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Curriculum Vita – *Abbreviated* – January, 2024

ADDRESS

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EDUCATION

Ph.D. 2002 Economics, University of California, Los Angeles
Major Fields: Environmental Economics and Energy Economics
Minor Field: Development Economics
M.A. 1998 Economics, University of California, Los Angeles
B.A. 1994 Economics (Honors), University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2019 - Full Professor of Economics, University of Missouri-St. Louis
2021 - 2022 Interim Chair, Department of Economics, University of Missouri-St. Louis
2010 - 2019 Associate Professor of Economics, University of Missouri-St. Louis
2004 - 2010 Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Missouri-St. Louis
2002 – 2004 Adjunct Professor, Montana State University, Bozeman
2001 – 2002 Post-doc, Political Economy Research Center, Bozeman
1998 - 2001 Research Assistant, University of California, Los Angeles
1997 – 2000 Teaching Assistant, University of California, Los Angeles

HONORS

2017 2016 Best Article Honorable Mention, *Contemporary Economic Policy*
2014 Nominated for inaugural UMSL Last Lecture
2012 Nominated for a University of Missouri-St. Louis Trailblazer Award
2007-2012 Three different research articles make Top Ten download list (in different categories) on the Social Science Research Network website.
2006 2006 Gerald and Deanne Gitner Excellence in Teaching Award
2005 “Rising Star” Nomination by Economics Department Chair Susan Feigenbaum, and University of Missouri, St. Louis Provost Glen Cope, for The Chronicle of Higher Education’s Annual Award
2001 Nonprofit Dissertation Fellowship, School of Public Policy and Social Research, University of California, Los Angeles
1999 Summer Research Mentorship Fellowship, University of California, Los Angeles
1998 – 1999 Full Academic Year Research Mentorship Fellowship, University of California, Los Angeles
1995 – 1996 Fulbright Fellowship, Gazi University, Ankara, Turkey
1990 Valedictorian of West Bloomfield High School, Michigan

PUBLICATIONS

Refereed Journal Articles:

Hamermesh, Daniel S., and L.R. Kosnik. 2024. "Why Do Older Scholars Slow Down?" *Economic Inquiry* 62(1):488-499.

Kosnik, L.R. 2023. "Additional Evidence on Gender and Language in Academic Economics Research." *Scientometrics* 128:5949-5968.

Bellas, Allen and L.R. Kosnik. 2023. "The Local and Aggregated Impacts of Stay-at-Home Orders on State Level Unemployment Outcomes." *Eastern Economic Journal* 49(2):142-155.

Kuminoff, Nicolai V., Katherine Ciaramello, Hanna M. Dooley, Martin Heintzelman, Neha Khanna, Lea-Rachel Kosnik, Lynne Lewis, and Eric Trimble. 2023. "New Evidence on Diversity in Environmental and Resource Economics." *Review of Environmental Economics and Policy* 17(1):178-187.

Kosnik, L.R. 2022. "Who Are the More Dismal Economists? Gender and Language in Academic Economics Research." *American Economic Review, AEA Papers and Proceedings*: 112:1-5.

Kosnik, L.R. and Allen Bellas. 2020. "Drivers of COVID-19 Stay at Home Orders: Epidemiologic, Economic, or Political Concerns?" *Economics of Disasters and Climate Change* 4(3):503-514.

Fogarty, B., Kimball, D.C., Kosnik, L.R. 2020. "The Media, Voter Fraud, and the U.S. the 2012 Elections." *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion and Parties* In Press.

Bellas, Allen, and L.R. Kosnik. 2020. "A Restrospective Benefit-Cost Analysis on the Elwha River Restoration Project." *Journal of Benefit Cost Analysis* 11(1):76-100.

Kosnik, L.R. 2018. "Cap-and-Trade versus Carbon Taxes: Which Market Mechanism Does the Public Favor?" *Climatic Change* 151(3):605-618.

