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Citizenship

Canadian

Research Interests

Urban Economics, Real Estate Economics, Local Public Finance, Urban Planning and Policy, Urban Public Health

Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts USA **2017**
Ph.D. Urban Economics

Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, British Columbia, Canada **2008**
M.A. Economics

University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada **2005**
B.Sc. Mathematics and Finance with Distinction

Academic Appointments

Assistant Professor **2023 -**
Brookfield Centre in Real Estate and Infrastructure,
Real Assets Area, Schulich School of Business,
York University, Toronto, Canada

Assistant Professor of Research **2022 - 2023**
Center for Real Estate and Urban Economic Studies,
University of Connecticut School of Business, Storrs, CT USA

Assistant Professor **2018 - 2021**
School of Urban & Regional Planning, Toronto Metropolitan University, Toronto, Canada

Research Associate **2018 - 2021**
Center for Population Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA USA

Postdoctoral Research Fellow **2017 - 2018**
Center for Population Studies, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA USA

Peer-Reviewed Publications

Carlo, A., Rolheiser, L., (2026). Data Centred: The Shifting Landscape of Canada's Digital Infrastructure. `https://ssrn.com/abstract=6464099,doi:10.2139/ssrn.6464099`. - *Forthcoming Canadian Public Policy*

Ghosh, C., *Rolheiser, L., van de Minne, A., & Wang, X. (2025). The Price of Work from Home: Commercial Real Estate in the City and the Suburbs. *Journal of Real Estate Research*, 1–33. `https://doi.org/10.1080/08965803.2025.2523123`

* indicates lead authorship, ‡ indicates co-authorship

Büchler, S., Aldana, E., ‡Rolheiser, L. (2024) The Past and Future of Non-Residential-to-Residential Conversions in New York City. *Cities*, 152. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cities.2024.105157

Cvijanovic, D., ‡Rolheiser, L., van de Minne, A., (2024) Commercial Real Estate and Air Pollution. *Real Estate Economics*, 52(3), 951–989. https://doi.org/10.1111/1540-6229.12484

bunten, devin michelle, Fu, E., ‡Rolheiser, L., & Severen, C. (2024). The Problem Has Existed over Endless Years: Racialized Difference in Commuting, 1980–2019. *Journal of Urban Economics,* 141, 103542.

Francke, M., ‡Rolheiser, L., van de Minne, A. (2023) Estimating Census Tract House Price Indexes: A New Spatial Dynamic Factor Approach. *The Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics*, 1-32.

‡Rolheiser, L., van Dijk, D., & van de Minne, A. (2020). Housing Vintage and Price Dynamics. *Regional Science and Urban Economics*, 84, 103569.

Bunten, D. M. & ‡Rolheiser, L. (2020) People or Parking? *Habitat International*, 106, 102289.

*Rolheiser, L. (2020) Old, Small, and Unwanted: Postwar Housing and Neighborhood Socioeconomic Status. *Urban Studies*, 58(14), 2952-2970.

‡Rolheiser, L., & Saiz, A. (2020). Is Participatory Democracy Representative? A Survey of Engaged Town Meeting Voters, *New England Journal of Political Science*, 12(1).

*Rolheiser, L. & Dai, C. (2018) Beyond density: municipal expenditures and the shape and location of development, *Urban Geography*, 40(8), 1097-1123, DOI: 10.1080/02723638.2018.1546499

Dunn, J. R., Park, G. R., Brydon, R., Veall, M., Rolheiser, L. A., Wolfson, M., & Ross, N. A. (2024). State-level association between income inequality and mortality in the USA, 1989–2019: ecological study. *J Epidemiol Community Health*, 78(12), 772-778.

Dunn, J. R., Park, G.-R., Brydon, R., Wolfson, M., Veall, M., Rolheiser, L., Siddiqi, A., & Ross, N. A. (2022). Income inequality and population health: A political-economic research agenda. *J Epidemiol Community Health*, 76(8), 756–758.

‡Rolheiser, L., Zacher, M., Subramanian, S. V., & Arcaya, M. C. (2022). Do health trajectories predict neighborhood outcomes? Evidence of health selection in a diverse sample of US adults. *Health & Place*, 73, 102713.

*Rolheiser, L., Cordes, J., & Subramanian, S. V. (2018). Opioid Prescribing Rates by Congressional Districts, United States, 2016. *American Journal of Public Health*, 108(9), 1214-1219.

