

# Vincent J. Geloso

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## OVERVIEW

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Assistant professor of economics at George Mason University, specializing in economic history (with a particular focus on Canada and the United States) with more than 50 publications since PhD in 2016. H-Index of 10 (as of August 2020).

## APPOINTMENTS

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**Assistant Professor of Economics** 2021–Today  
*George Mason University*

**Assistant Professor of Economics** 2019–2021  
*King's University College*

**Visiting Professor of Economics** 2018–2019  
*Bates College*

**Postdoctoral Fellow** 2016–2018  
*Texas Tech University*

## EDUCATION

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**PhD** 2016

*London School of Economics and Political Science*

[“The seeds of divergence: the economy of French North America, 1688 to 1760”](#)

Thesis advisor: Chris Minns (LSE) / Stephen Broadberry (University of Oxford)

Prizes: Best presentation by a graduate student (Economic and Business History Society - 2015) and runner-up for the Nevins Prize for best dissertation in North American Economic History (Economic History Association - 2017)

**MSc** 2010

*London School of Economics*

With Merit.

Academic/Research advisors: Albrecht Ritschl (LSE)

**BSc** 2009

*Université de Montréal*

## PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PAPERS [statistics]

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62. [V. Geloso](#), K. Hyde and I. Murtazashvili , “[Pandemics, Economic Freedom, and Institutional Trade-Offs](#)”, *European Journal of Law and Economics* **NA**, NA (2021).
61. B. Cutsinger, [V. Geloso](#) and M. Bédard , “[The Wild Card: Colonial Paper Money in French North America, 1685 to 1719](#)”, *European Economic History Review* **NA**, NA (2021).
60. P. Desrochers, [V. Geloso](#) and J. Szurmak, “[Care to Wager Again? An Appraisal of Paul Ehrlich’s Counterbet Offer to Julian Simon, Part 1: Outcomes](#)”, *Social Science Quarterly* **NA**, NA (2021).
59. P. Desrochers, [V. Geloso](#) and J. Szurmak, “[Care to Wager Again? An Appraisal of Paul Ehrlich’s Counterbet Offer to Julian Simon, Part 2: Critical Analysis](#)”, *Social Science Quarterly* **NA**, NA (2021).
58. [V. Geloso](#) and I. Murtazashvili , “[Can Governments Deal With Pandemics?](#)”, *Cosmos + Taxis: Studies in Emergent Order and Organization* **NA**, NA (2021).
57. R. Candela and [V. Geloso](#), “[Economic Freedom, Pandemics and Robust Political Economy](#)”, *Southern Economic Journal* **NA**, NA (Forthcoming).
56. [V. Geloso](#) and R. March, “[Rent-Seeking for Madness: The Political Economy of Mental Institutionalization in America, 1870 to 1910](#)”, *Public Choice* **NA**, NA (Forthcoming).
55. R. Candela and [V. Geloso](#) , “[Trade or Raid: Acadian Settlers and Native Indians Before 1755](#)”, *Public Choice* **NA**, NA (Forthcoming).
54. V. Kufenko and [V. Geloso](#), “[Who are the champions? Olympics, Inequality and Institutions](#)”, *Journal of Institutional Economics* **NA**, NA (Forthcoming).
53. [V. Geloso](#) and J. Glock, “[The New History of Capitalism and the Methodology of Economic History](#)”, *Essays in Economic and Business History* **NA**, NA (Forthcoming).
52. F. Garmon, [V. Geloso](#) and P. Magness, “[Divided Government and the Bias Against Presidential Restraint](#)”, *Social Science Journal* **NA**, NA (Forthcoming).
51. [V. Geloso](#) and J.B. Pavlik, “[Economic freedom and the economic consequences of the 1918 pandemic](#)”, *Contemporary Economic Policy* **NA**, NA (Forthcoming).
50. [V. Geloso](#) and J.B. Pavlik, “[The Cuban Revolution and Infant Mortality: A Synthetic Control Approach](#)”, *Explorations in Economic History* **NA**, NA (Forthcoming).
49. [V. Geloso](#) and P. Leeson, “[Are Anarcho-Capitalists Insane? Living Standards Under Medieval Icelandic Conflict Institutions](#)”, *Revue d’économie politique* **NA**, NA (Forthcoming).
48. A. Arsenault Morin [V. Geloso](#), “[Multilingualism and the Decline of the French Language](#)”, *Journal of Multilingual and Multicultural Development* **41**, 5:420-431 (2020).
47. J. Land and [V. Geloso](#), “[Colonial Military Garrisons as Labor Market Shocks: Quebec City and Boston, 1760-1775](#)”, *Social Science Quarterly* **NA**, NA (Forthcoming).
46. [V. Geloso](#) and P. Lindert, “[Relative Costs of Living, for Richer and Poorer, 1688–1914](#)”, *Cliometrica* **14**, 3:417-442 (2020).

