Ben Grodeck

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Academic Positions

Assistant Professor (Clinical) — West Lafeyette, USA
Purdue University — *August 2025 - Present*

Postdoctoral Researcher — Exeter, United Kingdom
University of Exeter — *April 2024 - June 2025*

Postdoctoral Researcher — Plön, Germany
Max Planck Institute (Dynamics of Social Behavior Group) — *June 2023 - April 2024*

Education

Monash University — Melbourne, Australia
PhD, Economics — *2018 - 2023*

University of Oxford (Global Priorities Institute) — Oxford, United Kingdom
Visiting PhD student — *2019, 2023*

Monash University — Melbourne, Australia
Honours Economics (First Class) — *2017*

Monash University — Melbourne, Australia
Honours Philosophy (First Class) — *2015*

Monash University — Melbourne, Australia
Bachelor of Arts and Commerce — *2010-2014*

Research

Publications

Grodeck, B., & Grossman, P. J. (2024). Instantaneous positive reinforcement does not increase donations: Evidence from online experiments. *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, *222*, 446-460.

Grodeck, B., Tausch, F., Wang, C., Xiao, E. (2023). To Insure or Not to Insure? Promoting Trust and Cooperation with Insurance Advice in Markets. *European Economic Review*, 104586.

Grodeck, B., Schoenegger, P. (2023). Demanding the morally demanding: Experimental evidence on the effects of moral arguments and moral demandingness on charitable giving. *Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics*, 103, 101988.

Schoenegger, P., & Grodeck, B. (2023). Concrete over abstract: Experimental evidence of reflective equilibrium in population ethics. In *Experiments in Moral and Political Philosophy* (pp. 43-61). Routledge.

Working Papers

"No Intention to Profit, Yet Still Repugnant: Experimental Evidence for Outcome Based Repugnance." (with Nina Xue and Erte Xiao). R&R at The Economic Journal.

"The Performance of Performance Based Donations " (with Alice Solda and Claire Rimbaud). R&R at The Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization

"Cooperating Across Generations: Reciprocal Cooperation and Intergenerational Exchange" (with Zach Freitas-Groff, Oliver Hauser, and Johannes Lohse). Under Review at The Economic Journal

"The Effect of Compassion Fade on Altruistic Behavior: Experimental Evidence for a Guilt Mitigation Account" (with Toby Handfield and Matthew Kopec).

Works In Progress

"Banking on the Future" (with Oliver Hauser and Christian Hilbe).

"Giving More Together" (with Oliver Hauser and Joel Lamb.

"The Loud Minority" (with Erte Xiao and Nina Xue).

"The Value of Cognition and Happiness" (with Josh Tasoff and Glenny Alawag).

"Agentic Traits" (with Prerana Maheshwari).

Grants and Honours

Shovel Research Grant ($20,000) (Monash University), 2026

Research Grant ($5,000) (Pangram), 2026

Distinguished Teaching Award Fall 2025 (Purdue), 2025

Honorary Appointment (University of Exeter), 2023

Selected as Monash Representative at PhD Conference, 2022

Research Grant (£1,000) (Giving What We Can), 2021

Research Grant (£15,000) (Centre of Effective Altruism), 2021

Research Grant ($10,000) (Centre of Effective Altruism), 2020

Global Priorities Fellowship (Forethought Foundation), 2019

Monash Departmental Scholarship (Monash University), 2018

Discovery Grant PhD Scholarship (ARC), 2018

Top student in Economics Honours (Monash University), 2017

Dean's Honours list (Monash University), 2017

Excellence award in Public Economics (Monash University), 2017

Excellence award in Econometrics (Monash University), 2017

Research Grant ($500) (Monash University), 2017

Invited Presentations and Conferences

2026: Economics Seminar (University of Maryland), ESA World Conference (Los Angeles)

2025: BEE Workshop (Florence), Experimental Economics Seminar (University of Melbourne), ESA North America Conference (Arizona)

2024: Economics Seminar (University of Queensland), Economics Seminar (University of Cologne), ASFEE (Grenoble), ICSD (Leiden), Morals Markets Workshop (WZB, Berlin), IMEBESS (Riga)

2023: Is/Ought Conference (Wittenberg), ESA Europe (Exeter), ESA World (Lyon), SIN Workshop (Warwick), Economics Seminar (University of Birmingham), AYEW (Online)

2022: ANZWEE (Sydney), FUR (Ghent), ASFEE (Lyon), ESA Asia-Pacific (online)

2021: TIBER (online), Motivated Beliefs Workshop (Monash University Online), The Misinformation Lab Seminar (Deakin University), ESA World Conference (Online)

2020: ANZWEE (online), ESA world conference(online)

2019: ANZWEE (Monash University), 2nd Oxford Workshop on Global Priorities Research (Oxford University), Psychological Game Theory Workshop (Copenhagen), Effective Altruism Global Conference Academic Session (San Francisco), M-Bees/M-Beps Conference (Maastricht), Monash University BET Seminar (Monash)

Teaching Experience

ECON372 (Purdue): Experimental Economics 2026 Spring, 2026 Fall

ECON301 (Purdue): Managerial Economics 2026

ECON471 (Purdue): Behavioural Economics 2025,2026

Refereeing

European Economic Review, Games and Economic Behavior, The Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, The Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics, Theory and Decision, Proceedings B, Economics Letters,

Letter Writers

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