

# Erik Eisenmenger Peinert

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## Appointments

- 2024- **Boston University, Department of Political Science**  
Assistant Professor
- 2022-2024 **American Economic Liberties Project**  
Research Manager and Editor
- 2022-2023 **Brown University, Watson Institute for International and Public Affairs**  
Visiting Scholar
- 2020-2022 Postdoctoral Research Associate
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## Education

- 2020 **Brown University**  
Ph.D., Political Science  
Comprehensive Exams: Comparative Politics (distinction) and International Relations  
Committee: Mark Blyth (chair), Richard Locke, Nitsan Chorev (sociology)
- 2016 **Brown University**  
M.A., Political Science
- 2011 **University of California at Berkeley**  
B.A., Political Science (Highest Honors)  
Distinction in General Scholarship  
Intensive Russian Language Program at International University in Moscow (Fall 2009)
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## Affiliations

- 2025-Present American Economic Liberties Project, Senior Fellow
- 2024-Present Boston University Center for Innovation in Social Science, Affiliate
- 2021-2022 Johns Hopkins School for Advanced International Studies, Visiting Scholar
- May 2019 Max Planck Institute for European Legal History, Dialogue Scholarship
- Fall 2018 Sciences Po Centre d'études européenne et de politique comparée, Visiting Researcher
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## Book

- 2025 *Monopoly Politics: Competition and Learning in the Evolution of Policy Regimes*, Oxford University Press.
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## Peer-Reviewed Publications

- 2026 “Strong Intellectual Property and Weak Antitrust: How the End of Vertical Restraints Fissured the US Political Economy,” *Socio-Economic Review*, DOI: 10.1093/ser/mwag012. (with Herman Mark Schwartz)
- 2023 “Monopoly Politics: Price Competition, Learning, and the Evolution of Policy Regimes,” *World Politics* 75(3), 566-607, DOI: 10.1353/wp.2023.a900713
- 2021 “Cartels, competition, and coalitions: the domestic drivers of international orders.” *Review of International Political Economy* 28:6, 1652-1676, DOI: 10.1080/09692290.2020.1788971.
- 2018 “Periodizing, Paths, and Probabilities: Why Critical Junctures and Path Dependence Produce Causal Confusion.” *Review of International Political Economy* 25(1): 122-143, DOI: 10.1080/09692290.2017.1387586.
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## Edited Volumes

- 2022 “Antitrust, Free Trade, and Fissuring” in *The Cambridge Handbook of Labor in Competition Law*, edited by Sanjukta Paul, Shae McCrystal, and Ewan McGaughey.
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## Other Writing

- 2025 “The New Railroad Barons: Why the Union Pacific/Norfolk Southern Railroad Merger Must Be Blocked” (with Ashley Nowicki), American Economic Liberties Project.
- 2025 “Economic Concentration and Its Dual Threats to Democracy,” Promarket.
- 2025 “The Staying Power of the Antimonopoly Movement,” LPE Blog.
- 2024 “Reshoring and Restoring: CHIPS Implementation for a Competitive Semiconductor Industry” (with Todd Achilles and Daniel Rangel), American Economic Liberties Project.
- 2023 “A policy win for Biden that would help us all breathe easier” (with Morgan Harper), The Hill.
- 2023 “Guidelines to Match the Moment,” Promarket.
- 2023 “Intellectual Property and the Fissured Economy,” *American Affairs* 7(2): 13-22.
- 2023 “Break the Monopolies!,” Persuasion.
- 2023 “Saving the News from Big Tech: The Journalism Competition and Preservation Act,” American Economic Liberties Project.
- 2022 “The Roll-Up Economy: The Business of Consolidating Industries with Serial Acquisitions,” (with Denise Hearn, Krista Brown, and Taylor Sekhon), American Economic Liberties Project.
- 2022 “‘Digital Trade’ Doublespeak: Big Tech’s Hijack of Trade Lingo to Attack Anti-Monopoly and Competition Policies,” (with Daniel Rangel, Taylor Buck, and Lori Wallach), Rethink Trade.
- 2022 “Canada’s Online News Act is Good for Journalism,” National Post.
- 2022 “The Needless Desertion of Robinson-Patman” (with Katherine Van Dyck), Promarket.
- 2022 “The Economics of Reaction,” LPE Blog.
- 2022 “Mergers and Smoking Guns,” Promarket.
- 2022 “Inflation, Corporate Power, and the Forgotten New Deal,” Promarket.
- 2021 Review of Brett Christophers’ *Rentier Capitalism: Who Owns the Economy, and Who Pays for It?*, *Antipode*.
- 2020 “Coordination Rights Beyond Nation States,” LPE Blog.
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## Work in Progress

“International Banking Crises and Authoritarian Sovereign Default” (working paper)

“Archives, Historiography, and Inference in Political Science” (working paper)

“Narratives of Inflation and the Politics of Responsibility,” (in preparation, with Melike Arslan)

“A Third Industrial Divide: Growth Models, Technological Paradigms, and the Return of Mass Production Politics” (in preparation)

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## Awards and Fellowships

2021-2023      Economic Security Project, Anti-Monopoly Fund Grant (\$30,000)

2018-2020      Department of Political Science Dissertation Fellowship, Brown University

2014-2016 &    Brown University Presidential Fellowship  
2017-2018

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## Conference Presentations

American Political Science Association (APSA): 2020, 2021, 2024

Council for European Studies (CES): 2019, 2021

International Studies Association (ISA): 2025, 2026

Midwest Political Science Association (MPSA): 2019, 2021

Society for the Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE): 2019, 2020, 2021

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## Invited Talks

2026              Rhodes Center for International Finance, Brown University, Providence, RI

2026              Johns Hopkins SAIS, Washington, DC

2026              Berkeley Economy and Society Initiative, Berkeley, CA

2022              East Coast American Political Economy Workshop, Washington, DC.

2018              EHESS Political Economy Workshop, Paris, France.

2018              Balsillie School Global Political Economy Dissertation Workshop, Waterloo, Canada.

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## Teaching

### **Boston University**

Monopoly! (spring 2026)

Introduction to Comparative Politics (2025 x 2)

International Political Economy (2024, 2025)

Comparative Political Economy (2025)

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## Training and Skills

Methods Training	2016 Inter-university Consortium for Political and Social Research (ICPSR) 2017 Institute for Qualitative and Mixed-Methods Research (IQMR)
Languages	French (C2-ish), German (A2)
Software	Stata, R, L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X

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## Academic Service and Support

Reviewer for *British Journal of Political Science*, *International Relations*, *Journal of Elections, Public Opinion & Parties*, *Journal of Evolutionary Political Economy*, *Journal of Law and Political Economy*, *Regulation & Governance*, *Review of International Political Economy*, and *World Politics*.

2021	Co-organizer, “Disorganized Labor Meets the Franchise Economy” Virtual Workshop at Rhodes Center for International Finance, Brown University
2019-2020	Editor, Society for Advancement of Socio-Economics (SASE) Newsletter
2014 - 2015	Coordinator for Brown Graduate Comparative Politics Research Workshop

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## References

References available upon request

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