

# Simon Margolin

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## Graduate Studies

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**Princeton University** 2019-present  
PhD Candidate in Economics  
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## References

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## Prior Education

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<b>Paris School of Economics</b> • M.A. in Economics	2015–2018
<b>HEC Paris</b> • M.A. in Management	2016–2018
<b>Sciences Po Paris</b> • M.A. in Public Policy	2014–2017
<b>Ecole Normale Supérieure (ENS) Paris-Saclay</b> • B.A. in Economics	2014–2015

## Fields

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**Primary** Macroeconomics, Public Finance  
**Secondary** Labor

## Job Market Paper

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["Micro vs. Macro Corporate Tax Incidence"](#) • 2024

*Abstract: This paper studies the unequal incidence of corporate taxes across firms and its implications for macroeconomic outcomes. I develop a dynamic Harberger model with heterogeneous firms and a monopsonistic labor market. I show that corporate tax cuts lead to stronger wage increases at capital-intensive firms, and that this heterogeneous effect, combined with equilibrium dynamics, creates a discrepancy between micro and macro estimates of their impact on workers' income and welfare. I validate the core firm-level mechanisms using French administrative employer-employee data and multiple tax reforms. I use the reduced-form estimates to discipline the model, and quantify the short vs. long run, and micro vs. macro consequences of corporate tax reforms. When firm heterogeneity and equilibrium dynamics are taken into account, workers bear a relatively small share of the aggregate corporate tax burden.*

## Working Papers

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["Unemployment Insurance and the Quality of Job Seekers"](#) • 2024

## Work in Progress

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1. "Firm-specific Human Capital and Labor Market Power" with Gianluca Violante and John Grigsby • 2024
2. "Corporate Bankruptcy as Worker Insurance" with Maxime Gravouelle and Thomas Zuber • 2024

## Research Experience

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- 2020 Research Assistant to Prof. Owen Zidar
- 2018 Research Assistant to Prof. Philippe Aghion
- 2017 Research Assistant to Prof. Réka Juhász, Prof. Mara Squicciarini and Prof. Nico Voigtländer
- 2016 Research Assistant to Prof. Sara Lowes, Prof. Eduardo Montero, Prof. Nathan Nunn and Prof. James Robinson

## Teaching

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- Princeton* ECO 311: Intermediate Macroeconomics: A Mathematical Approach (TA, Spring 2022, Spring 2023)
- ECO 301: Intermediate Macroeconomics (TA, Spring 2022, Spring 2024)

## Professional Activities

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### Presentations and Seminars (including scheduled)

London School of Economics Tax Seminar Series, Oxford University Centre for Business Taxation, IIPF conference, European University Institute, Leuven Summer Events, LISIT Conference, King's College, Collège de France

### Refereeing

*American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Journal of Public Economics*

## Honors, Scholarships, Fellowships, and Grants

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Griswold Center Graduate Student Fellowship, Princeton University	2023
Program for Research on Inequality Graduate Research Funding, Princeton University	2023
Princeton Institute for International and Regional Studies Graduate Research Grant	2023
Princeton Graduate Economics Fellowship	2019–2025
Normalien Fellowship, Ecole Normale Supérieure (Paris-Saclay)	2014–2018

## Languages

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French (native), English

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