Under Review

Aldana, E., Büchler, S., Carlo, A., Rolheiser, L., Saiz, A., Vergara-Alert, C. (2026) Serving the Servers: Do Data Centers Create Local Employment? MIT Center for Real Estate Research Paper Forthcoming, Available at SSRN: https://ssrn.com/abstract=7467778 or http://dx.doi.org/10.2139/ssrn.7467778 - *under review*

Cvijanovic, D., Rolheiser, L., Van de Minne, A., 2025. Temperature extremes and real as- sets. https://ssrn.com/abstract=4517557,doi:10.2139/ssrn.4517557 - *revise and resubmit requested from Journal of Real Estate Research*

Working Papers and Papers in progress

"Smoked Out: Impact of Wildfire Smoke on Labour and Buildings" *with Alex van de Minne, Dragana Cvijanović, Olivier Schöni - in progress*

"(Sub)Urbanization of Commercial Real Estate Development from 1980 to 2020" *with Alex van de Minne, Dragana Cvijanović, Tom Davidoff - in progress*

"From Vacancy to Vitality: How NYC Conversions Shape Rents and Neighborhoods" - *with Simon Camilo Buechler and Jose Ernesto Aldana Vizcaino - in progress*

Other Publications

*Rolheiser, L. (2021). When it comes to parking minimums, less is more. Spacing Toronto.

Patent

Aruswamy, V., Zhang, H., Bojic, I., Rolheiser, L., Sobolevsky, S., Vanky, A.P.(2016). Urban Professional Genome, U.S. Patent No. US20170287080A1 *(pending/application)*

Teaching Experience

York University

Professor

PROP 6150: Economic Forces Shaping the City (Graduate) **2024 -**

PROP 6080: Creative Workshop—MREI Capstone that includes Major Group Project (Graduate) **2024 -**

University of Connecticut

Professor

Real Estate Principles (Undergraduate) **2023**

A Practical Approach to Real Estate (Undergraduate) **2022**

Toronto Metropolitan University (formerly Ryerson University)

Professor

Quantitative Methods for Public Policy (PhD) **2020 - 2021**

Statistics for Planners (Undergraduate) **2018 - 2021**

Housing Economics and Policy (Undergraduate, Masters) **2018 - 2021**

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Teaching Assistant

Real Estate Economics (Masters/MBA/PhD) **2012 - 2015**

Quantitative Methods for Planning (Planning Masters) **2014, 2017**

Applied Economics for Managers (Sloan Fellows MBA Program) **2012 - 2015**

Instructor

Statistics Bootcamp (Real Estate Masters) **2012 - 2016**

Microeconomics Bootcamp (Sloan MBA/Tech. & Public Policy MSc) **2013**

Service

York University

York University
CIRTA Adjudication ommittee member **2026**

Schulich School of Business
Master Planning Committee member **2026 -**
Student Accommodation Committee (SAC) member **2025 -**

Real Assets Area
MREI program evaluation and revision **2024 -**
Supporting and participating in the operations of student and alumni events **2023 -**

CITY Institute **2025**
Participant in CITY's ORU Charter re-application

American Real Estate and Urban Economics Association (AREUEA)
AREUEA Awards Committee **2026**
AREUEA Junior Scholar Program Committee **2025**
AREUEA Virtual Seminar Series Committee **2024**
Women in Real Estate Networking (WREN) committee **2023-2024**
ASSA/AREUEA 2024, Program Committee **2023-2024**

Research Papers in Economics (RePEc)
Editor for *New Economics Papers on Housing and Real Estate* **2026 -**

University of Connecticut
Center for Real Estate and Urban Economic Studies **2022**
UConn team mentor for Cornell Retail Real Estate Case Competition

Toronto Metropolitan University
School of Public Policy **2021**
Graduate Admissions Committee

School of Urban and Regional Planning **2019 - 2021**
Undergraduate Admissions Committee

School of Urban and Regional Planning **2019 - 2021**
Undergraduate/Graduate Awards Committee Chair

Faculty of Community Service **2019 - 2021**
Undergraduate/Graduate Awards Committee

Grants

Real Estate Research Institute **2026**
w/Ernesto Aldana Vizcaino and Simon Büchler
From Vacancy to Vitality: How NYC Conversions Shape Rents and Neighborhoods
$15,000USD

Canada Mortgage Housing Corporation (CMHC) **2025**
Rolheiser, L. (PI)
A Systemic Approach to Supporting Community Housing Providers in Scaling Up Affordable Housing Supply – Business Model Innovation