Bellas, Allen and L.R. Kosnik. 2018. "Which Leading Journal Leads? Idea Diffusion in Economics Research Journals." *Empirical Economics* 57:901-921.

Kosnik, L.R. 2018. "JEL Codes – What Do They Mean and Are They Used Consistently?" *Journal of Economic Surveys* 32(1):249-272.

Kosnik, L.R. 2016. "In Tandem or Out of Sync? Academic Economics Research and Public Policy Measures." *Contemporary Economic Policy* 34(1):190-202.

Kosnik, L.R. 2015. "What Have Economists Been Doing for the Last 50 Years? A Text Analysis of Published Academic Research from 1960-2010." *Economics* 9:1-38.

- Kosnik, L.R. 2014. “Determinants of Contract Completeness: An Environmental Regulatory Application.” *International Review of Law and Economics* 37:198-208.
- Kosnik, L.R. 2012. “The Anticommons and the Environment” *The Journal of Environmental Management* 101:1-12.
- Kosnik, L.R. and Lange, I. 2011. “Contract Renegotiation and Rent Re-Distribution: Who Gets Raked Over the Coals?” *The Journal of Environmental Economics and Management* 62:155-165.
- Kosnik, L.R. 2010. “The Potential for Small-Scale Hydropower Development in the U.S.” *Energy Policy* 38(10):5512-5519.
- Kosnik, L.R. 2010. “River-Basin Water Management in the U.S.: A Regulatory Anticommons.” *Environmental & Energy Law & Policy Journal* 5(2):183-213.
- Kosnik, L.R. 2010. “Balancing Environmental Protection and Energy Production in the Federal Hydropower Licensing Process.” *Land Economics* 86(3):444-466.
- Kosnik, L.R. 2010. “Time to Pick a Fight? Interest Group Decision Making to Enter the Hydropower Regulatory Process.” *Eastern Economic Journal* 36(1):11-32.
- Kosnik, L.R. 2008. “The Potential of Water Power in the Fight Against Global Warming in the U.S.” *Energy Policy* 36(9):3252-3265.
- Kosnik, L.R. 2008. “Refusing to Budge: A Confirmatory Bias in Decision Making?” *Mind and Society* 7(2):193-214.
- Kosnik, L.R. 2008. “Consolidation & Ownership Trends of Nonfederal Hydropower Generating Assets, 1980-2003.” *Energy Economics* 30(3):715-731.
- Kosnik, L.R. 2006. “Sources of Bureaucratic Delay: A Case Study of FERC Dam Relicensing.” *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization* 22(1):258-288.

Other Professional Publications:

- Hamermesh, Daniel, and L.R. Kosnik. 2023. “Economists Growing Old.” *VOX/CEPR Frontiers of Economic Research Column*.
- Hamermesh, Daniel S., and L.R. Kosnik. 2023. “Why Do Older Scholars Slow Down?” *NBER Working Paper Series*.
- Hamermesh, Daniel S. and L.R. Kosnik. 2023. “Aging in Style: Does How We Write Matter?” *IZA Working Paper Series*.

Kosnik, L.R. 2009. "Letter: Regarding Voting for Charity's Sake." *The Economists' Voice* 6(3):Article 4.

Kosnik, L.R. 2007. "The Greening of Higher Education." *Association of Environmental and Resource Economists Newsletter* 27(2):22-25.

Meiners, R.E. and Kosnik, L.R. 2003. "Restoring Harmony in the Klamath Basin." *PERC Policy Series* 27:1-28.

Anderson, T.L. and Kosnik, L.R. 2002. "Sustainable Skepticism and Sustainable Development." *Case Western Reserve Law Review* 53(2):439-48.

Yandle, B., Morriss, A.P. and Kosnik, L.R. 2002. *Regulating Air Quality Through Litigation: The Diesel Engine Episode* Bozeman: PERC.

