

Timothy J. Kane, Ph.D.

EDUCATION

- 2001 Ph.D. Economics, University of California, San Diego
- 1990 B.S. Economics and Political Science, United States Air Force Academy

EMPLOYMENT

- 2024 - present Professor of Economics, University of Austin, Austin, TX
- 2022 - present President, The American Lyceum (501c3)
- 2013 - present Visiting Fellow / Research Fellow, Hoover Institution, Stanford, CA
- 2012 - 2013 Chief Economist, Hudson Institute, Washington, DC
- 2008 - 2012 Senior Fellow, Kauffman Foundation, Kansas City, MO
- 2007 - 2008 Chief Labor Economist, Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Congress
- 2004 - 2007 Director of the *Index of Economic Freedom*, Heritage Foundation, Washington, DC
- 2003 - 2004 Senior Economist, Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Congress
- 2001 - 2002 Assistant Professor, Occidental College, Dept. of Economics
- 1998 - 2000 Founder & CEO, enonymous.com, San Diego, CA
- 1995 - 1998 Founder & CEO, Neocor Technologies, San Diego, CA
Bootstrap startup, licensed Japanese technology, and was acquired in 1998.
- 1990 - 1995 Captain, United States Air Force (Human Intelligence)

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

- The Immigrant Superpower – How Brains, Brawn, and Bravery Make America Stronger.* Oxford University Press. January 2022.
- Total Volunteer Force: Lessons from the US Military on Leadership Culture and Talent Management.* Hoover Press. 2017.
- Balance: The Economics of Great Powers from Ancient Rome to Modern America,* New York, NY: Simon & Schuster. 2013. Co-authored with Glenn Hubbard. The book has been translated and published in Japanese, Chinese, Korean, and Hungarian editions.
- Bleeding Talent: How the U.S. Military Mismanages Great Leaders and Why It's Time for a Revolution,* New York, NY: Palgrave Macmillan. 2012.
- Index of Economic Freedom,* Washington, DC: Wall Street Journal / Heritage Foundation. 2007.

ACADEMIC PUBLICATIONS

Tim Kane. "Development and U.S. Troop Deployment," *Foreign Policy Analysis*, July 2012, Volume 8(3), 255-273.

Garett Jones and Tim Kane. "U.S. Troops and Foreign Economic Growth," *Defence and Peace Economics*, June 2012, Volume 23(3), 225-249.

PUBLISHED RESEARCH & WORKING PAPERS

"Empirics of Deterrence," with H.R. McMaster, forthcoming 2024.

"The All-Volunteer Force at Fifty: Productivity, Peace, and (Unmet) Potential," Chapter 13 in *Defense Budgeting for a Safer World: The Experts Speak*, eds. Michael J. Boskin, John Rader, Kiran Sridhar, Stanford, CA: Hoover Institution Press. 2013.

"Beyond GDP – Looking Deeper at Technological Progress, Economic Inequality, and Utility Value," Hoover Institution Essay, November 2021.

"Measuring Progress, Value and Inequality – Reverse Vickery Auctions" with Laurie Hodrick.

["Immigration and Economic Performance Across Fifty U.S. States from 1980-2015,"](#) with Zach Rutledge, Hoover Economics Working Paper 18112, July 19, 2018.

["Presidents and the US Economy from 1949 to 2016,"](#) Hoover Economics Working Paper 17101, June 5, 2017.

["The Decline of American Engagement: Patterns in U.S. Troop Deployments,"](#) Hoover Economics Working Paper 16101, January 11, 2016.

["Accelerating Convergence in the World Income Distribution,"](#) Hoover Institution Economics Working Paper 16102, January 17, 2016.

["The Leader/Talent Matrix: An Empirical Perspective on Organizational Culture,"](#) Hoover Institution Economics Working Paper 15106, June 2, 2015.

