

Present Position

Program Coordinator, "Globalization, Economics and Business," Women's Leadership Program and Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, George Washington University, August 2007-present.

Previous Positions

- International Economist [Instructor] (May 2005-May 2007), Foreign Service Institute (Economic and Commercial Studies Division), U.S. Department of State.
- Associate Professor [with tenure] (August 2002 – May 2005), Department of Economics, United States Naval Academy.
- Assistant Professor (August 1997 – August 2002), Department of Economics, United States Naval Academy.
- Fulbright Scholar and Lecturer (February 2000 – October 2000), University of Pretoria, South Africa.
- Foreign Instructor (August 1990 – July 1992), Department of International Trade, College of Economics, Yunnan University, People's Republic of China.

Education

- BA, Oberlin College, 1990.
- MS, Applied Statistics, Syracuse University, 1997.
- PhD, Economics, Syracuse University, 1997.

Research Interests

Foreign Direct Investment in Africa; Foreign Aid, NGOs and Economic Development; and HIV/AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa

Languages

German (fluent), French (advanced), Mandarin Chinese (advanced), Spanish (beginning).

Research in Progress

Rubber, Race and Revolution: A History of the Firestone Tire and Rubber Company in Liberia, book manuscript.

"The Firestone Natural Rubber Company in Liberia: Challenges of Operating in a Post-Conflict Country," [Case Study including "Instructor's Guide" and "Student Questions"] funded by GW-Committee on International Business Education Research.

"Mr. Firestone, what are you up to? W.E.B. DuBois, Marcus Garvey, Harvey Firestone and the race of American capital for Liberia." Abstract accepted to the *National Association of African American Studies (& Affiliates) 2010 Conference*, Baton Rouge, LA, February 2010.

"Entrepreneurial Capture in Pre-Conflict Liberia," presented at the *UN-WIDER Conference on "Entrepreneurship and Conflict"*, Londonderry, Northern Ireland, March 2009. Accepted for UN-WIDER (United Nations World Institute for Development Economics Research) Working Paper Series.

“Monopsony and Fragile Developing Country Labor Markets: A Case Study in Liberia’s Past Development and Current Post-Conflict Reconstruction” co-author with Chris Perrin.

Publications

McCoskey, S.K. (2009) “NGOs in the Aid Community: Do Funding Source or Economic Conditioning Matter to Decisions of Country Involvement?” *Journal of Humanitarian Assistance*, February 29, <http://jha.ac/>.

Whitehead, J., de Wet, A. and S.K. McCoskey (2004) “An Analysis of Contributing Factors to Deviations in the Law of One Price [US versus South Africa],” *Journal of Studies in Economics and Econometrics*, 28 (2).

Moolman, E. and S.K. McCoskey (2003) “The Impact of Misdiagnosing a Structural Break on Standard Unit Root Tests: Monte Carlo Results for Small Sample and Size,” *Journal of Studies in Economics and Econometrics*, 27 (1).

McCoskey, S. K. (2002) “Convergence in Sub-Saharan Africa: A Non-Stationary Panel Approach.” *Applied Economics*, 34 (7).

Moolman, E. and S.K. McCoskey (2002) “On the Long-run Intdependence of Stock Markets: A Tale of Correlations, Autoregressions and Decompositions,” *South African Journal of Economic and Management Sciences*, 5 (3).

Dutkowsky, D and S.K. McCoskey (2001) “Near Integration, Bank Reluctance and Aggregate Discount Window Borrowing,” *Journal of Banking and Finance*, 25 (6).

McCoskey S. K. and C. Kao (2001) “Comparing Panel Data Cointegration Tests with an Application to the “Twin Deficits” Problem,” *Journal of Propagations in Probability and Statistics*, 1 (2).

McCoskey, S. K. and C. Kao (1999) “Testing the Stability of a Production Function with Urbanization as a Shift Factor,” *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*, 61 (Special Issue).

Chen, B., S.K. McCoskey, and C. Kao (1999) “Estimation and Inference of a Cointegrated Regression in Panel Data,” *American Journal of Mathematical and Management Sciences*, 19 (1).

McCoskey, S. K. and T. Selden (1998) “Health Care Expenditures and GDP: Panel Data Unit Root Test Results,” *Journal of Health Economics*, 17 (3).

McCoskey, S.K. and C. Kao (1998) “A Residual-Based Test of the Null of Cointegration in Panel Data,” *Econometric Reviews*, 17 (1).

McCoskey, S. K. (1998) “What is an Econometrician,” *Association for Women in Science Magazine* 27 (1). [non-refereed publication]

Selected Presentations

“Nature or Nurture: The Firestone Plantation Company in William V.S. Tubman’s Liberia (1944-1971),” presented at the *XVth World Economic History Congress*, Utrecht, Netherlands, August 2009.

“When Firestone Entered Liberia: Constructing the American Tropical Capitalist of the 1920s,” presented at the *Economic Business Historical Society Meeting*, Montgomery, Alabama, April 2008.

“HIV/AIDS and Food Security in Sub-Saharan Africa: The Role of Foreign Assistance,” presented at seminar for the Economic Research Service, USDA, December 20, 2006.

“US-Based NGOs in the Aid Community: Friends or Foils in the Promotion of the Washington Consensus,” presented at *The Political Economy of Aid: 2nd Annual HWWA-Conference on Public Choice and Development*, Hamburg, Germany, 2004.