Yandle, B., Morriss, A.P. and Kosnik, L.R. 2002. "Regulation by Litigation: The Diesel Engine Episode." *PERC Policy Series* 25:1-27.

Books and Book Chapters:

Kosnik, L. (Associate Editor). 2014. *Environmental and Natural Resource Economics: An Encyclopedia*, eds. by Tim Haab and John Whitehead. ABC-CLIO: Santa Barbara, California.

Kosnik, L.R. 2014. "Energy – Alternative Sources." Entry In: *Environmental and Natural Resource Economics: An Encyclopedia*. ABC-CLIO: Santa Barbara, California.

Kosnik, L.R. 2014. "Elinor Ostrom." Entry In: *Environmental and Natural Resource Economics: An Encyclopedia*. ABC-CLIO: Santa Barbara, California.

Journal Articles Under Review:

Kosnik, L.R. 2024. "Picking Up the PACE: An Estimate of the Environmental Benefits to 'Set the PACE' Projects in St. Louis." *Under Review*.

Bellas, Allen, and L.R. Kosnik. 2024. "When Is the Ark Getting Here? The Impact of the Media on Threatened and Endangered Species' Time-to-Listing." *Revise and Resubmit*.

Hamermesh, Daniel S., and L.R. Kosnik. 2024. "Aging in Style: Seniority and Sentiment in Scholarly Writing." *Southern Economic Journal* *Revise and Resubmit*.

WORKING PAPERS

Haab, Tim, L.R. Kosnik, and John Whitehead. 2024. “What Do Environmental and Resource Economists Think? An Update.” (15 pages.)

Kosnik, L.R. and Dan Hamermesh. 2024. “Nobel Prize Winners: Differences in Style.” (15 pgs.)

Kosnik, L.R. 2024. “Small-Scale Hydropower, An Update: Production, Potential, and Global Environmental Justice Implications.” (15 pages.)

Kosnik, L.R. 2024. “The Cat and His Hat: A Contingent Valuation on the Value of a Statistical Cat Life.” (3 pages.)

Karig, M., Kosnik, L.R., Nayak, S., and Douglas Smith. 2022. “Assessing Residential Customer Satisfaction for Large Electric Utilities.” (25 pages.).

Bellas, Allen, and L.R. Kosnik. 2021. “COVID-19 Extension.” Working Paper. (5 pgs.)

Kosnik, L.R. 2021. “Gender and Network Analysis in the Literature.” Working Paper. (5 pgs.)

Kosnik, L.R. 2018. “RGGI Auction Prices and Tone.” Working Paper. (7 pgs.)

Kosnik, L.R. 2018. “Extended Producer Responsibility Laws by State.” Working Paper. (8 pgs.)

Kosnik, L.R., and Collingwood, L. 2013. “Automated Text Classification of Legal Contracts Using Supervised Learning Methods.” Working Paper. (9 pgs.)

Kosnik, L.R., Jamison, M. and Kury, T. 2012. “Quantifying the Effects of Carbon Dioxide Emissions Limits on the Electricity Market in China.” Working Paper. (6 pgs.)

Kosnik, L.R. 2010. “The National Security Benefit to Domestic Energy Production.” Working Paper.

Kosnik, L.R. 2007. “Hydropower: A Comparative Regulatory Analysis of the U.S., New Zealand, and China.” Working Paper.

Kosnik, L.R. 2004. “An Aggregation Effect in Behavioral Decision-Making.” Working Paper (30 pgs.)

POPULAR PRESS PUBLICATIONS

Kosnik, L.R. January 22, 2008. “Hydro Doesn’t Have to Be Big.” *Miller McCune Web Magazine* <http://miller-mccune.com/main/article/142>.

Kosnik, L.R. January 23, 2008. "Reducing the Big Problem of Climate Change by Adding Little Hydroelectric Plants." *Miller McCune Web Magazine* <http://miller-mccune.com/main/article/143>.

