

Matthew H. Jensen
Curriculum Vitae

CONTACT



PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

America First Policy Institute

Director, Office for Fiscal and Regulatory Analysis, 2024-Present

Open Research Group, Inc.

Principal, Co-Founder and Member, Board of Directors, 2017-Present

American Enterprise Institute

Founding Director, Open Source Policy Center, 2013-2022

Research Associate, 2011-2013

Research Assistant, 2010-2011

International Monetary Fund

Expert, Mission to China on tax policy modeling, 2020-2021

Compute Studio

Project Co-Creator & Company President & Chairman, 2018-Present

U.S. Chamber Foundation

Fellow, 2012-2013

Morgan Stanley

Intern, 2009

Whitebox Advisors

Intern, 2008 and 2010

Ongoing Volunteer and Advisory Roles

Healing Warriors of NJ

Member, Board of Directors, 2023-Present

Central Baptist Church, Atlantic Highlands, N.J.

Missions and Evangelism Committee Member, 2023-Present

PolicyEngine

Member of the Advisory Board

Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center

Synthetic Data and Validation Server Projects

Member of the Advisory Board

Tax-Calculator

Co-Creator, 2013-Present

Policy Simulation Library

Co-Creator & Member, Leadership Council, 2019-Present

EDUCATION

Pomona College, B.A. Math, 2010

SELECT POLICY PROJECTS AND ASSOCIATED WORK

Transparent Policy Analysis

Open Source Projects Organized & Co-organized

[Border Adjustment Calculator](#)

Model to simulate the effects of a border adjustment on a representative firm.

[Compute Studio](#)

A platform for hosting computational models for large public userbases.

[CPS-Transfer Augmentation Model](#)

Model to adjust the Current Population Survey to account for under-reporting of welfare and transfer program benefits.

[OG-USA](#)

Large-scale overlapping generations model for evaluating tax and spending policy in the US

[Cost-of-Capital-Calculator](#)

Model for evaluating the effect of US federal taxes on business' investment incentives

[Federal-State Tax Project](#)

Model for assessing the impact of federal tax policy on the 50 states.

[Oil and Gas Lease Sales](#)

Model for federal revenue impacts of oil and gas leasing on offshore and onshore lands.

[ParamTools](#)

Library for parameter processing with a focus on computational modeling projects.

Models using ParamTools can build Compute-Studio apps with little extra effort.

[Synpuf](#)

Model to develop synthetic versions of the IRS Public Use File.

[Policy Simulation Library](#)

Collection of models and other software for public-policy decisionmaking developed by independent projects that meet standards for transparency and accessibility.

[Tax-Brain](#)

Integrator model for open source tax models in the Policy Simulation Library's USA Tax Collection as a Python API and web application.

[Tax-Calculator](#)

Microsimulation model to calculate USA federal individual income and payroll taxes.

[Tax-Calculator: Behavioral-Responses](#)

Microsimulation model to integrate with Tax-Calculator for performing partial equilibrium revenue estimates.

[Tax-Calculator: Tax-Cruncher](#)

Model that integrates with Tax-Calculator for individuals and households to assess the impact of tax policy reforms on their own finances.

[TaxData](#)

Model to prepare a nationally-representative dataset for federal tax policy analysis that is integrated with Tax-Calculator and other models.

[Taxes-Investment-Growth](#)

Model to evaluate the effect of US federal corporate and other business taxes on investment incentives.

[U.S. Government Information Losses in the 2020s](#)

Dataset of notable leaks, hacks, and other breaches.

[Weighting](#)

Package containing functions for weighting, reweighting, and constructing geographic weights for microdata.

Related Articles, Commentary & Multimedia

["Introducing the Open Source Policy Center."](#) *AEIdeas*, April 2016

["Is it time to crowd-source policy analysis?"](#) *AEIdeas*, April 2016

["Broaden the base – a tax reform visualizer."](#) (with Alex Brill) *AEIdeas*, August 2016

["Good news and bad news for tax policy nerds."](#) *AEIdeas*, November 2016

[“Tax reform requires transparency.”](#) (with Cody Kallen and Aparna Mathur) *US News and World Report*, December 2016

[“If Budget scoring agencies were open.”](#) *AEI Multimedia*, May 2017

[“Budget scoring agencies: closed source vs. open source.”](#) *AEI Multimedia*, May 2017

[“Reform CBO and JCT for policy creativity.”](#) *AEIdeas*, May 2017

[“How Congress could mandate official budget scorekeepers to release their models alongside estimates.”](#) *AEI Multimedia*, July 2017

[“CBO and JCT staff would maintain control of open source models.”](#) *AEI Multimedia*, July 2017

[“Now is the time to reform CBO.”](#) *AEIdeas*, July 2017

[“Limitations of closed scoring.”](#) *AEI Multimedia*, July 2017

[“Open government: Why transparency matters for public policy analysis.”](#) *In 60 seconds*, July 2017

[“Congress’s skillful approach to Congressional Budget Office reform”](#) *AEI Multimedia*, October 2017

[“Transparency for Congress’s Scorekeepers.”](#) *National Affairs*, January 2018

