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EDUCATION

Ph.D., Economics, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri	May 2005
A.M., Economics, Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri	2001
B.A., Foreign Languages, Wheaton College, Wheaton, Illinois	1996

CURRENT POSITION

Assistant Professor of Economics and International Affairs
The George Washington University August 2005 – Present

DISSERTATION

Essays on Macroeconomics and the Labor Market

Committee: James Morley (chair), Gaetano Antinolfi, Steven Fazzari,
Edward Geenberg, Siddhartha Chib, and Angela Davis

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION

Macroeconomics, Time Series Econometrics

PUBLICATIONS

“Asymmetry in the Business Cycle: Friedman’s Plucking Model with Correlated Innovations,”
forthcoming in *Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics*.

“The Relationships between Permanent and Transitory Movements in U.S. Output and the
Unemployment Rate,” *Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking* Vol. 41, No. 2–3 (March–April 2009).

“Forecast Evaluation of AveAve Forecasts in the Global VAR Context” with H.O. Stekler.
forthcoming in *International Journal of Forecasting* (invited commentary).

“Directional Forecasts of GDP and Inflation: A Joint Evaluation with an Application to Federal
Reserve Predictions” with H.O. Stekler and Lindsay Kitzinger. *Applied Economics* (forthcoming).

“Searching for Better Prospects: Endogenizing Falling Job Tenure and Pension Coverage,” with
Leora Friedberg and Michael Owyang. *Topics in Economic Analysis & Policy*: Vol. 6: No. 1, Article 14
(2006).

“The Differential Approach to Superlative Index Number Theory,” with William A. Barnett and Ki-
Hong Choi. *Journal of Agricultural and Applied Economics*, 2003 Supplement (December, 2002).

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WORKING PAPERS

“Bootstrap Tests of Stationarity,” with James Morley.

“Output Fluctuations in the G-7: An Unobserved Components Approach,” with Sinchan Mitra.

“Jointly Evaluating GDP and Inflation Forecasts in the Context of the Taylor Rule” with Edward N. Gamber, H.O. Stekler and Elizabeth Reid.

“Can the Fed Predict the State of the Economy?” with Fred Joutz and H.O. Stekler.

“How Well Does “Core” CPI Measure Long-Run Inflation?” with Michael Bradley and Dennis Jansen.

“Permanent and Transitory Macroeconomic Relationships between the US and China,” with Yueqing Jia.

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Cointegration Analysis with Unobserved Components Models,” with James Morley.

“Monetary Policy Shocks and the Taylor Rule,” with Ed Gamber.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, The George Washington University	2005 – present
Introduction to Econometrics	Fall 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009
Intermediate Macroeconomics	Fall 2005, 2007, 2008; Spring 2006, 2007, 2008
Graduate Laboratory in Applied Econometrics – Macroeconomics	Spring 2009
Instructor, Dept. of Economics, Washington University in St. Louis	2002 – 2004
Introductory Macroeconomics	Summer 2002, 2003; Spring 2004
Economics of the European Union	Fall 2003
Instructor, Dept. of Economics, University of Missouri, St. Louis	2002 – 2004
Introductory Macroeconomics	Fall 2002, 2003; Spring 2004
Quantitative Methods and Modeling	Spring 2003, 2004

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Scholar, Round Table Group	October 2008 – Present
Independent Contractor, LMI Government Consulting	April 2008 – Present
Council Member, Gerson Lehrman Group	April 2007 – Present
Visiting Economist, Research Department, Federal Reserve Bank, St. Louis, Missouri	May 2004
Visiting Scholar, Research Department, Federal Reserve Bank, St. Louis, Missouri	Fall 2002
Real Estate Appraisal Analyst, Prime Appraisal, LLC, Chicago, Illinois	1996 – 2000

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CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

