2024 Jan - Present      Assistant Professor, Michigan State University

2023 Aug - 2023 Dec    Instructor, Michigan State University

2013 - 2016              Data analyst (Digital Alchemy Sydney, Australia)

## Education

2018 - 2023              PhD in Economics, University College London

2017 - 2018              Master of Research (distinction) in Economics, University College London

2016 - 2017              Master of Science (distinction) in Economics, University College London

2008 - 2012              BA/MA in Economics, The University of Sydney

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## Awards and honors

2020 - 2023      CeMMaP PhD Scholar

2019 - 2023      European Research Council studentship

2022              Winner of IAAE Best Student Paper Prize

## Publications

1. Hugo Freeman and Martin Weidner. Linear panel regressions with two-way unobserved heterogeneity. *Journal of Econometrics*, 237(1):105498, 2023
2. Iván Fernández-Val, Hugo Freeman, and Martin Weidner. Low-rank approximations of nonseparable panel models. *The Econometrics Journal*, 24(2):C40–C77, 2021

## Working papers and Work in Progress

1. Hugo Freeman. Linear multidimensional regression with interactive fixed-effects. *arXiv preprint arXiv:2209.11691*, 2024 (winner of IAAE best student paper prize)
  2. Hugo Freeman and Dennis Kristensen. Inference on linear regressions with two-way unobserved heterogeneity
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## Teaching

Introduction to Econometrics (Undergraduate, MSU): 2024, 2025

Cross Section and Panel Data Econometrics II (Graduate second-year, MSU): 2024, 2025

Big Data Analytics (Teaching assistant, Masters, UCL): 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

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## Peer review assignments

Quantitative Economics, Journal of Econometrics, Econometric Reviews, Econometrics Journal, Journal of Business and Economics Statistics, Empirical Economics

## Professional Activities

### Advising committee

Jingyue Cui

### Seminar & Conference Organisation

MSU Econometrics Workshop October 2025 titled “Advances in Treatment Effect Econometrics”

MSU Econometrics Workshop October 2024 titled “Advances in High-Dimensional Inference”

## Conferences and seminars

- 2025 CEME Conference for Young Econometricians at NYU  
Econometric Society World Congress, Seoul  
International Association of Applied Econometrics, Turin  
Royal Economic Society meeting, Birmingham
- 2024 Econometrics Society Australasian Summer Meeting  
Boston College Seminar  
Econometric Society Interdisciplinary Frontiers AI/ML conference  
North American Summer Meeting Econometric Society  
Duke University class of 2022-2023 Microeconometrics conference
- 2023 Southern Economics Association annual meeting New Orleans  
Midwest Econometrics Group, Cleveland Fed  
Ohio State University Seminar  
Bristol econometrics study group  
Oxford workshop on Encounters in Econometric Theory  
University of Bristol  
University Pompeu Fabra  
Michigan State University  
University of Surrey  
Royal Holloway London  
Erasmus University, Rotterdam  
University of Queensland (online)  
University of Essex
- 2022 Philadelphia Fed Young Scholars Conference on Machine Learning  
European Winter Meeting of the Econometric Society  
Erasmus University Rotterdam International Econometrics PhD Conference  
Midwest Econometrics Group, Michigan State University  
Warwick quantitative solutions & networking series  
Bristol econometrics study group  
IAAE conference (winner of best student paper)  
International panel data conference  
Oxford workshop on panel data with discrete choice data
- 2021 Bristol econometrics study group  
International panel data conference
- 2019 Barcelona graduate school of economics summer school (poster)