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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

FACULTY POSITIONS

Associate Professor of Economics and International Affairs The George Washington University	September 2011 – Present
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 Greenberg, Siddhartha Chib, and Angela Davis

FIELDS OF SPECIALIZATION

Macroeconomics, Time Series Econometrics

JOURNAL ARTICLE PUBLICATIONS

Sinclair, Tara M. and H.O. Stekler (forthcoming). “Examining the Quality of Early GDP Component Estimates,” special issue on Flash Indicators of the *International Journal of Forecasting*.

Sinclair, Tara M. (forthcoming). “Forecasting Data Vintages,” special issue on Flash Indicators of the *International Journal of Forecasting*.

Sinclair, Tara M., Edward N. Gamber, H.O. Stekler and Elizabeth Reid (forthcoming). “Jointly Evaluating the Federal Reserve’s Forecasts of GDP Growth and Inflation,” *International Journal of Forecasting*.

Mitra, Sinchan and Tara M. Sinclair (forthcoming). “Output Fluctuations in the G-7: An Unobserved Components Approach,” *Macroeconomic Dynamics*.

Sinclair, Tara M. (2010) “Asymmetry in the Business Cycle: Friedman’s Plucking Model with Correlated Innovations,” *Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics* Vol. 14: Iss. 1, Article 3.

Sinclair, Tara M., Fred Joutz, and H. O. Stekler (2010). “Can the Fed Predict the State of the Economy?” *Economics Letters* Volume 108, Issue 1, July 2010, Pages 28-32.

Sinclair, Tara M., H.O. Stekler and Lindsay Kitzinger (2010) “Directional Forecasts of GDP and Inflation: A Joint Evaluation with an Application to Federal Reserve Predictions.” *Applied Economics*. Volume 42, Issue 18 July 2010, pages 2289 - 2297.

Sinclair, Tara M. (2009) “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).

Sinclair, Tara M. and H. O. Stekler (2009) “Forecast Evaluation of AveAve Forecasts in the Global VAR Context” *International Journal of Forecasting* Vol. 25 (2009), pp. 693-696.

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JOURNAL ARTICLE PUBLICATIONS (continued)

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

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

CONFERENCE PAPERS

Jia, Yueqing and Tara M. Sinclair (forthcoming). “Permanent and Transitory Macroeconomic Relationships between China and the Developed World,” *The Evolving Role of China in the Global Economy* (MIT press conference volume based on the 2010 CESifo Venice Summer Institute Workshop).

WORKING PAPERS

“Mongolia: Measuring the Output Gap,” with Julia Bersch. IMF Working Paper No. 11/79.

“Examining the Quality of Early GDP Component Estimates” with 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.

“A Likelihood Ratio Test of Stationarity,” with James Morley and Irina Panovska.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, The George Washington University 2005 – present

Introduction to Econometrics Fall 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011

Intermediate Macroeconomics Fall 2005, 2007, 2008; Spring 2006, 2007, 2008, 2010, 2011

Proseminar in Economics Spring 2012

Graduate Laboratory in Applied Econometrics – Macroeconomics Spring 2009, Spring 2012

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

2011 Greater New York Metropolitan Econometrics Colloquium, University of Pennsylvania	December 2011
American University Economics Department Seminar	November 2011
The Ohio State University Department of Economics Brownbag Seminar	October 2011
Zicklin School of Business Economics and Finance Seminar, Baruch College, New York, NY	October 2011
7th Annual CIRANO Workshop on Data Revision in Macroeconomic Forecasting and Policy	October 2011
Howard University Economics Department Seminar	September 2011
4th Annual G2 at GW conference sponsored by the Institute for International Economic Policy	September 2011
Weidenbaum Center Media Retreat, Cape Cod	June 2011
Federal Forecasters Conference, Washington, DC	April 2011
California State University, Long Beach economics seminar	April 2011
Society of Government Economics Annual Meeting, Washington, DC	November 2010
NBER/NSF Time Series Conference Poster Presentation, Duke University, Durham, NC	October 2010
Heritage Foundation Academic Seminar Series Presentation, Washington, DC,	October 2010
George Mason School of Public Policy Seminar	September 2010
CESifo Venice Summer Institute Workshop	July 2010
Loyola University Maryland, Department of Economics Seminar	April 2010
William and Mary, Department of Economics Seminar	February 2010
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
Department of Economics Brown Bag Seminar, American University	September 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, 2010
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