POLICY JOURNAL & MAGAZINE PUBLICATIONS

"Defense Budgeting: Recruits Deserve A Better Deal," *Defining Ideas*, December 13, 2023

"What Unites Our Greatest Presidents?" *Defining Ideas*, February 18, 2022

"False Choices in Afghanistan?" *Defining Ideas*, August 18, 2021

"What's Driving The Border Crisis?" *Defining Ideas*, March 23, 2021

"Immigration Is The Ultimate Security" The Center for Growth and Opportunity, July 14, 2020

"Population Power," *Hoover Digest*, January 26, 2018.

"Sanctuary and Sanctimony," *Hoover Digest*, July 7, 2017.

"The Evolving Volunteer Force," *Catalyst*, George W. Bush Institute, April 26, 2017.

["Piketty's Crumbs,"](#) *Commentary*, May 2016.

"Five Ways to Destroy the Economy," co-authored with Glenn Hubbard, *The Weekly Standard*, April 4, 2016.

- [“Immigration and The GOP,”](#) *Defining Ideas*, August 18, 2015.
- “Promethean America,” *The Weekly Standard*, March 4, 2015.
- “The Economic Effect of Immigration,” *Peregrine*, February 17, 2015.
- [“The Good Country,”](#) *Commentary (COVER STORY)*, December 2014.
- [“Forgetting How to Grow,”](#) chapter in *Reinvigorating Economic Growth* (Brink Lindsey, ed.), first published November 2014 by the Cato Institute.
- [“In Defense of Citizens United,”](#) with Glenn Hubbard, *Foreign Affairs*, July/August 2013.
- “The Great Wall of Texas: How the U.S. Is Repeating One of History's Great Blunders,” with Glenn Hubbard, *theatlantic.com*, July 9, 2013.
- “An Army of None,” *Foreign Policy*, January 10, 2013.
- “Regaining America’s Balance,” with Glenn Hubbard, *National Affairs*, Winter 2013.
- “Why Our Best Officers Are Leaving,” *The Atlantic*, January/February 2011.
- “Every Man (and Woman) an Entrepreneur,” *Forbes*, September 13, 2010.
- “Phantom Jobs and Job Losses,” *The Public Interest*, Winter 2005.

NEWSPAPER & ONLINE PUBLICATIONS

- Sole author of WhyAmerica.substack.com, 2021-present.
- “What the Biden administration is getting wrong on immigration,” CNN.com, October 5, 2022.
- “Our Economy's Got a Population Problem,” Fox Business, May 27, 2020.
- “The Federal Government Just Nuked Employment,” Medium.com, April 8, 2020.
- [“Covid-19 : The Mildest Pandemic,”](#) Medium.com, March 10, 2020.
- “Can Covid-19 Be Stopped?,” Medium.com, March 22, 2020.
- [“The tectonic shift in global migration?”](#) Medium.com, September 10, 2020.
- [“How Do You Measure Value? And Other Great Questions For Labor Day,”](#) FoxNews.com, Monday, September 2, 2019
- “Trump Base Wants Immigration Compromise,” *Wall Street Journal*, February 28, 2019.
- [“National Security Consequences Of Cutting Immigration,”](#) *Fox News*, September 20, 2017.
- “How We Measure Poverty Is Key To Knowing Who Is Poor,” *The Hill*, September 17, 2017.
- [“Commentary: To Stop Rape In The Ranks, Fix The Personnel System,”](#) *Military Times*, August 17, 2017.
- “The Immigration Crackdown, Or Crack-Up?” *The Weekly Standard*, March 17, 2017.
- “Border Mystery: Where Are The Immigrants?” CNN.com, March 10, 2017.
- “6 Presidents Trump Can Look To As Economic Role Models,” with R. Glenn Hubbard, *The Hill*, February 2, 2017.

"Immigration is a Dying Issue," CNN, October 9, 2016.

"America's Slowing Economic Dynamo," with R. Glenn Hubbard, *Investor's Business Daily*, July 8, 2016.

["It's Time to End the Federal Minimum Wage,"](#) *National Review*, February 18, 2016.

