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EMPLOYMENT	San Diego State University - Dept. of Economics Associate Professor Assistant Professor	2022 - Present 2015 - 2022
EDUCATION	University of California, Santa Barbara Ph.D., Economics University of Colorado, Boulder B.A., International Affairs, Economics <i>Magna Cum Laude</i>	2015 2006
PUBLICATIONS	<p>Abman, R. Jenkins, H. and Lundberg, C. (2026). The limits of cross-border environmental policies: Trade diversion as leakage, <i>Journal of Environmental Economics and Management</i>, Forthcoming.</p> <p>Abman, R., Edwards, E., & Hernandez-Cortez, D. (2025) Water, Dust, and Environmental Justice: The Case of Agricultural Water Diversions. <i>American Journal of Agricultural Economics</i>, Vol 107, Issue 4, 1041-1058</p> <p>Abman, R., Lundberg, C. & Ruta, M. (2024). The Effectiveness of Environmental Provisions in Regional Trade Agreements. <i>Journal of the European Economic Association</i>, Vol 22, Issue 6, 2507-2548.</p> <p>Abman, R. & Lundberg, C. (2024). Contracting, market access and deforestation. <i>Journal of Development Economics</i>. Vol 168.</p> <p>Abman, R. & Lonbgrake, G. (2023). Resource development and governance declines: The case of the Chad-Cameroon petroleum pipeline. <i>Energy Economics</i>, Vol 117.</p> <p>Lundberg, C. & Abman, R. (2022). Maize price volatility and deforestation. <i>American Journal of Agricultural Economics</i>. Vol 104, Issue 2, 693-716</p> <p>Abman, R. & Foad, H. (2022) Border walls and crime: Evidence from the Secure Fence Act. <i>Eastern Economic Journal</i>. Vol 48, Issue 2, 167 - 197</p> <p>Abman, R., & Carney, C. (2020). Agricultural productivity and deforestation: Evidence from input subsidies and ethnic favoritism in Malawi. <i>Journal of Environmental Economics and Management</i>, Vol 103.</p> <p>Abman, R., & Carney, C. (2020). Land rights, agricultural productivity, and deforestation. <i>Food Policy</i>, Vol 94.</p> <p>Abman, R. & Lundberg, C. (2020). Does Free Trade Increase Deforestation? The</p>	

Effects of Regional Trade Agreements. *Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists*, Vol. 7, No. 1, pp. 35 - 72.

Abman, R. (2018). Rule of Law and Avoided Deforestation from Protected Areas. *Ecological Economics*, Vol. 146, pp. 282 —289.

Stone-Gross, B., Abman, R., Kemmerer, R. A., Kruegel, C., Steigerwald, D. G., & Vigna, G. (2013). The Underground Economy of Fake Antivirus Software. In *Economics of Information Security and Privacy III*, pp. 55-78. Springer New York.

WORKING PAPERS Child Labor Standards in Regional Trade Agreements: Theory and Evidence (with Clark Lundberg, Michele Ruta, and John McLaren) - **Revisions requested at *The Review of Economics and Statistics***

Agricultural productivity and deforestation (with Teevrat Garg, Yao Pan, and Saurabh Singhal)

Trade, Emissions, and Environmental Spillovers: Issue linkages in Regional Trade Agreements (with Clark Lundberg and Dan Szmurlo)

Electoral accountability, blacklisting and deforestation in the Brazilian Amazon

INVITED PRESENTATIONS (INCLUDES SCHEDULED) 2026 - University of Bonn (ILR)
2025 - Paris School of Economics, CIRED, Toulouse School of Economics, Center for Environmental Economics at Montpellier
2022 - Triangle Resource and Environmental Economics (TREE) Seminar series
2021 - World Bank - Trade and Climate Change Webinar Series, West Virginia University - Division of Resource Economics and Management, UCSD Environmental Economics Lunch, California Polytechnic State University
2020 - University of British Columbia - Environmental Economics Lunch Seminar
2018 - San Diego State University - Biology Department
2017 - California State University - Long Beach
2016 - Utah State University
2015 - CIDE (Mexico City and Aguascalientes), San Diego State University, University of Queensland, Utah State University, California State University - Fullerton

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (INCLUDES SCHEDULED) 2026 - Land Use Policies for Climate Change Workshop (Cland Convergence Institute - Paris), Trade and the Environment workshop (INRAE - Paris), Forest and People Summer Institute (Aussois)
2025 - AERE Summer Meetings (Santa Fe), EAERE Summer Meetings (Bergen), European Economic Association Meetings (Bordeaux)
2024 - CU Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop (Vail), Western Economic Association International - AERE Session (Seattle)
2023 - CESifo Conference for Energy and Climate (Berlin), Southern California Conference in Applied Microeconomics (Claremont), AERE Summer Meetings (Portland, Maine), Western Economic Association International - AERE Session

(San Diego)

2022 - Western Economic Association International - AERE Session (Portland)

2021 - NBER Environmental and Energy Economics (EEE) Spring meetings, Oxford Centre for the Study of African Economies [CSAE] Economic development in Africa (held virtually)

2020 - North East Universities Development Consortium [NEUDC] (held virtually), AERE Annual Meetings (held virtually), Western Economic Association International - AERE Session (held virtually)

2019 - 5th Annual Environmental Politics and Governance Workshop (UCSB)

2018 - Workshop on Vietnam Access to Rural Households survey (UNU-WIDER), Western Economic Association International - AERE Session (Vancouver)

2017 - Pacific Conference for Development Economics (UC Riverside)

2016 - Western Economic Association International Annual Meetings (Portland), Southern Economic Association - AERE Session (D.C.)

2015 - Occasional Workshop in Environmental and Resource Economics (UCSB)

2014 - CU Environmental and Resource Economics Workshop (Vail, CO), Summer School in Political Economy (GSE, Barcelona)

2013 - Western Economic Association International Conference (Seattle), AERE Annual Meetings (Banff, Canada), PERC Graduate Student Workshop (Bozeman, MT)

TEACHING

Primary Instructor - Natural Resource Economics, Econometric Theory (Masters), Applied Econometric Methods (Masters), Stata lab (Masters), Environmental Economics, Economics of Climate Change (SDSU Honors College)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee - American Journal of Agricultural Economics, American Journal of Tropical Medicine & Hygiene, Environmental and Resource Economics, International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists, Journal of the European Economic Association, Land Economics, Natural Resources Forum, Review of Development Economics, Review of Economics of the Household, World Development

Mentoring - 2024-2025: Mentor for [AERE Scholars program](#)

AWARDS, GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

International Growth Centre (LSE) - Co PD with Clark Lundberg 2025 - 2026
Forest Resources and the Clean Energy Transition: Barriers and Benefits to LPG Adoption £29,302

USDA NIFA Grant - Co PD with Clark Lundberg 2023-2027
Trade Policy and the International Market for Agricultural Land \$799,923

Most influential faculty Award - Economics 2023 & 2024

Lone Mountain Fellow - Property and the Environment Research Center 2022

Critical Thinking Grant (SDSU) Spring 2024, Fall 2021, & Fall 2019

Center for Health Economics and Policy Studies Research Fellow 2019