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CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (continued)

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

AWARDS AND GRANTS

CCFF research grant	Summer 2008, Summer 2009, Summer 2011
CIBER research grant	2008 – 2009, 2011-2012
Nominated for GWU Bender Teaching Award	2010
Econ 102 Student runner-up in the National Economics Insider contest	Summer 2010
Student Choice Nominee for GWU Service Excellence Award	2008
GW Institute of Public 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
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

Scholar, GW Regulatory Studies Center	2011 – present
Member, Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics (SNDE) Executive Committee	2011 – present
Chair, GWU Department of Economics Computer Committee	2011 – present
Research Affiliate, GW Institute of Public Policy	2008 – present
Scholar, GW-CIBER	2009 – present
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
Affiliated Faculty, Institute for International Economic Policy, ESIA	2007 – present
Affiliated Faculty, Institute for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies, ESIA	2007 – present
Contributor, Philadelphia Fed's Survey of Professional Forecasters	2006 – present
Contributing Organizer, GWU Dept. of Economics Macro-International Seminar	2005 – present
Library Representative, GWU Department of Economics	2006 – present
Local Organizer, SNDE Symposium	2010 – 2011
Member, Program Committee, SNDE Symposium	2010, 2011, 2012
Member, Organizing Committee, CEF Conference	2008, 2011, 2012

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SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS (continued)

Member, GWU Department of Economics MA Committee 2010
Member, GWU Department of Economics PhD Committee 2006 – 2009
Referee: *Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking, Journal of Business & Economic Statistics, Studies in Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Macroeconomic Dynamics, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, International Journal of Forecasting, Applied Economics, Journal of Population Economics, Eastern Economic Journal, The Quarterly Review of Economics and Finance, World Development, IMF Economic Review*
Textbook Reviewer, McGraw-Hill/Irwin
Textbook Proposal Evaluator, Blackwell Publishing, Economics
Handbook Proposal Reviewer, Oxford University Press
Member: American Economic Association, AEA Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (CSWEP), Econometric Society, Euro Area Business Cycle Network.

PRESS QUOTES AND APPEARANCES

New York Times, CNN, Associated Press, C-Span Washington Journal, NPR, Fox Business, CBC Canadian National TV News, *U.S. News & World Report*, *Washington Examiner*, *The Huffington Post*, CNN Radio, Swedish Broadcasting TV, Dutch Public TV, Atlantic Television News, Fox 5 News, NBC 4 News, News Channel 8, BBC TV and Radio, Voice of America, Radio America, America Abroad Media, Germany's ARD Television, *Medill Reports*, *American Observer*, *Congressional Quarterly*, Al Jazeera Malaysia Radio, Al Jazeera English TV, *The Australian Financial Review*, Dow Jones Newswire, Russian News Info, Bloomberg.com, Bloomberg TV, Alhurra TV, CBN TV, InFox Russian TV, Voice of Russia.

BLOG POSTS AND COMMENTARIES

“The Macroeconomic Impact of Regulatory Agency Spending” Institute for International Economic Policy Blog. Posted January 29, 2012. Permalink: <http://internationaleconpolicy.wordpress.com/2012/01/29/the-macroeconomic-impact-of-regulatory-agency-spending/>

“Fed Watching” Institute for International Economic Policy Blog. Posted January 20, 2012. Permalink: <http://internationaleconpolicy.wordpress.com/2012/01/20/fed-watching/>

“The Private Sector Costs of the Regulators’ Budget” with Kathryn Vesey, GW Regulatory Studies Center Regulatory Policy Commentary. Posted December 19, 2011. Permalink: http://www.regulatorystudies.gwu.edu/images/commentary/2011_12_19_reg_priv_costs.pdf

“US Federal Regulatory Budget and Macroeconomic Outcomes: What Do We Know?” Guest Contribution to Econbrowser. Posted December 19, 2011. Permalink: http://www.econbrowser.com/archives/2011/12/guest_contribut_16.html

FOREIGN LANGUAGES

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