[“Scorekeeper oversight hearings: Transparency and bandwidth constraints at CBO.”](#) *AEIdeas*, February 2018

[“Introduction to Tax-Cruncher”](#) (with Peter Metz) *AEI Reports*, January 2020

Fiscal Reform & Fiscal Federalism

Related Articles, Book Chapters, Working Papers & Commentary

[“IRS data liabilities, budget costs, and the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022.”](#) OFRA Fiscal Risk Analysis, July 2024

[“The Tax Cuts and Jobs Act reduced tax itemization complexity and improved data security across all 50 states.”](#) OFRA Local Impact Table, July 2024

[“Keeping federal data secure.”](#) *National Affairs*, Spring 2024

[“IRS noncompliance with disclosure reporting undermines information security.”](#) *Tax Notes Federal*, July 2023

[“A warning note from Discord.”](#) *National Review*, April 2023

["The government is failing to guard Americans' personal information."](#) *National Review Capital Matters*, April 2023

["How raising the SALT cap would affect taxpayers in different states, part I."](#) (with Donald Boyd) *AEIdeas*, November, 2021

["How raising the SALT cap would affect taxpayers in different states, part II."](#) (with Donald J. Boyd) *AEIdeas*, November, 2021

["Repealing the SALT cap: State-by-state impacts."](#) (with Donald J. Boyd) *Tax Notes States "Editor's Choice" Special Report*, October 2021

["Repealing the SALT cap: State-by-state impacts."](#) (with Donald J. Boyd) *AEI & SUNY Rockefeller College Report*, September 2021

["Here's how much the COVID-19 stimulus will cost you."](#) (with Kevin A. Hassett) *National Review*, May 2021

["Exploring a budget-neutral UBI."](#) (with Peter Metz) *AEIdeas*, January 2020

["Analyzing the link between corporate taxes, investment, and GDP."](#) (with Cody Kallen and Aparna Mathur) *AEIdeas*, October 2017

["A budget-neutral universal basic income."](#) (with Will Ensor, Anderson Frailey, and Amy Xu) *AEI Working Paper*, May 2017

["More options for taxing pass-through firms \(an update\)."](#) *AEIdeas*, September 2016

["More options for taxing pass-through firms."](#) *AEIdeas*, September 2016

["How many households will Trump take off the tax rolls."](#) *AEIdeas*, September 2016

["What if Trump takes more ideas from the House."](#) *AEIdeas*, August 2016

["Digging deeper into the Trump tax plans' revenue hole."](#) *AEIdeas*, August 2016

["Trump's new tax brackets aren't a magic bullet for cost savings."](#) *AEIdeas*, August 2016

["A new strategy for corporate tax reform."](#) *RealClearMarkets*, June 2014

["An honest accounting of the Corporate Income Tax."](#) *RealClearMarkets*, November 2013

["Deficits are costly, even if you're not Greece."](#) (with Aspen Gorry) *RealClearMarkets*, February 2013

["A simple measure of the distributional burden of debt."](#) (with Aspen Gorry) *Tax Notes*, February 2013

["Charles Tiebout, Foot Voting, and Competition among Localities."](#) *Chapter in Rethinking Competitiveness* (with Kevin A. Hassett and R. Glenn Hubbard), December 2012

[“Joe Biden miscited our work at the debate last night.”](#) (with Aspen Gorry) *AEIdeas*, October 2012

[“A simple measure of the distributional burden of debt accumulation.”](#) *AEI Working Paper Series* (with Aspen Gorry), October 2012

[“Matt O’Brien’s odd take on Romney’s tax proposal”](#) *AEIdeas*, September 2012

[“The Tax Policy Center updates its Romney plan analysis.”](#) *AEIdeas*, August 2012

[“How the Tax Policy Center could improve its Romney tax study.”](#) *AEIdeas*, August 2012

[“What if we had overhauled our tax code.”](#) (with Veronika Polakova) *RealClearMarkets*, April 2012

[“How does the Gang of Six budget plan measure up.”](#) (with Andrew G. Biggs) *AEIdeas*, July 2011

[“Yes, you really can cut your way to prosperity.”](#) (with Andrew G. Biggs) *RealClearMarkets*, July 2011

[“Corporate tax burden on labor: theory and empirical evidence.”](#) (with Aparna Mathur) *Tax Notes*, June 2011

[“The right way to balance the budget.”](#) (with Andrew G. Biggs and Kevin A. Hassett) *The Wall Street Journal*, December 2010

[“A guide for deficit reduction in the United States based on historical consolidations that worked.”](#) (with Andrew G. Biggs and Kevin A. Hassett) *AEI Working Paper Series*, December 2010

A complete list of publications is available upon request.

SELECT MEDIA COVERAGE

Bloomberg, Bloomberg Tax, Bond Buyer, CQPress, CNN, Forbes, Foreign Affairs, Fox News, NPR, Politico, Reuters, Roll Call, Tax Notes, The New York Times, The New York Times Editorial Board, The Hill, The New York Times Upshot, The Wall Street Journal, The Wall Street Journal Editorial Board, The Wall Street Journal Real Time Economics, The Washington Post, The Washington Post Editorial Board, The Washington Post WonkBlog.