"Ash Carter's Speech: A Beginning, Not a Defeat, of The Personnel Revolution," *Foreign Policy*, November 23, 2015.

"Common Sense on Syrian Refugees," *National Review*, November 20, 2015.

["There's a reason America's vets can't find work but not what Ben Bernanke thinks,"](#) *ForeignPolicy.com Best Defense* guest contribution, October 5, 2015.

["Why Capitalism is Worth Defending to the Pope,"](#) *Fortune* (online), September 24, 2015.

["Military's Management Practices Can't Compete,"](#) *Military Times*, August 21, 2015.

["Why I am questioning Janet Yellen,"](#) LinkedIn's Pulse, July 24, 2015.

"Is Fed's Yellen Creating New Bubble By Not Raising Rates?" *Investor's Business Daily*, July 23, 2015

["Modern Military Officers vs. Business Executives,"](#) LinkedIn's Pulse, June 4, 2015

"Abraham Lincoln's War on Inequality," with Glenn Hubbard, *Real Clear Politics*, April 12, 2015.

"Military Retirement: Too Sweet A Deal?" *War on the Rocks*, March 2, 2015.

["Breaking Bad: Q&A with Tim Kane on Rethinking Talent Management,"](#) Medium.com, January 14, 2015.

["Free Soldiers Make a Free Nation,"](#) *Commentary* (online), January 7, 2015.

"There's A Better Way To Do Immigration Reform," *Los Angeles Times*, October 21, 2014.

"Border Crisis Is Unfair, But No Surprise," *CNN.com*, July 18, 2014.

"The Truth About Republicans, Congress and Immigration Reform," *FoxNews.com*, June 20, 2014.

"A Subtle Danger: Janet Yellen's Fed," *Advancing a Free Society*, March 24, 2014.

"For the Coming Recession, Hope for the Best, Prepare for the Worst," *RealClearMarkets.com*, February 4, 2015

["Immigration Isn't Killing The Middle Class,"](#) *Washington Post*, December 15, 2014.

["Reform the Pentagon,"](#) *National Review Online*, December 12, 2013.

"Republicans and Democrats Both Miscalculated," with Glenn Hubbard, *New York Times*, August 11, 2013.

"The Real IRS Scandal," with Glenn Hubbard, *Los Angeles Times*, May 29, 2013.

"How to lose great leaders? Ask the Army," *Washington Post*, February 5, 2013.

"The Myth of the 'Balanced Approach' to Fiscal Policy," with Glenn Hubbard, *Politico*, August 24, 2012.

"In pursuit of a Balanced Budget," with Glenn Hubbard, *Politico*, July 28, 2011.

“He Can’t Make Up His Mind,” *RealClearPolitics.com*, February 10, 2009.

“A Draft for Freedom Fighters?” *FOXNews.com*, December 29, 2006

“Celebrity Professor Proposes Wrong Cure for Poverty,” *FOXNews.com*, November 25, 2006.

“No Atheists in a Foxhole? No Idiots, Either,” with Mackenzie Eaglen, *New York Times*, November 8, 2006.

“Political protectionism threatens U.S. – China dialogue,” with Michael A. Needham, *National Review Online*, September 27, 2006.

“Presence of American troops yields benefits,” *The Hill*, May 24, 2006.

“Neither Preference Nor Prejudice,” with Kirk Johnson, *Knight-Ridder wire*, March 15, 2006

“Poll too biased to show troops’ views,” *Philadelphia Enquirer*, March 10, 2006.

“Iraq: Weighing the costs & benefits,” *Knight-Ridder wire*, March 8, 2006.

“Debunking the Myth of the Underprivileged Soldier,” with James Carafano, *USA Today*, November 27, 2005.

“Exit Strategy – A Mere Phrase, Not a Strategy,” *USA Today*, June 19, 2005.

“Bush’s Record on Job Growth,” *FOXNews.com*, June 8, 2005.

“The Legacy of Troop Deployments,” *Knight-Ridder Tribune Wire*, May 31, 2005.