45. [V. Geloso](#) and M. Hinton, “[Improving deflators for estimating Canadian economic growth, 1870–1900](#)”, *Research in Economic History* **36**, 125-150 (2020).
44. [V. Geloso](#), G. Berdine and B. Powell, “[Making sense of dictatorships and health outcomes](#)”, *British Medical Journal: Global Health* **5**, 5:1-4 (2020).
43. R. March [V. Geloso](#), “[Gordon Tullock Meets Phineas Gage: The Political Economy of Lobotomies in the United States](#)”, *Research Policy* **49**, 1 (2020).
42. [V. Geloso](#) and A. Salter, “[State Capacity and Economic Development: Causal Mechanism or Correlative Filter?](#)”, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization* **170**, Feb: 372-385 (2020).
41. [V. Geloso](#) and G. Macera, “[How Poor Were Quebec and Canada During the 1840s?](#)”, *Social Science Quarterly* **101**, 2:792-810 (2020).
40. V. Kufenko, K. Prettnner and [V. Geloso](#), “[Divergence, convergence, and the history-augmented Solow model](#)”, *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics* **53**, 62-76 (2020).
39. R. Candela and [V. Geloso](#), “[Coase and Transaction Costs Reconsidered: The Case of the Nore Lightship](#)”, *European Journal of Law and Economics* **48**, 3:331-349 (2020).
38. [V. Geloso](#) and P. Magness, “[The Great Overestimation: Tax Data and Inequality Measurements in the United States, 1913–1943](#)”, *Economic Inquiry* **58**, 2:834-855 (2020).
37. [V. Geloso](#), “[Collusion and Combines in Canada, 1880-1890](#)”, *Scandinavian Economic History Review* **68**, 1:66-84 (2020).
36. [V. Geloso](#), “[Predation, Seigniorial Tenure and Development in French Colonial America](#)”, *Social Science History* **NA**, NA (2020).
35. [V. Geloso](#) and V. Kufenko, “[Markets for Rebellions? The Rebellions of 1837–38 in Lower Canada](#)”, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization* **166**, October: 263-287 (2019).
34. R. Candela and [V. Geloso](#), “[Why consider the lighthouse a public good?](#)”, *International Review of Law and Economics* **60**, December (2019).
33. [V. Geloso](#), “[A Price Index for Canada, 1688–1850](#)”, *Canadian Journal of Economics* **52**, 2: 526–560 (2019).
32. P. Magness, A. Carden and [V. Geloso](#), “[James M. Buchanan and the Political Economy of Desegregation](#)”, *Southern Economic Journal* **85**, 3: 715-741 (2019).
31. [V. Geloso](#), “[Distinct within North America: living standards in French Canada, 1688—1775](#)”, *Cliometrica* **13**, 2:277–321 (2019).
30. [V. Geloso](#), “[Measuring Away the Importance of Institutions: The Case of Seigniorial Tenure and Agricultural Output in Canada East, 1851](#)”, *Social Science Quarterly* **100**, 3: 897–910 (2019).
29. V. Ivanovic, V. Kufenko, B. Begovic, N. Stanisic and [V. Geloso](#), “[Continuity Under a Different Name: The Outcome of Privatisation in Serbia](#)”, *New Political Economy* **24**, 2: 159-180 (2019).
28. [V. Geloso](#) and P. Magness, “[Social Justice, Public Goods and Rent-Seeking in Narratives?](#)”, *Independent Review* **24**, 1:37–48 (2019).