Kosnik, L.R. January 24, 2008. "Big Hydro is Dead! Long Live Big Hydro!" *Miller McCune Web Magazine* <http://miller-mccune.com/main/article/142>.

INTERVIEWS/WRITE-UPS

Interviews given for: *The Economist Magazine, LA Times, The Wall Street Journal, The Christian Science Monitor, KWMU St. Louis Public Radio-NPR, St. Louis Post-Dispatch, St. Louis on the Air, KDHX Radio, HEC-TV, KMOX/CBS St. Louis News, St. Louis Federal Reserve Bank Podcast Series, KFRU News Talk Radio, The Allman Report, The Current, UMSL Daily, Jewish Light, Ethical Corporation, E&E News, Alternatives Economiques, Investor's Business Daily, The TribuneStar, Business First, Scientific American, Missouri Business Alert, High Country News, Deutsche Welle-Berlin, Missouri Information Corps.*

COURSES TAUGHT

Graduate: Graduate Microeconomics, Microeconomics for Public Policy, Microeconomics for DBA Majors, Natural Resource Economics, Environmental Economics, Cost-Benefit Analysis, Public Choice, Behavioral Economics, Independent Study

Undergraduate: Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Econometrics, Public Finance, Natural Resource Economics, Environmental Economics, Industrial Organization, Cost-Benefit Analysis, Behavioral Economics, Independent Study

CONFERENCE, SEMINAR & SYMPOSIUM PRESENTATIONS

Midwest Economic Association (MEA) Annual Conference – 2024, 2023, 2022, 2019, 2018, 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2011, 2010, 2009, 2008, 2007, 2005

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor – 2023

Southern Economic Association (SEA) Annual Conference – 2023, 2013, 2011, 2009, 2007

Midwest Economics Research Group (MERG) Virtual Seminar Series – 2023, 2020

American Economic Association (AEA) Annual Conference – 2022, 2018, 2016, 2012, 2010, 2008, 2007, 2006

Illinois Economics Association Annual Conference, Keynote Address – 2022

Durham University, UK, Business School – 2021

Metropolitan State University, College of Management - 2020

The Workshop in Environmental Economics and Data Science (TWEEDS) - 2019

Oklahoma State University, Department of Agricultural Economics – 2017.

Heartland Environmental and Resource Economics (HERE) Workshop at Illinois, Urbana-Champaign – 2018, 2016, 2010, 2006
 Western Economic Association International's (WEAI) Annual Conference - 2009
 Eastern Economic Association (EEA) Annual Conference - 2009
 Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE) Annual Summer Conference – 2013
 World Congress of Environmental and Resource Economists – 2010, 2002
 International Industrial Organization Conference - 2006
 Missouri Valley Economic Association Annual Conference – 2010, 2008
 Missouri Energy Summit - 2009
 Missouri Economics Conference – 2006, 2005
 Climate Change, Water, and Adaptive Law Symposium, Houston, Texas - 2010
 The Universities Council on Water Resources/The National Institutes for Water Resources Annual Conference - 2005
 Triangle Resource and Environmental Economics Seminar (joint with Duke University, NC State, and RTI International) - 2012
 Washington University in Saint Louis, Energy & Environment Leadership Workshop - 2012
 Washington University in Saint Louis, McDonnell Academy Global Energy and Environment Partnership (MAGEEP) Seminar - 2011
 University of Washington, College of the Environment - 2012
 The University of Missouri-Columbia, Department of Economics - 2005
 University of Missouri-St. Louis, College of Business Administration – 2014, 2010, 2009
 University of Missouri-St. Louis, Department of Economics – 2013
 Indiana State University, Department of Economics - 2013
 The University of Kansas, Department of Economics - 2012
 Illinois State University, Department of Economics - 2010
 The University of Strathclyde, Scotland, Department of Economics - 2009
 The University of Stirling, Scotland, Department of Economics – 2009

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES (select)

Member of AERE Board, 2024-2026.
 Chair, AERE Graduate Student Engagement Committee, 2024-2025.
 Member of AERE Committee on Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. 2020-2023.
 Board Member of the Transportation and Public Utilities Group (TPUG). 2021, 2020, 2019.
 Member of AERE Officer Nominating Committee. 2018.
 Past-president and Board Member of the Transportation and Public Utilities Group (TPUG). 2018.
 President of the Transportation and Public Utilities Group (TPUG). 2017.
 President-Elect of the Transportation and Public Utilities Group (TPUG). 2016.