“State Should Stop Targeting Wal-Mart,” *Baltimore Sun*, May 20, 2005.

“Nothing Personal about Social Security,” *San Diego Union Tribune*, March 13, 2005.

“The jobs numbers that you’re not hearing about,” with Andrew Grossman, *USA Today*, August 25, 2004.

“Presto, a Better Jobs Picture,” *Los Angeles Times*, August 24, 2004.

“Kerry, Hoover and Economic Honesty,” *National Review Online* and *Scripps Howard Wire*, August 20, 2004.

“Jobs: The New Economy Recovers” *San Diego Union Tribune*, April 11, 2004

“Labor’s Lost Jobs,” *New York Times*, April 7, 2004.

POLICY PAPERS

“The Collapse of Startups in Job Creation,” *The Hudson Institute*, September 2012.

“Inheriting Recessions,” *The Hudson Institute*, July 2012.

“The Entrepreneurial Army: A Survey of West Point Graduates,” January 4, 2011. Available at SSRN: http://papers.ssrn.com/sol3/papers.cfm?abstract_id=1734594.

“The Way to Cut Taxes and Deficits,” *American.com*, December 16, 2010.

“Kauffman Economic Outlook: A Quarterly Survey of Leading Economics Bloggers,” Multiple volumes, *The Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation*, August 2010.

- “The Importance of Startups in Job Creation and Job Destruction,” *The Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation*, July 2010.
- Tim Kane and Robert Litan. “Knowledge Economy Immigration: A Priority for U.S. Growth Policy,” *The Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation*, April 30, 2009.
- Tim Kane and Robert Litan. “Kauffman Economic Bloggers Survey,” *The Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation*, March 1, 2009.
- “New Insights on the 2000-2001 Economic Slowdown,” The Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C., December 10, 2003.
- “A Tale of Two Employment Surveys,” The Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C., October 14, 2003.
- “Constant Change: A History of Federal Taxes,” The Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C., September 12, 2003.
- “Recent Economic Developments: The Economy Builds Momentum,” The Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C., September 10, 2003.
- “10 Facts about Today’s Economy,” The Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C., August 1, 2003.
- “Putting the U.S. Economy in Global Context,” The Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C., June 24, 2003.
- “Economics of the Debt Limit,” The Joint Economic Committee, U.S. Senate, Washington, D.C., May 23, 2003.
- “Internet Privacy: A Summary of Privacy Ratings Research,” *enonymous.com*, April 2000.

FICTION

- “Hegemony Falls,” a story about the rise of stablecoins. Palo Alto Weekly 34th Annual Short Story Contest, Second Place Adult, 2020.
https://www.paloaltoonline.com/short_story/short_story_34/adult2.php

CONGRESSIONAL TESTIMONY

- “Officer Personnel Management and the Defense Officer Personnel Management Act of 1980,” Senate Armed Services Committee, January 24, 2018.
- “The Decline of Economic Opportunity in The United States,” Joint Economic Committee, April 5, 2017.
- “Encouraging Entrepreneurship: Growing Business, Not Bureaucracy” delivered Testimony before the Joint Economic Committee, July 12, 2016.
- “The RAISE Act” delivered Testimony before the House Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor, and Pensions, July 25, 2012.
- “American Competitiveness: Why Well-intentioned Labor Regulations for Families Can Hurt More than Help” delivered Testimony before the Joint Economic Committee, June 14, 2007.

“Foreign Investment, Growth, and Economic Freedom: What Is OPIC’s Role?” delivered Testimony before the U.S. House Committee on Foreign Affairs, Subcommittee on Trade, May 24, 2007.

“Reforming U.S. law on unemployment insurance” delivered Testimony before the Subcommittee on Income Security and Family Support of the House Committee on Ways and Means, May 4, 2006.

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLIC SPEECHES

“The Immigrant Superpower,” UCL Economics Conference 2019, October 18, 2020.

“Hoover Institution Fellow Tim Kane. A New Global Alliance: A Proposition for a 21st Century Political Order,” Henry Jackson Society, Parliament, London, UK, October 17, 2019.

