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Editors' Notes

AWARDS AT THE 2025 ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION MEETINGS

The Economic History Association announced the 2025 prize winners at the Annual Meeting held in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

Shari Eli, University of Toronto, Joshua Hausman, University of Michigan, and Paul W. Rhode, University of Michigan, were awarded the *Arthur H. Cole Prize* for the outstanding article published in this JOURNAL in the September 2024 to June 2025 issues, for "The Model T" published in the March 2025 issue. The editorial board selected the winner.

Allison Green, Princeton University, received the *Allan Nevins Prize* for the Best Dissertation in U.S. or Canadian economic history, for her dissertation "The Good Place: How Networks, Preferences, and Public Policy Determine the Value of Where We Live," completed at Princeton University. Advisors: Leah Boustan and Ilyana Kuziemko. (This prize is awarded on behalf of Columbia University Press.)

Qiyi Zhao, Stanford University, received the *Alexander Gerschenkron Prize* for the Best Dissertation in non-U.S. or Canadian economic history, for her dissertation "Technology and Institutional Change in Sixteenth-Century Europe," completed at Stanford University. Advisors: Gavin Wright, Timothy Guinnane, Ran Abramitzky, and Jonathan Bendor.

Lee J. Alston, Indiana University, was awarded the annual *Jonathan Hughes Prize* honoring excellence in teaching economic history.

Claudia Goldin, Harvard University, was awarded the *Anne Bezanson Prize* for extraordinary lifetime contributions to the field of Economic History.

Maanik Nath, Utrecht University and Marvin Suesse, Trinity College Dublin, were awarded the *Lindert-Williamson Prize* for an outstanding book in Global, African, Asian, Australian, and/or South American Economic History. Maanik Nath was awarded for the book *Capital Shortage: Credit and Indian Economic Development, 1920–1960,* published by Cambridge University Press, and Marvin Suesse was awarded for the book *The Nationalist Dilemma: A Global History of Economic Nationalism, 1776–Present,* published by Cambridge University Press.

Guido Alfani, University of Bocconi, was awarded the *Gyorgy Ranki Prize* for an outstanding book on the Economic History of Europe. He was awarded for his book *As Gods Among Men: A History of the Rich in the West,* published by Princeton University Press.

Roy Bailey, University of Essex, was awarded the *Gallman-Parker Prize* for creating, compiling, and sharing data and information with scholars over the course of a career.

Tuan-Hwee Sng, National University of Singapore, was recognized for Excellence in Refereeing for the *Journal of Economic History.*

Laura Panza, The University of Melbourne, Middlebury College, was recognized for Exceptional Service to the *Journal of Economic History* Editorial Board.

Also announced was the *Larry Neal Prize* for the best article published in *Explorations in Economic History,* awarded to Gary Cox, Stanford University, and Valentin Figueroa, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile for the article "Agglomeration and Creativity in Early Modern Britain," published in the January 2025 issue.

Awarded for Excellence in Refereeing for *Explorations in Economic History* were Martin Fiszbien, Boston University, and Tuan-Hwee Sng, National University of Singapore.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ECONOMIC HISTORY ASSOCIATION ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI, 18–20 SEPTEMBER 2026

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Structure and Change in Economic History is the theme of the 2026 meeting. Many economists and historians have presented powerful arguments for the importance of institutions in shaping economic outcomes. Distributional considerations are often considered as paramount drivers of institutional change or stasis. Thanks to a rising tide of data, we have made much progress in studying structure—namely, measuring the causal impact of a very wide variety of policies and institutions. We have made far less progress in understanding institutional diffusion or in understanding the persistence of institutions that inflect aggregate welfare or inequality. In both cases, these are fundamentally endogenous processes. Our challenge as a discipline is how to bring to bear the methods of causal inference to the process of institutional change over the long term. Meeting this challenge forces us to consider how institutional change is shaped by history, the efforts of individuals and organizations, and economic shocks, including new technologies. We call for research that unites the analysis of which policies or institutions work best, and the circumstances of their adoption.

The Program Committee, chaired by Dan Bogart (University of California, Irvine), welcomes submissions on all subjects in economic history, though some preference will be given to papers that fit the theme of the conference. Papers should be submitted individually, but authors may suggest to the Committee that three particular papers fit well together in a panel. Papers should in all cases be works in progress rather than accepted or published work. Submitters should let the program committee know at the time of application if the paper they are proposing has already been submitted for publication. Individuals who presented or co-authored a paper given at the 2025 meeting are not eligible for inclusion in the 2026 program. To submit a paper, use the following URL: https://eh.net/2026-eha-meeting-proposal/. Paper proposals must include a 1,000-word proposal with a 150–word abstract suitable for publication in the *Journal of Economic History*. Paper URLs can be provided within the form above, but no attachments will be allowed. **Paper proposals should be submitted by 31 January 2026,** to ensure consideration. *Please note that at least one of the authors must be an active member of the EHA at the time of submission.* If you have difficulty with the form, please reach out to Jeremy Land at jeremy.land@helsinki.fi.

