Phil Dean

EXPERIENCE

Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, University of Utah (Salt Lake City) January 2021–present Chief Economist

Public Finance Senior Research Fellow

Research and public present on issues related to public finance and economics. Key topics include Utah's economy, Utah's state and local tax system and user fees, economic growth, labor markets, state structural budget balance, budget management over the business cycle, and public communications.

Governor's Office of Management and Budget, State of Utah (Salt Lake City) July 2013–January 2021

Executive Director

State Budget Director and Chief Economist

Manager of Budget and Policy

Directed Governor's Office of Management and Budget functions, including hiring, developing, and managing a team of budget analysts and economists; developed State of Utah's executive budget, working directly with Governor Herbert and Governor Cox to develop budget and policy recommendations; worked directly with Utah Legislature's leadership and other legislators to advance the Governor's recommendations; presented to bond rating agencies on the State of Utah's budget and economy to help secure AAA bonding rating; analyzed and reported on Utah's economy and produced economic forecasts; represented Governor Herbert on various state boards, including chairing the Executive Water Finance Board and serving on the State Water Development Commission; and served on the Executive Committee of the National Association of State Budget Officers (NASBO).

Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, State of Utah (Salt Lake City) June 2004–July 2013 Legislative Policy Analyst

Staffed various committees of the Utah Legislature, including Revenue & Taxation and Education policy committees. Provided written and oral policy analysis on tax, education, water, and other issues to Utah legislators. Drafted bills. Researched, outlined, and concisely presented tax reform options.

Department of Finance, State of California (Sacramento) May 2001 – June 2004

Finance Budget Analyst

Provided written and oral analysis and policy recommendations to the State of California's Director of Finance, Chief of Staff, and other senior Administration advisors. Testified before legislative subcommittees presenting Administration's position. Completed various control and oversight functions.

University of Utah (Salt Lake City) – May 2021 - present

Brigham Young University - Salt Lake Center (Salt Lake City) January 2014-present

Utah Valley University (Orem) August 2012-present

Adjunct Instructor

Teach courses in economics, public finance, public policy, public budgeting, and quantitative analysis.

EDUCATION DEGREES

• Master's Degree – Economics December 2009

Department of Economics, University of Utah (Salt Lake City)

• Master's Degree - Public Administration April 2001

Marriott School of Management, Brigham Young University (Provo)

Bachelor's Degree – Political Science and Spanish August 1997
Brigham Young University (Provo)