27. [V. Geloso](#), “[Inequality, \(Transaction\) Costs & Choice](#)”, *Cosmos + Taxis: Studies in Emergent Order and Organization* **6**, 5: 15–19 (2019).
26. [V. Geloso](#) and R. Candela, “[The Lighthouse Debate and the Dynamics of Interventionism](#)”, *Review of Austrian Economics* **NA**, NA (2018).
25. R. Candela and [V. Geloso](#), “[The Lightship in Economics](#)”, *Public Choice* **176**, 3-4:479-506 (2018). (Winner of the Gordon Tullock award for best article in *Public Choice*)
24. [V. Geloso](#) and Y. Msaid, “[Adjusting Inequalities for Regional Price Parities: Importance and Implications](#)”, *Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy* **48**, 4: 1–8 (2018).
23. [V. Geloso](#), V. Kufenko and K. Prettner, “[Does size matter? Implications of household size for economic growth and convergence](#)”, *Scottish Journal of Political Economy* **65**, 4: 437–443 (2018).
22. G. Berdine, [V. Geloso](#) and B. Powell, “[Cuban Infant Mortality and Longevity: Health Care or Repression?](#)”, *Health Policy & Planning* **33**, 6: 755–757 (2018).
21. G. Berdine, [V. Geloso](#) and B. Powell, “[Cuban Infant Mortality and Longevity: Health Care or Repression?: A Reply](#)”, *Health Policy & Planning* **33**, 6: 764–765 (2018).
20. [V. Geloso](#), “[Seeds of Divergence: The Economy of French North America](#)”, *Journal of Economic History* **78**, 2: 579–583 (2018).
19. [V. Geloso](#) and M. Bédard, “[Was Economic Growth Likely in Lower Canada?](#)”, *Journal of Private Enterprise* **33**, 3: 69–91 (2018).
18. P. Desrochers, [V. Geloso](#) and A. Moreau, “[Supply management and household poverty in Canada](#)”, *International Review of Economics* **65**, 2: 231–240 (2018).
17. [V. Geloso](#) and G. Belzile, “[Electricity Before Nationalization in Quebec, 1919 to 1939](#)”, *Atlantic Economic Journal* **46**, 1: 101–119 (2018).
16. [V. Geloso](#), “[The Fall and Rise of Inequality: Disaggregating Narratives](#)”, *Advances in Austrian Economics* **23**, : 161–175 (2018).
15. [V. Geloso](#), “[Were Wages That Low? Real Wages in the Strasbourg Regions Before 1775](#)”, *Journal of Interdisciplinary History* **48**, 4: 511–522 (2018).
14. A. Arsenault Morin, [V. Geloso](#) and V. Kufenko, “[The Heights of French-Canadian Convicts, 1780s to 1820s](#)”, *Economics & Human Biology* **36**, 126–136 (2017).
13. [V. Geloso](#), M. Hinton and V. Kufenko, “[The equally “bad” French and English farmers of Quebec: New TFP measures from the 1831 census](#)”, *Historical Methods* **50**, 3:170–189 (2017).
12. [V. Geloso](#) and S. Horwitz, “[Inequality: First, do no harm](#)”, *Independent Review* **22**, 1:121–134 (2017).
11. [V. Geloso](#) and V. Kufenko, “[The Demand for ‘Guard Labour’ : Another Explanation](#)”, *Economic Affairs* **37**, 3:137-381 (2017).
10. [V. Geloso](#), “[The Turnover-Reducing Effects of the Minimum Wage may Harm the Economy](#)”, *Economic Affairs* **36**, 3:318–325 (2016).