“The Nature of Value,” Magdalen College, Oxford University Economics Club, October 16, 2020.

“Economic Inequality and The Question of Progress?” IEA, London, UK, October 15, 2019.

RAND’s 4th Annual West Coast Aerospace Forum, Santa Monica, CA, November 30, 2018.

“Security and Immigration” panel at the North America Forum, Ottawa, Canada, October 14-16, 2018.

The 59th Academy Assembly, “The Future of American Defense Policy” panelist, U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado, October 19, 2017.

National Review Institute’s Immigration Debate, May 24 (Dallas, TX) and May 26 (New York, NY), 2016.

University of Kansas, Center for the Study of the U.S. Military, “Public Conversation on the All-Volunteer Force,” April 28, 2016.

Association of Private Enterprise Education, “Do American Troops Help Spread Democracy?,” Las Vegas, NV, April 4, 2016

Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research 2016 Economic Summit, Immigration Panel, Stanford University, CA, April 14, 2016.

Kansas Economic Policy Forum, [Inequality Debate](#) (video link starting at minute 9:00) with Brad DeLong, October 22, 2014.

University of Chicago Alumni Association, Washington D.C., “Benefits of Immigration,” October 15, 2015.

Center for Security and International Studies panel on the “Force of the Future,” September 15, 2015. ([video link](#)).

Claremont McKenna College, Immigration Research Roundtable, November 7, 2014.

Philanthropy Roundtable annual meeting, Salt Lake City, October 10, 2014.

Charles Koch Institute, “America and the Ghost of Great Powers Past,” October 21, 2013. ([video link](#)).

American Enterprise Institute, “Balance” book panel, June 20, 2013.

Columbia University, "Balance" book discussion, C-Span Book Notes, June 13, 2013.

Prosperity Caucus, "Balance" book discussion, Washington, DC, June 12, 2013.

Hunter College, Roosevelt House, "Balance" book discussion, May 30, 2013.

Moderator/Panelist, Tech@State, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC, May 24, 2013.

"Fixing Guest Worker Visas" panel, hosted by the Cato Institute at the U.S. Capitol, April 24, 2013.

29th Annual Jefferson B. Fordham Debate, University of Utah, February 28, 2013.

Palantir Night Live, "Bleeding Talent" book presentation, April 10, 2013.

"Bleeding Talent" book panel, Hudson Institute, January 31, 2013.

Moderator, "Security Challenges," Brookings Institution, Washington, DC, March 13, 2013.

National Association of Business Economists conference in Dallas, TX, September 12, 2011.

National League of Cities, Small Business Summit, Washington, DC, August 18, 2011.

Host, Economics Bloggers Forum, Kansas City, MO, April 2011.

Tech@State, U.S. Department of State, Washington, DC, November 4, 2010.

"Global Entrepreneurship Week, 2010" U.S. Chamber of Commerce, Washington, DC, November 2010.

Host, Economics Bloggers Forum, Kansas City, MO, February 2009 and March 2010.

"Global Entrepreneurship Week, 2008" Seoul, Korea; University of Hawaii; Chapman University.

"Measuring Economic Freedom: The 2007 Index," multiple locations globally, 2007.

"U.S. Troops and Economic Growth," Southern Economics Association, Washington, DC, November 20, 2005.

"Fighting Poverty in America," University of North Carolina's Summit on Poverty, Chapel Hill, NC, November 9, 2005. *Employee Rights and Employment Policy Journal*, No.1 / 2006.

"Labor Protectionism as Policy Competition," Atlantic Society, NY, October 10, 2005.

Host, "Challenges Facing the 21st Century U.S. Workforce," panel including Labor Secretary Elaine Chao, Heritage Foundation, Washington, DC, August 4, 2005. C-SPAN national coverage.

"How Jobless is Our Recovery?" American Enterprise Institute, Washington, DC, May 10, 2004. C-SPAN national coverage.