$221,677

Real Estate Research Institute **2024**
w/Dragana Cvijanovic and Alex Van de Minne
Disparities in access to new commercial real estate from 1980 to 2020
$15,000USD

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) **2022**
Partnership Development Grant
Parker, D. (PI) + 6 Co-investigators.
Why did the "Missing Middle" miss the Train? Exploring barriers and solutions to intensified family housing in Waterloo Region
$199,922

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC) Explore Grant **2020**
The Socioeconomic Persistence of Large-Scale Residential Developments
$7,000

Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) **2020**
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council (SSHRC).
Dunn, J.R. (PI) +41 Co-investigators.
Canadian Housing Evidence Collaborative.
CMHC-SSHRC Housing Partnership Development Grant
$1,135,000.

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) Project Grant: **2019**
Dunn, J.R. (PI) +5 Co-investigators.
Income Inequality, Health, and Housing Affordability
$274,636.

Ryerson University Seed Grant **2019**
Comparative Study of Salt Lake City and Calgary Urban Development
$4,000

Ryerson University Seed Grant **2018**
Mapping Developable Land
$3,500

Honors and Awards

Schulich Teaching Excellence Award **2025-2026**
Schulich Research Excellence Fellowship **2026**
Outstanding Ph.D. Dissertation, Department of Urban Studies, MIT **2017**
Lincoln Institute of Land Policy C. Lowell Harriss Dissertation Fellowship **2015**
LinkedIn Economic Graph Challenge **2015**
MIT Emerson Travel Grant **2012**
MIT Presidential Graduate Fellowship **2011**

Invited Talks

Cornell University, Real Estate and Economics Symposium **2025**
Simon Fraser University, Economics Seminar Series **2025**
Sauder School of Business, University of British Columbia **2025**

	The City Institute at York University (CITY)	**2025**
	Climate and Real Estate Symposium, MIT	**2024**
	Cornell University, College of Architecture, Art, and Planning	**2023**
	Price Dynamics Platform Symposium, Center for Real Estate, MIT	**2023**
	York University, Brookfield Center in Real Estate and Infrastructure	**2023**
	University of Guelph, Lang School of Business	**2023**
	Cornell University, Center for Real Estate and Finance	**2022**
	Computation Real Estate and Urban Studies: Center for Real Estate, MIT	**2021**
	Urban Economics and Policy Workshop: Department of Urban Studies, MIT and Planning	**2019**
	HASTalks: McMaster University, Department of Health, Aging and Society	**2019**
	Ryerson University, Ted Rogers School of Business, Department of Real Estate	**2018**
	Baruch College, Zicklin School of Business, Department of Real Estate	**2018**
	Cambridge University, Department of Land Economy	**2017**

Conference Attendance	Miami University Oktoberfest Conference, Miami OH, Presenter	**2026**
	ASSA/AREUEA, Philadelphia, Presenter	**2026**
	Urban Economics Association (UEA), Montreal	**2025**
	National AREUEA Conference, Discussant	**2024**
	ASSA/AREUEA, San Antonio, Session Chair	**2024**
	Urban Economics Association (UEA), Toronto, Presenter/Discussant	**2023**
	National AREUEA Conference, Session Chair/Presenter	**2023**
	Association of Collegiate Schools of Planning (ACSP), Toronto, Presenter	**2022**
	National AREUEA Conference, Presenter/Discussant	**2022**
	National AREUEA Conference, Virtual, Discussant	**2021**
	APPAM Annual Conference, Virtual, Presenter	**2020**
	Urban Economics Association (UEA), Philadelphia, Presenter/Discussant	**2019**
	ASSA/AREUEA, Atlanta, Discussant	**2018**
	ACSP, Buffalo, Presenter	**2018**
	NARSC, Vancouver, Presenter	**2017**
	ASSA/AREUEA, Chicago, PhD Poster Session	**2017**
	Urban Economics Association PhD Workshop, NYC	**2015**

Referee	Regional Science and Urban Economics, Journal of Housing Economics, Journal of Real Estate Finance and Economics, Journal of Regional Science, Urban Studies, Habitat International, American Journal of Public Health
Memberships /Affiliations	MIT Center for Real Estate, ACSP, AREUEA, ASSA
Software Skills	Stata, R, MATLAB, Python, ArcGIS, QGIS, LaTeX