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- ‘Oil Prices May Make US Voters Swing’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Canberra Times*, 5 November 2002
- ‘To Banish Hatred, we Must Understand It’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Australian Financial Review*, 1 November 2002
- ‘Coverage of Bali Tragedy Shows How Australia Misses the Bus in America’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Sydney Morning Herald*, 1 November 2002
- ‘Train the Politicians First’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Canberra Times*, 10 September 2002
- ‘Baseball Could Learn a Few Things from Australia’ (with Justin Wolfers), *The New York Times*, 1 September 2002
- ‘Numbers Crunch Salary Cap’s Logic’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Sydney Morning Herald*, 26 August 2002
- ‘Hardly Family Friendly’ (with Justin Wolfers), *The West Australian*, 20 June 2002
- ‘Smaller Classes Become Big Issue’ (with Justin Wolfers), *The Australian*, 1 June 2002
- ‘Bowling Along’, *Australian Policy Online*, 29 May 2002
- ‘If That City’s Where the Boys Are, Then it Has to be Fabulous’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Sydney Morning Herald*, 13 May 2002
- ‘A Crisis of Trust That Bodes Ill for Society’, *Canberra Times*, 12 March 2002
- ‘Political Vision Required to Spur a New Kind of Public Spirit’, *Sydney Morning Herald*, 15 February 2002
- ‘Winner Takes All’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Sydney Morning Herald*, 29 September 2001
- ‘Social Policy Requires a Fresh Focus’, *Canberra Times*, 3 July 2001
- ‘Take the Money and Run... or Wrestle’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Sydney Morning Herald*, 15 May 2001
- ‘A Jobs Miracle That has Baffled the Experts’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Canberra Times*, 5 March 2001
- ‘Howard Dumbs Down Policy Debate’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Australian Financial Review*, 6 July 2000
- ‘Unfair Admissions Index?’ (with Justin Wolfers), *Sydney Morning Herald*, 13 December 1999
- ‘Abortion’s Secret Legacy’ (with Justin Wolfers), *The Age*, 27 November 1999

Teaching Experience

- *Using Research Evidence*, Four-part lecture series for the Australian Treasury (8/08-9/08)
- *Economics for Government*, Crawford School of Economics and Government, Australian National University, 2006 (Overall Rating: 6.0/7), 2007 (Overall Rating: 5.5/7) and 2008 (Overall Rating: 5.6/7).
- *Economics and Public Policy*, Melbourne Business School, University of Melbourne, 2006 (Overall Rating: 4.3/5)
- *Policy Economics*, Crawford School of Economics and Government, Australian National University, 2005 (Overall Rating: 5.9/7)
- *Basic Principles of Market and Policy Economics*, Intensive Workshop, Department of Family and Community Services, 2005

Visiting Appointments

- Ford School, University of Michigan (Oct-Nov 2008)
- Research Institute of Industrial Economics (IFN), Stockholm (May 2008)
- Wagner School, New York University (Jul 2007)
- Melbourne Business School (Jan-April 2006)

Non-Academic Employment

- Principal Adviser, Australian Treasury (Jul-Sep 2008, Dec 2008-Feb 2009)
- Summer Fellow, Progressive Policy Institute, Washington DC (2001)
- Senior Adviser to Senator Peter Cook, Deputy Leader of the Opposition in the Senate (1998-2000)
- Admitted as a legal practitioner in the state of New South Wales (1998)
- Lawyer, Clifford Chance, London (1998)
- Associate (Law Clerk) to Justice Michael Kirby, High Court of Australia (1997-98)
- Lawyer, Minter Ellison, Sydney (part time in 1995-96, full time in 1997)

Professional Involvement

Honors and Awards: Participant in Australia 2020 Summit (2008); Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia Early Career Award (2006); Best Discussant Award, Annual PhD Conference in Economics and Business (2006); Garran Oration, Institute of Public Administration Australia (2004).

Invited Economics Presentations: University of Michigan (11/08); University of Wisconsin-Madison (11/08); University of California, Berkeley (11/08); Australian National University Centre for Aboriginal Economic Policy Research (10/08); Research Institute of Industrial Economics, Sweden (5/08); NSW Economics Society (2/08); Columbia University (7/07); New York University (11/08, 7/07); New York Federal Reserve (7/07); Melbourne Business School (6/07); University of Sydney (10/07, 9/06); University of NSW (9/06, 10/04); University of Melbourne (10/07, 11/06, 4/06, 11/04, 12/03); Australian National University Economics (3/08, 5/07, 4/07, 10/06, 8/06, 3/06, 6/05, 3/05, 11/04); Australian National University Political Science (12/07, 8/07, 10/04); Australian National University Public Policy (8/06, 12/03); University of Wollongong (5/06); RMIT (4/06); La Trobe University (4/06); University of Queensland (2/08, 3/06); Queensland University of Technology (3/06); University of Canberra (11/06, 8/05); Public Policy Institute of California (6/05, 2/04); Adelaide University (4/05); University of South Australia (4/05); Monash University (7/08, 4/05); Australian Defence Force Academy (4/05); Reserve Bank of Australia (2/05, 7/03); ACT Economics Society (3/08, 10/04); Tufts University (2/04); Conference on Top Incomes, Nuffield College, Oxford (9/03); Fulbright Symposium, Brisbane (7/03); University of Technology, Sydney (7/02).