“A Spatial Correlation Based Study of the Incidence of HIV-AIDS in Sub-Saharan Africa,” presented at the *Eighth Annual Conference on Econometric Modeling for Africa*, Stellenbosch, South Africa, July 2003.

“On the Interaction of Gender and Growth [in Sub-Saharan Africa]” (with Reneé Koekemoer) presented at the *Sixth Annual Conference on Econometric Modeling for Africa*, Pretoria, South Africa, July 2001.

“Income Convergence in Sub-Saharan Africa,” presented at the *Fifth Annual Conference on Econometric Modeling for Africa*, Johannesburg, South Africa, July 2000.

“How Does Your Output Grow?” (with Chihwa Kao) presented at the *Eighth International Conference on Panel Data*, Goteburg, Sweden, June 1998.

Grants/Fellowships/Sponsored Research

- Recipient GW-CIBER, “Surviving (Even Thriving?) Under Excessive Volatility: A Case Study of the Firestone Plantation Company in Liberia from 1980-2007,” funded one month stay in Monrovia, Liberia, July 2009.
 - Grant Participant, The George Washington University/BRAC University Faculty Exchange, Dhaka, Bangladesh, August 11-23, 2008.
 - Recipient, George Washington University UFF/Dilthey (Columbian College of Arts and Sciences), “The Impact of Firestone Tire and Rubber on Liberia’s Growth and Development, 1926-1960,” funded summer research, July-August, 2008.
 - Invited Panel Data Lecturer, Mellon Node Grant: Capacity Building Workshop for Analysis on Household Level HIV-AIDS data, Centre for Health Systems Research and Development, University of the Free State, South Africa, July 2004.
 - Grant Recipient, *Alumni Initiative Awards Program* (Fulbright) for project “Cooperative Project for Curriculum and Teaching Enhancement” (The University of Pretoria and the Naval Academy) 2003-2004.
 - Fulbright Scholar/Lecturer, Department of Economics, University of Pretoria, Pretoria, South Africa, January – October 2000.
 - Grant Recipient, *Naval Academy Research Council* (NARC) funded summer research support: 1998, 1999, 2000, 2002.
 - Grant Recipient, *Association for Asian Studies Southeast Asia Council Small Grant for Isolated Scholars* (with Alex Stricker) for the project “The Effects of Border Trade on Development and Urbanization in Yunnan Province and Southeast Asia,” Summer 1995.
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Teaching Experience

The George Washington University, May, 2007 – present. Undergraduate courses taught: *Economic Development and Principles of Economics I and II (microeconomics and macroeconomics)*. Graduate course (PhD): *Econometrics I*.

U.S. State Department, Foreign Service Institute, May, 2005- May, 2007. Taught and developed curriculum for nine-month training for mid-career economics Foreign Service Officers and assorted short courses for entry-level and mid-career FSOs.

- Nine-month course. Courses Taught: *Statistics, International Trade Theory, Applied Microeconomics Seminar*. Prepared Lecture Topics: “Some Economic Models of Food Aid,” “The Economics of Intellectual Property Rights,” “Asymmetric Information [applied to Conflict Diamonds],” “Foreign Aid,” “Offshoring: The New Twist on Trade,” and “The Economics of HIV/AIDS.”
- Assorted other courses. Co-Course Coordinator PE151: *HIV/AIDS*; Course Coordinator PE138: *Intellectual Property Rights*; PE305: *ESTH Tradecraft*; PE131: *Telecomm*; and PE150: *Biotech Issues*; Lecturer PE220 *Political/Economic Tradecraft*.

United States Naval Academy, 1997-2005. Undergraduate Courses include: *Economic Development and Growth, International Trade and Finance, Econometrics, Economic Statistics, and Research Seminars: Time Series Econometrics, Urban Economics and The Role of IGOs and NGOs in Economic Development*.

University of Pretoria, South Africa, 2000, Summer 2002, 2003. Graduate Courses include: *Economic Development, Time Series Econometrics and Panel Data Econometrics*.

Professional Development/Service

- Completed Training for Online Course Facilitator, Socrates Distance Learning Technologies Group, June 2009.
 - External Examiner, Panel Data Econometrics (MA-level), University of Pretoria, Spring 2009.
 - Selection Committee, *Hubert Humphrey Fellowship Program* (Southern Africa Panel), International Institute of Education, Washington DC, 2001-2003; Francophone Africa Panel 2008 and 2009.
 - Completed Distance Learning, *Basic Project Management*, USDA Graduate School, August 2007.
 - Completed Distance Learning, *Introduction to Federal Budgeting*, USDA Graduate School, November 2006.
 - Participant, *Financial Programming*, IMF, May 5-12, 2006.
 - Participant, *Intermediate Leadership (PT207)*, US State Department, Foreign Service Institute, February 2006.
 - Faculty Advisor, *44th Annual Naval Academy Foreign Affairs Council*, Conference Topic: “Post-Conflict Reconstruction;” Roundtable: Humanitarian Relief Needs.
 - Invited Academic Review Panelist, (African Panel) *2003 Educational Partnerships Program* (administered by the Department of State’s Bureau of Education and Cultural Affairs) January 2003.
 - Participant, *Graduate Institute of Epidemiology and Biostatistics*. Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health and Hygiene (audited courses: Infectious Disease Epidemiology, Epidemiology and Public Policy, and Epidemiology of HIV/AIDS), June-July 2001.
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