Midwest Representative for the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists (AERE). 2013-present.

Editorial Board Member of *Economies*. 2015-present.

Dispute Resolution Panel Member, for Federal Hydropower Dam Relicenses. 2005-present.
Selected by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of the U.S. Government.

Journal Reviewer: *American Economic Review*, *Journal of Law, Economics, and Organization*; *Journal of Law and Economics*; *The Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*; *The Review of Economics and Statistics*; *Energy Economics*; *Land Economics*; *Contemporary Economic Policy*; *Journal of Environmental Management*; *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*; *Journal of Water Resources Planning and Management*; *Journal of Energy Engineering*; *International Journal of Energy Engineering*; *Energy Policy*; *Energies*; *Current Alternative Energy*; *Economies*; *Risk Analysis*; *Mercatus Center Publications*; *Academia Letters*; *Society and Natural Resources*; *Sustainability*; *Journal of Power and Energy Engineering*; *Journal of Energy Research and Reviews*; *One Earth*; *Cogent Economics & Finance*; *ISKO Encyclopedia of Knowledge*; *International Journal of Environmental and Sustainable Development*; *Economic Journal*; *Climatic Change*; *Scientometrics*; *Economics of Disasters and Climate Change*

Outside Reviewer: Tenure and Promotion Committees, various years from 2011-2023, at: University of Michigan-Dearborn, Oklahoma State University, Missouri University of Science and Technology, Washington College, Occidental College, Gulf University for Science & Technology, Northern Illinois University.

AERE Sessions Coordinator for MEA Meetings. 2013 – present - on avg. ten sessions accepted.
TPUG Sessions Coordinator for the AEA Meetings. 2016-2017 – two sessions each meeting.
Co-organizer of the AERE Sessions for the 2013 SEA Meetings – eight sessions accepted.
Planning Board Member for the 2023 ASHEcon Meeting. 2022-2023.

Invited speaker, International Relations Lecture Series, The Ethical Society of St. Louis. 2023.
Keynote speaker, Illinois Economics Association Annual Conference. 2022.

Whitney R. Harris World Ecology Center, Executive Committee Member. 2019-ongoing.
Interim Chair, Department of Economics, University of Missouri-St. Louis. 2021-2022.
UMSL DBA Program. 2019-2021. Guest Lecturer.

Beta-test software reviewer for Provalis Research text analytics software. December 2013-present.

Founding Faculty Advisor, UMSL Hillel. 2015-2023.

Panelist, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis. Invited Speaker. 2021, 2019, 2018.

Panelist, Missouri Chapter of the Sierra Club. May 2017. Invited Speaker.

Keynote speaker for the 42nd anniversary dinner of the Missouri Coalition for the Environment. November 2011. Invited Speaker.

Lecture for the 2010 Whitney and Anna Harris Conservation Forum. November 2010. Invited Speaker.

Lecture for the Midwest Energy and Climate Policy Conference. June 2010. Invited Speaker.

Director, UMSL Component of UM-System Energy Policy Certificate. 2014-2021.

Women in Economics Club at UMSL, Faculty Founder & Advisor. 2014-2021.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Economic Association
Association of Environmental and Resource Economists
Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession
Eastern Economic Association
Midwest Economics Association
Midwest Transitional Justice Network
Missouri Valley Economics Association
Southern Economic Association
Society for the Advancement of Behavioral Economics
Transportation and Public Utilities Group