9. [V. Geloso](#) and A. Lacombe, “Why was flour of poor quality? The impact of Seigneurial laws and price controls on flour in Quebec”, *Agricultural History Review* **64**, 2:181–195 (2016).
8. [V. Geloso](#), V. Kufenko and K. Prettnner, “Demographic Factors in Regional Convergence in Canada”, *Economics Bulletin* **36**, 4:1904–1910 (2016).
7. [V. Geloso](#), “Lynne Pierson Doti and the Economic History of Unregulated Money and Banking”, *Journal of Business & Management* **22**, 2:51–58 (2016).
6. [V. Geloso](#), “Inequality, Capital and Many Other Things in the 21st Century (and Before)”, *Essays in Economic and Business History* **34**, 1–21 (2016).
5. [V. Geloso](#) and V. Kufenko, “Malthusian pressures: Empirical evidence from a frontier economy”, *Journal of Population Research* **32**, 3:263–283 (2015).
4. [V. Geloso](#), “Toleration of Catholics in Quebec and British Public Finances, 1760 to 1775”, *Essays in Economic and Business History* **33**, 51–81 (2015).
3. [V. Geloso](#), “Deirdre McCloskey, Kirznerian Growth and The Role of Social Networks”, *Economic Affairs* **35**, 3:453–463 (2015).
2. [V. Geloso](#), “Ticket scalping as a means of managing risk”, *Economic Affairs* **34**, 3:335–339 (2014).
1. [V. Geloso](#), “Intercity-City Bus Services in Canada – Time for Deregulation”, *Economic Affairs* **32**, 1:38–42 (2012).

## BOOK CHAPTERS

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- [V. Geloso](#), “How Strong is the Relationship Between Inequality and Growth?”, *The Costs of Slow Economic Growth* (Fraser Institute, 2019), S. Globerman, ed.
- [V. Geloso](#), “British Public Debt, the Acadian Expulsion and the American Revolution”, *Public Choice Analyses of American Economic History* (Springer, 2018), J. Hall & M. Witcher, eds.
- [V. Geloso](#), “The Craft of the Economic Historian”, *An Economist’s Guide to Economic History* (Palgrave Macmillan, 2019), M. Blum and C. Colvin, eds.
- [V. Geloso](#), “Government and the Economic History of American Income Inequality”, *Income Inequality* (Routledge, 2021), S. Miller & G.P. Manish, eds.
- [V. Geloso](#), “Douglass North, Shipping Productivity and Institutions”, *A Companion to Douglass North* (UFM Press, 2021), A. Marroquin & N. Wenzel, eds.
- R. Candela [V. Geloso](#) “Market Theory and the Lighthouse System”, *A Companion to Israel Kirzner* (UFM Press, 2021), M. Zelaya, ed.
- [V. Geloso](#), “Hayek and Economic History”, *A Companion to Friedrich Hayek* (UFM Press, 2021), R.Candela ed.

## BOOK REVIEWS

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- [Persecution and toleration: the long road to religious freedom](#) by Mark Koyama and Noel Johnson (Cambridge University Press), Reviewed for *Public Choice* (2019).
- [The Poverty of Slavery: How Unfree Labor Pollutes the Economy](#) by Robert E. Wright (Palgrave MacMillan), Reviewed for *EH.Net* (2018).
- [Why Did We Choose to Industrialize? Montreal, 1819–1849](#) by Robert CH Sweeny (McGill-Queen’s University Press), Reviewed for *Canadian Historical Review* (2017).

## BOOKS

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- [V. Geloso, Rethinking Canadian Economic Growth and Development since 1900: The Quebec Case](#), (Palgrave McMillan, 2017).
- [V. Geloso, Du Grand Rattrapage au Déclin Tranquille: une histoire économique et sociale du Québec de 1900 à nos jours](#), (Accent Grave, 2013).