Academic Conference Presentations: Economics and Democracy Conference, ANU (12/08); National Tax Association, Philadelphia (11/08); Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Conference, Los Angeles (11/08); ANU Conference on Taxation and Public Finance (6/08); SOFI/IFN Workshop on Income Distribution, Sweden (5/08); American Economic Association Annual Meetings (1/04, 1/08); NBER Economics of Education program meetings (4/06); ZEW Conference on Wage Growth and Mobility, Mannheim, Germany (3/06); Howard Decade Conference (3/06); Democratic Audit Workshop (2/06); Australian Labour Market Research Workshop (12/05); HILDA Survey Conference (9/05); NBER Summer Institute (7/05); IZA/SOLE Transatlantic Meetings, Germany (6/05); Society of Labor Economists Annual Meetings (6/05, 4/04); Social Policy Evaluation Annual Conference (2/05); Australian Conference of Economists (9/05, 9/04); Australasian Political Science Association (9/04); Labour Econometrics Workshop (8/04, 8/06, 4/08); Australian Social Policy Conference (7/03).

Invited Policy Presentations or Public Lectures: University of Wisconsin-Madison (11/08); Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia & Skills Australia Seminar (9/08); CIS Consilium (8/08); Australian Skeptics (6/08); Melbourne Institute Public Economics Forum (4/08); Melbourne Institute Economic and Social Outlook Conference (3/08); Social Policy in the City (10/07); Cape York Institute (8/07); ACT ARM Annual Dinner (6/07); Government Policy and Innovation Conference (10/06); IPAA Western Australia (8/06); IPAA Young Professionals Network (5/06); Brotherhood of St Laurence (4/06); Brisbane Festival of Ideas (3/06); Schooling for the 21st Century Conference, ANZSOG (9/05); Social Capital and Public Spaces, Parks Forum Seminar Series (9/05); Executive Breakfast, IPAA Brisbane (8/05); International Conference on Engaging Communities (8/05); Designing Public Policies and Programs Course, ANZSOG (8/05); Sydney Leadership (6/05, 6/08); Australian Davos Connection Future Summit (5/05); International Networking for Educational Transformation Conference (4/05); Heads of Australian Country Operations Retreat (3/05); International Association for Public Participation Conference (3/05); Leaders Institute of South Australia (2/05); Economics of Education presentation, Window on Economics workshop, Melbourne (2/05); Garran Oration, Institute of Public Administration Australia (11/04); OzProspect Public Lecture, Melbourne (9/04).

Invited Government Presentations: Earned Income Tax Credits presentation, Australian Treasury (12/08); Randomised Trials presentation, Australian Treasury (8/08); Research overview, Australian Treasury (7/08); Unemployment presentation, ACT Government (12/07); Randomised Trials presentation, Department of

Education, Science and Training (11/07); Carers presentation, Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (11/07); Teacher Quality presentation, Australian Treasury (8/07); School Productivity presentation, Australian Treasury (8/07); Indigenous Education presentation, Department of Families, Community Services and Indigenous Affairs (11/06); Returns to Education presentation, Victorian Department of Education and Training (11/06); Evaluation presentation, Queensland Department of Premier and Cabinet (6/06, 8/06); Future Thinking presentation, State Services Authority of Victoria (2/06); HECS presentation, Australian Taxation Office (1/06); Teacher Quality presentation, Education Queensland (8/05); Randomised Trials presentation, Queensland Department of Premier and Cabinet (8/05); Budget Forum, Parliament House (5/05); Minimum Wage presentation, Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (3/05); Earned Income Tax Credits presentation, Australian Treasury (11/04); Social Policy presentation, Victorian Department of Premier and Cabinet (9/04).

