

# ELIZABETH CHAMPION

## Education

**Boston University** 2016 - 2020

Bachelor of Arts in Economics; *summa cum laude* GPA: 4.0/4.0

- Trustee Scholar (highest merit scholarship awarded by Boston University), Provost Award Recipient (1 of 15 sophomores)

**Harvard University – Visiting Undergraduate Student** 2019

Coursework: Finance, Network Economics, Urban Economics, Constitutional Law GPA: 3.76/4.0

## Skills

- R, Github, Stata, Writing, Project Management, Executive Communications, Data Analysis, Microsoft Office

## Work Experience

**The Urban Institute**

June 2020 – present

*Research Assistant*

- Draft briefs related to international affordable housing policy and alternative financing mechanisms for public and affordable housing
- Lead analysis (in R) on financial health of community-based development organizations (CBDOs)
- Interface with 100+ high-level stakeholders managing outreach and communications for 5 housing policy roundtables
- Lead stakeholder interviews and conduct qualitative analysis across multiple projects
- Present at meetings, provide technical assistance to grant program “sites” focused on using technology and data for justice and equity in the criminal justice system
- Co-drafted \$2 million grant for housing related research, managed grant writing process and cross-team coordination (grant secured)

**Parametric Portfolio Associates**

June 2019 - August 2019

*Investment Strategy (Quantitative) Research Intern*

Minneapolis, MN

- Developed a transaction cost analysis spreadsheet to help the trading team better understand the indirect costs incurred through trading (via the bid-ask spread capture)
- Drafted research deck for a client on predicted tracking error when replicating futures contracts as part of their alternative investment strategy

**Greater Manchester Combined Authority**

June 2018 - July 2018

*Planning and Housing Research Fellow*

Manchester, UK

- Researched and drafted a Green Paper on the state of affordable housing in Greater Manchester to serve as a brief for local policymakers
- Completed a research deck analyzing residential planning permissions to understand why build out rates have slowed across Greater Manchester’s 10 boroughs.

## Academic Research Experience

**Boston University Department of Political Science**

January 2019 - May 2019

*Research Assistant, Professor Katherine Einstein*

Boston, MA

- Analyzed data sets related to construction approvals in zoning and planning board meeting minutes for the state of Massachusetts.
- Compiled propriety dataset documenting how states designated Opportunity Zones within their jurisdictions.

## Leadership and Activities

**Harvard College Events Board**

January 2020 – May 2020

*Director of Campus Life*

- Lead and manage team of 2 other students planning, budgeting, and executing cross-college events.

**Harvard College Club Jiu Jitsu**

January 2019 – December 2019

**Boston University Residence Hall Association**

September 2017 – December 2018

*Event Coordinator*

- Managed a budget of \$13,000 planning events to engage students in residential life.
- Led team of 4 people to organize and execute successful events, 300+ event attendees.