## ARTICLES WITH REQUESTS FOR REVISIONS

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- [V. Geloso, P. Magness, J. Moore, P. Schlosser “How Pronounced is the U-Curve? Revisiting Income Inequality in the United States, 1917-1945”](#), Revise and resubmit to *Economic Journal* (revisions submitted).
- [E. Khaustova, V. Kufenko and V. Geloso “A Narrow Escape? Malthusian Pressures in the Late Imperial Moscow”](#), revise and resubmit to *Explorations in Economic History*.
- [G. Belzile, R. Candela and V. Geloso “Regulatory Capture and the Dynamics of Interventionism: The Case of Power Utilities in Quebec and Ontario to 1940 ”](#), revise and resubmit to *Public Choice*.
- [V. Geloso and K. Grier “Did Separatism Hurt Quebec’s Economy? The Causal Effects of the Election of the Parti Québécois in 1976”](#), revise and resubmit to *European Journal of Political Economy* (revisions submitted).
- [V. Geloso “Dynamics of Interventionism and Economic Development in Quebec before 1854”](#), Revise and resubmit for a special issue (revisions submitted).
- [J. Dean and V. Geloso “Wage Gap of Francophones in Quebec, 1901 to 1951”](#), revise and resubmit to *Cliometrica* (revisions submitted).

## ARTICLES IN CONSIDERATION

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- [J.Gagnon, V. Geloso and M. Isabelle “The Incubated Revolution: Education, Cohort Effects, and the Linguistic Wage Gap in Quebec, 1970 to 2000”](#), submitted to *American Economic Journal: Economic Policy*.
- [V. Geloso, V. Kufenko and A. Arsenault Morin “The Lesser Shades of Labor Coercion: The Impact of Seigneurial Tenure in Nineteenth Century Quebec”](#), submitted to *Journal of the European Economic Association*.

- M. Pedersen, [V. Geloso](#) and P. Sharp “[Globalization and Empire: Market Integration and International Trade Between Canada, the United States and Britain from 1750 to 1870](#)”, submitted to *Economic History Review*.
- J. Callais and [V. Geloso](#) “[The Political Economy of Lighthouses in Antebellum America.](#)”, submitted to *Journal of Law and Economics*.
- [V. Geloso](#) and G. Mathy “[Monetary Famine, Paper Money and International Constraints on Economic Growth: The Case of Colonial Quebec.](#)”, submitted to *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization*.
- J. Dean and [V. Geloso](#) “[Economic Freedom Improves Income Mobility: Evidence from Canadian Provinces, 1982–2018.](#)”, submitted to *Public Choice*.

## **WORKING PAPERS**

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- [V. Geloso](#) and L. Rouanet “[Ethnogenesis and Statelessness](#)”
- [V. Geloso](#) “[Economic Growth in Quebec during the Colonial Era and International Comparisons](#)”, Presented at the Economic History Society Meetings, March 2016.
- [V. Geloso](#) and M. Makovi “[State Capacity and the Post Office: Evidence from 19th Century Quebec](#)”.
- [V. Geloso](#), P. Leeson and Nicolas Snow “[Filthy pigs: an economic theory of the origins of the pig taboo](#)”, Submitted for presentation at the Mercatus Centre.
- C. Pender and [V. Geloso](#) “[Canadian Output Volatility Revisited](#)”, Accepted for Presentation at the 2020 Southern Economic Association Conference.
- A. Arsenault Morin, [V. Geloso](#) and V. Kufenko “[Infant Mortality and the Role of Seigniorial Tenure in Canada East, 1851](#)”.
- J. Eloranta [V. Geloso](#) and V. Kufenko “[Crowding-Out at Sea: Shipping Productivity and the Burden of the British Navy, 1760 to 1860](#)”, Presented at the Economic and Business History Society Meetings in May 2017.

## **DISTINCTIONS AND ACADEMIC POSTS**

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- Associate editor (2019-2022), *Essays in Economic and Business History*
- Winner (with Rosolino Candela) of the Society for the Development of Austrian Economics’ Prize for the Best Article in Austrian Economics (winning article: “[The Lightship in Economics](#)”)
- Winner (with Rosolino Candela) of the Gordon Tullock Award granted by the Public Choice Society for best article published in *Public Choice* by young scholars (winning article: “[The Lightship in Economics](#)”)
- Finalist (with Steve Horwitz) of the Excellence Award granted by Independent Institute for best article in symposium issue published in the *Independent Review* (article: “[Inequality: First, do no harm](#)”)