Macro and International Economics Workshop at Texas A&M	November 2009
University of Kansas, Department of Economics Seminar	November 2009
Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City Economics Seminar	November 2009
The Long Run Impacts of Short Run Fluctuations, Brookings Institution	November 2009
Economics Research Seminar, Universität Münster, Germany	June 2009
Research Seminar, Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW), Germany	June 2009
Challenges to Inflation in an Era of Relative Price Shocks Conference	June 2009
Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics Symposium	March 2006, 2007; April 2009
UC-Riverside Business Cycles Conference	April 2009
First Macroeconomics Conference in Rome, Italy	March 2009
University of Memphis Economics Department Seminar	February 2009
Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings	November 2005 2008
Richmond University Department of Economics Seminar	November 2008
Wesleyan University Economics Department Seminar	October 2008
Washington Statistical Society Brownbag Discussant	September 2008
West Virginia University, Department of Economics Seminar	August 2008
Centre for International Macroeconomics and Finance, Cambridge, UK, UC Workshop	July 2008
Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich Seminar	June 2008
Universidad Complutense de Madrid Seminar	June 2008
Federal Forecasters Conference	April 2008, September 2009
Lafayette College New Economic Research Development Series Seminar	April 2008
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas Seminar	March 2008
Federal Reserve Board, International Finance Division Seminar	March 2008
Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam Econometrics Seminar	March 2008
Trade and Development Workshop, GW Department of Economics	November 2007
Brownbag Seminar Series on Forecasting, Washington, DC	October 2007, January 2007
Midwest Econometrics Group	October 2007, 2004
University of Vermont Economics Dept. Seminar	October 2007
University at Albany (SUNY), Dept. of Economics Seminar	September 2007, October 2009
College of Charleston (SC), Dept. of Economics and Finance Seminar	September 2007
Macro-International Seminar, GW Department of Economics	September 2007, October 2005
Conference on Computing in Economics and Finance	June 2008, 2007, 2005
International Symposium on Forecasting	June 2007
SHERPPA Seminar at the University of Ghent, Belgium	March 2007
Eastern Economics Association Annual Conference	February 2007
Federal Reserve Board Seminar	April 2006
Econometrics Seminar, University of Houston	March 2006
Missouri Economics Conference	April 2003, 2005
Western Economic Association International Conference	July 2003, 2004
Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting	March 2003, 2004
Econometric Society Summer Meetings	June 2003
Missouri Valley Economics Association Meeting	March 2003

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AWARDS AND GRANTS

Student Choice Nominee for GWU Service Excellence Award	2008
CIBER research grant	2008 – 2009
CCAS/UFF research grant	Summer 2008, Summer 2009
GWIPP Policy Research Scholar	2008-2009
Weidenbaum Center Competitive Research Grants	Summer 2005 and 2005 – 2006
Association of Women Faculty Graduate Student Award	2005
Dean's Award for Teaching Excellence	2004 – 2005
Biography published in <i>The Chancellor's List</i>	2004 – 2005, 2005 – 2006
Dissertation Fellowship	2004 – 2005
Senior Teaching Fellow, Washington University	Fall 2003
Competitive Summer Research Grants, Washington University	2002, 2003, 2004
Competitive International Pre-Dissertation Research Grant, Washington University	2002
University Fellowship, Washington University	2000 – 2001

SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

Member of the Program Committee for SNDE 18th Annual Symposium	2009 – 2010
Co-Director of the GWU Research Program on Forecasting	2008 – present
Member, Federal Forecasters Consortium Governing Board	2008 – present
Organizer, SIG on Time Series Analysis, Society for Computational Economics	2007 – present
Member, Organizing Committee, 2008 CEF Conference	2007 – 2008
Affiliated Faculty, Institute for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies, ESIA	2007 – present
Affiliated Faculty, Institute for International Economic Policy, ESIA	2007 – present
Contributor to the Philadelphia Fed's Survey of Professional Forecasters	2006 – present
Member of the GWU Research Program on Forecasting	2006 – present
GWU Department of Economics PhD Committee Member	2006 – present
GWU Department of Economics Library Representative	2006 – 2008
GWU Dept. of Economics Macro-International Seminar Contributing Organizer	2005 – present
Referee: <i>Journal of Business & Economic Statistics, Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, International Journal of Forecasting, Applied Economics, Journal of Population Economics</i>	
Textbook Proposal Evaluator, Blackwell Publishing, Economics	
Member: Econometric Society, American Economic Association, AEA Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (CSWEP), Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics, Society for Computational Economics, Euro Area Business Cycle Network, American Statistical Association.	

PRESS QUOTES AND APPEARANCES

The Huffington Post, Dutch Public TV, Atlantic Television News, Fox 5 News, BBC TV and Radio, Voice of America, America Abroad Media, Germany's ARD Television, *Medill Reports*, *American Observer*, *Congressional Quarterly*, Al Jazeera Malaysia Radio, Al Jazeera English TV, Dow Jones Newswire, Russian News Info, Bloomberg.com, Bloomberg TV, Alhurra TV, CBN TV.

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Fluent in French, awarded the Diplôme Approfondi de la Langue Française	1995
Proficient in German	