

Paul L. McDonnold
Economics Writer and Journalist

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Self-Employed Writer and Journalist (2006 – Present)

- **Skills: Economic Analysis, Original Reporting, Narrative Journalism, Explanatory Journalism**
- Writing for print and online media such as *The Daily Economy*, *National Affairs*, *The Dispatch*, *The Christian Science Monitor*, *The Baltimore Sun*, *World Magazine*, *Texas Monthly*, *D Magazine*, *Narratively*, *JStor Daily* and others, often but not exclusively on the economy from a classically liberal perspective.
- Interviewing both prominent and everyday people, including hedge funder J. Kyle Bass (for *Texas Monthly*), economist Alex Tabarrok (for *The Dispatch*), and politicians Tom Cotton (for *Arkansas Life*) and Asa Hutchinson (for *Arkansas Money and Politics*).
- Longform true crime story for *Arkansas Life*, *Come Looking for Me if I'm Not Back*, awarded second place for magazine newswriting at 2016 Diamond Journalism Awards.
- Offering ghostwriting and communications consulting at the intersection of journalism, the economy and creative storytelling.

EARLY PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Eight years in analytical roles involving report writing and data modeling:

- Econometric Analyst at Decision Analyst in Arlington, Texas
- Tariff Analyst at TXU Energy in Dallas, Texas
- Marketing Research Analyst at VHA in Irving, Texas
- Credit Analyst at Klein Bank and MetroBank in Houston, Texas

Three years teaching Principles of Macroeconomics as a graduate teaching fellow and later adjunct faculty:

- University of North Texas in Denton, Texas
- University of Delaware in Newark, Delaware
- North Lake College in Irving, Texas (Dallas County Community College District)

EDUCATION

Master of Liberal Arts candidate in Journalism

Harvard University Extension School

- Completed 20 Credit Hours (part time). Elective focus on creative writing. Expected graduation May 2029.
- Interested in the future of journalism and the news, alternative business models and the impact of AI.
- Feature Writing class project, *The Pool Abides*, published in the September 2025 issue of *D Magazine*.
- Proseminar class project adapted into the essay *Reviving America's Inner Cities*, published in the Fall 2026 issue of *National Affairs* magazine.

Master of Science in Economic Research

University of North Texas

- Minor in Finance

Bachelor of Science in Economics

Texas A&M University

- Minor in Business Management