- Finalist for the Allan Nevins Award for best dissertation in North American economic history by the Economic History Association
- Senior fellow, Fraser Institute (since 2018)
- Editorial board member (2017-2023), *Essays in Economic and Business History*
- Program Chair, 2017 Conference, Economic and Business History Society (EBHS)
- Trustee (2015-2022), Economic and Business History Society (EBHS)
- Recipient of the Lynne Doti award for best presentation by a graduate student at the Economic and Business History Society Meeting (2015)
- Recipient of a scholarship from the London School of Economics for graduate students
- Recipient of Humane Studies Scholarships granted by the Institute for Humane Studies in 2011-2014
- Recipient of a Mobility Grant from the Quebec Ministry of International Relations in 2008

## **REFeree EXPERIENCE**

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*Essays in Economic and Business History* (5), *Journal of Development Economics*, *Journal of Regional Analysis & Policy*, *Business History*, *International Review of Economics*, *Cliometrica* (5), *Journal of Private Enterprise* (4), *Historical Methods* (2), *Supreme Court Economic Review*, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization* (6), *Economic Affairs* (2), Palgrave MacMillan (book proposal), *Journal of Institutional Economics* (4), University of Chicago Press (book proposal), *Political Analysis*, *Journal of the Gilded Age and Progressive Era*, *British Medical Journal: Global Health*, *Health Policy & Planning*, *Journal of Iberian and Latin American Economic History*, *European Review of Economic History* (2), *Structural Change and Economic Dynamics* (8), *Economic Inquiry* (2), *American Political Science Review* (2), *Scientometrics*, *Economic History Review* (2), *Economics and Human Biology*, *Health Economics* (2), *Economic Journal*, *Independent Review* (2), *Southern Economic Journal*, *European Journal of Law and Economics*, *Contemporary Economic Policy*, Anthem Press (book proposal), *Public Choice* (2), *Explorations in Economic History*, *Journal of Business Venturing*, *American Journal of Economics: Economic Policy*, *Actualité économique*, *Revue d'économie politique*, *Journal of Sports Economics*

## **CLASSES TAUGHT**

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Economic History of North America Until 1914 (Bates College, 1x, King's University College 2x), Global Economic History (King's University College 1x) Senior Capstone in Economics (Bates College, 1x), Introductory Macroeconomics (Bates College and HEC Montreal, 6x), Introductory Microeconomics (HEC Montreal, 1x, King's University College 3x), Economic Topics for MBA (HEC Montreal, 1x), Comparative Perspectives on Business Organisations (HEC Montreal, 12x), Intermediate microeconomic theory (King's University College), Introduction to Econometrics (Honours) (King's University College), Intermediate Econometric Theory (King's University College), Development Economics (King's University College 1x).



## **EXPERT TESTIMONY AND REPORTS**

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- Expert report on immigrant-investor programs presented by co-author to the Quebec National Assembly (August 2019)
- Expert testimony to the Quebec National Assembly on taxi regulation (April 2019)
- Expert testimony to the Quebec Department of Finances in pre-budget consultations (January 2019)
- Expert for the Quebec Superior Court on adjusting thresholds for court cases since 1867 (2018-2020).
- Expert testimony to the Quebec National Assembly on taxi regulation (February 2016)
- Expert testimony to the Quebec National Assembly of book retail pricing regulations (August 2013)
- Expert testimony to the Canadian Senate on energy regulation (November 2010)
- More than 150 opinion articles in newspapers such as the *Financial Post*, *Vancouver Sun*, *Toronto Star*, *Globe and Mail*, *La Presse*, *Le Devoir*, *Le Soleil*, *Le Journal de Montréal*, *The National Post*, *The Ottawa Citizen*, *Montreal Gazette*, *La Tribune*, *Huffington Post Canada*, *Huffington Post Québec* and the *Calgary Sun* since 2010.

## **REFERENCES**

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- Stephen Broadberry (Oxford University) / [stephen.broadberry@economics.ox.ac.uk](mailto:stephen.broadberry@economics.ox.ac.uk)
- Jeffrey Williamson (Harvard University) / [jwilliam@fas.harvard.edu](mailto:jwilliam@fas.harvard.edu)
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## **CITIZENSHIP AND LANGUAGE SKILLS**

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- Citizenship : Canadian
- Languages: Fluent in French (native) and English (native) (francophone mother, anglophone father)