Discussant: Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management Fall Conference, Los Angeles (11/08); Labour Econometrics Workshop (8/07, 8/06, 8/05); An International Perspective on Immigration and Immigration Policy Conference (11/06); Annual PhD Conference in Economics and Business (11/04, 11/06); Academy of the Social Sciences in Australia Workshop (3/05); Social Policy Evaluation Annual Conference (2/05); Poverty, Inequality, Labour Market and Welfare Reform in China (8/04); Society of Labor Economists Annual Meetings (4/04).

Referee: American Economic Review, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, American Journal of Political Science, Economic Journal, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Population Economics, Agenda, Australian Economic Review, Australian Journal of Labour Economics, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, Australian Journal of Political Science, Australian Journal of Public Administration, Australian Journal of Social Issues, Australasian Journal on Ageing, BE Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, British Journal of Political Science, China Economic Review, Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), Economic and Social Review, Economic Papers, Economic Record, Economics and Human Biology, Economics and Politics, Economics of Education Review, Education Finance and Policy, Education Next, Epidemiology, European Journal of Political Economy, Federation Press, Fiscal Studies, Higher Education Research and Development, Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Journal of Banking and Finance, Journal of Human Capital, Journal of Political Philosophy, Journal of Socio-Economics, Labour Economics, National Tax Journal, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Oxford University Press, Public Administration, Public Policy, Routledge Press, Review of Income and Wealth, Social Science and Medicine.

Grant Refereeing: Reader for the Australian Research Council (2006-); Reviewer for the US National Science Foundation (2008); Reviewer for the Australian Development Research Awards (2008); External Assessor for the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (2006); Evaluator for the Innovations in American Government Competition (2002).

Thesis Examination: External PhD examiner for Monash University and the University of Queensland. Honours thesis examiner for Queensland University of Technology.

Policy Advice: Policy adviser to the Australian Council of Social Service (2007-). Provided feedback on draft reports for most major Australian think-tanks, including the Lowy Institute, Per Capita, the Cape York Institute, the Centre for Independent Studies, and the Committee for Economic Development of Australia.

University Administration: Chair of the College of Arts and Social Sciences Research Committee (2008); Member of the Research School of Social Sciences School Executive (2006-); Theme Leader for the 'Productive Australia in the World Economy' theme (2006-); Member of the Economics PhD Coordination Committee (2006-08); Editor of the ANU Centre for Economic Policy Research discussion paper series (2005-).

Conference Organisation: Economics and Democracy Conference (8-10 Dec 2008, 90 attendees); New Techniques in Development Economics Conference (19-20 Jun 2008, 100 attendees); Australasian Labour Econometrics Workshop (25-26 Apr 2008, 50 attendees); ANU Economics Showcase (28-29 Nov 2007, 70 attendees); ANU Conference on 'The Economics of Teacher Quality' (5 Feb 2007, 70 attendees); ANU Conference on 'Inequality in Australia' (2 Nov 2006, 50 attendees); ANU Symposium on 'Social Capital in Australia' (29 Aug 2005, 90 attendees).

Publications: Over 50 peer-reviewed journal articles (including in the *American Economic Review*, *Economic Journal*, *Journal of Public Economics*, and *Journal of Health Economics*), over 20 other articles and book reviews; 1 co-authored book; 1 co-edited book; 6 book chapters; 3 policy reports; 3 encyclopedia entries, over 100 opinion pieces.

Media: Research has been regularly featured on radio and TV, and in the *Age*, *Australian*, *Australian Financial Review*, *Christian Science Monitor*, *Daily Telegraph*, *Economist*, *Financial Times*, *New York Times*, *Sydney Morning Herald*, *Time* and *Washington Post*.

Consulting: Completed a variety of consulting projects for state and federal governments and the private sector; including on education, labour markets, program evaluation, and think-tank development.

Public Engagement: Columnist for the *Australian Financial Review*; economics blog at andrewleigh.com.

Grants

- \$295,000 from the Australian Research Council for research on ‘Economic Inequality: Trends, Causes and Consequences’ (2009-11)
- \$250,000 from AusAID for research on financial literacy (2008-10) (with Dean Karlan and Chona Echavez)
- \$172,000 from the Australian Research Council for research on ‘The Impact of Crime on Mental Wellbeing’ (2007-08) (Linkage International grant with Francesca Cornaglia and Christian Dustmann, who were also awarded £100,000 from the UK Economic and Social Research Council)
- \$210,000 from the Australian Research Council for research on ‘Understanding and Improving Teacher Quality’ (2006-08)
- \$60,000 from AusAID for a conference on development economics (2008)
- \$7000 from the ANU College of Business & Economics for a conference on the Economics of Teacher Quality (2006)
- \$5000 from the ANU College of Business & Economics for the 11th Labour Econometrics Workshop (2008)
- \$2000 from the National Institute of Economics and Business for a symposium on Social Capital (2005)