Graduate students are encouraged to attend the meeting. A poster session welcomes work from dissertations in progress. The poster submission system will open on or before 1 February 2026. Applications for the poster session are due no later than 15 April 2026, online on the meetings website. The dissertation session, convened by William Summerhill (UCLA) and Karen Clay (Carnegie Mellon University), will honor six dissertations completed during the 2025–2026 academic year. The submission deadline is 31 May 2026. The Allan Nevins and Alexander Gerschenkron prizes will be awarded to the best dissertations on North American and non-North American topics, respectively. To be eligible for the prizes, you must be a current EHA member at the time of submission. Dissertations should be submitted via the form at the following URL: https://eh.net/2026-dissertation-submissionform/. The form will also ask for 150-word abstract to be used for the program, if chosen as a finalist. For files above 10MB, the application form will include a space for a URL or link to download the full dissertation. All submissions will be acknowledged by return email.

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EHA GRANT AND FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

The Committee on Research in Economic History (CREH) of the Economic History Association is charged with administrating the Association's project of assisting young scholars as a way of strengthening the discipline of economic history. The CREH made three types of awards for 2025: fellowships to graduate students writing their dissertations; travel/data grants to graduate students in the early stage of research; and Arthur H. Cole Grants to recent PhDs.

Sokoloff Dissertation Fellowships

Pier Paolo Creanza of Princeton University for "Factories of Ideas? Big Business in the Golden Age of American Innovation." Advisor: Leah Boustan.
Myera Rashid of Northwestern University for "Essays on the Evolution of Women's Work." Advisor: Joel Mokyr.

EHA Dissertation Fellowships

Young Yun Choi of Georgia State University for "How Does Place Shape Disparities? The Long-Run Impact of Historical Residential Regulation on Racial Inequality in the U.S." Advisor: Alberto Chong.
Tamar Matiashvili of Stanford University for "The March of Progress: How Diversity Shapes Innovation." Advisor: Ran Abramitsky.
Thomas Storrs of University of Virginia for "Planning Goes South: Earle Draper, Architect of American Metropolitan Development." Advisor: Andrew Kahrl.

Cambridge University Press Dissertation Fellowship

Sara Benetti of University of British Columbia for "Immigrants and Historical Industrial Dynamics: Evidence from the Age of Mass Migration." Advisor: Nathan Nunn.

Cambridge University Press Early-Stage Dissertation Grants

Francesca Asja Trento of Rome Economics Doctorate for "Enduring Impacts: Forced Labor and the Post-War Lives of Italian POWs under Nazi Captivity." Advisor: Mounu Prem.
Franco Malpassi of Northwestern University for "Computer Adoption and the Evolution of Science." Advisor: Walker Hanlon.

EHA Early-Stage Dissertation Grants

Oliver Brufal of University of Groningen for "The Implications of Colonial Public Health: Evidence from India." Advisor: Jutta Bolt.
Pietro Buri of Princeton University for "Wheels of Change: The Impact of the Automobile in the 20th Century United States." Advisor: Leah Boustan.
Aleksei Epishev of University of Illinois, Chicago for "'We Need Them Desperately': 'Chinese Labor,' Global Capitalism and Imperial Modernity in the Russian Empire and Early USSR, 1880s–Late 1920s." Advisor: Marina Mogilner.

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Daniele Goffi of Brown University for "The Colonial State in Sub-Saharan Africa." Advisor: Stelios Michalopoulos.

Ignacio González-Correa of University of California, Merced for "Female Land Ownership and Agricultural Income in 19th-Century Chile." Advisor: Rowena Grey.

Paulina Kintzinger of Kiel Institute for the World Economy for "Nazi Business Elites and Firm Performance in Postwar Germany." Advisor: Christoph Trebesch.

Anh Nguyen of University of California, Los Angeles for "Direct Colonial Rule: Long-Term Economic Development in Vietnam." Advisor: Romain Wacziarg.

Christian Alexander Abildgaard Nielsen of University of Southern Denmark for "Elite Persistence in a Social Welfare State: Denmark, 1800–2024." Advisor: Gregory Clark.

Arthur H. Cole Grant in Aid for Post-Doctoral Research

Masahiro Kubo of Université Clermont Auvergne for "Regime Change and Cities: Evidence from the Meiji Restoration."

Carlo Medici of University of California, Los Angeles for "The Causes and Consequences of Labor Unions: Evidence from Early 20th-Century United States."

Tom Raster of London School of Economics and Political Science for "When do Elites Support Structural Transformation? Evidence from the Baltics."

Miriam Venturini of University of California, Riverside for "Reagan and the 1981 PATCO Strike: Union Decline and Its Causes."

The Association is grateful to the members of the CREH for their work in selecting the award winners. Sumner La Croix, University of Hawai'i chaired the committee. He was assisted by James Feigenbaum, Boston University; Carola Frydman, Northwestern University; Beverly Lemire, University of Alberta; Carol Shiue, University of Colorado Boulder; and Patrick Wallis, London School of Economic and Political Science.

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