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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

Professor of Economics and International Affairs September 2021 – present
The George Washington University
Associate Professor of Economics and International Affairs September 2011 – August 2021
The George Washington University
Visiting Associate Professor of Economics January 2016 – May 2016
The University of Texas at Austin
Assistant Professor of Economics and International Affairs August 2005 – August 2011
The George Washington University

OTHER KEY AFFILIATIONS

Member of the Bureau of Labor Statistics Technical Advisory Committee (BLS TAC) April 2019 – present
Senior Fellow, Indeed Hiring Lab 2016 – present
Research Professor at the Halle Institute for Economic Research (IWH), Halle (Saale), Germany 2016 – present
Research Associate at the Center for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis (CAMA) 2013 – present
Co-Director of the H. O. Stekler Research Program on Forecasting 2008 – present
Affiliated Faculty, Institute for International Economic Policy, ESIA 2007 – 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, Labor Economics, Time Series Econometrics

JOURNAL ARTICLE PUBLICATIONS

Larson, William D. and Tara M. Sinclair (Forthcoming) “Nowcasting Unemployment Insurance Claims in the Time of COVID-19,” Forthcoming in the *International Journal of Forecasting*.

Tien, Pao-Lin, Tara M. Sinclair, and Edward N. Gamber. (2021) “Do Fed Forecast Errors Matter?” *Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics*, Volume 83, Issue 3, Pages 686-712.

Bürgi, Constantin and Tara M. Sinclair (2021) “What Does Forecaster Disagreement Tell Us about the State of the Economy?” *Applied Economics Letters*, Volume 28, Issue 1, pages 49-53.

Jones, Jacob T., Tara M. Sinclair, and Herman O. Stekler (2020) “A Textual Analysis of Bank of England Growth Forecasts” *International Journal of Forecasting*, Volume 36, Issue 4, Pages 1478-1487, Special Section: Text-Based Forecasting.

Mamertino, Mariano and Tara M. Sinclair (2019) “Migration and Online Job Search: A Gravity Model Approach” *Economics Letters* Volume 181, August 2019, Pages 51-53.

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JOURNAL ARTICLE PUBLICATIONS (continued)

Sinclair, Tara M. (2019) “Characteristics and Implications of Chinese Macroeconomic Data Revisions” *International Journal of Forecasting*, Volume 35, Issue 3, Pages 1108-1117, Special Section: Forecasting Issues in Developing Economies.

Guisinger, Amy Y., Rubén Hernández-Murillo, Michael T. Owyang, and Tara M. Sinclair (2018) “A State-Level Analysis of Okun’s Law” *Regional Science and Urban Economics* 68, pp. 239-248.

Bürgi, Constantin and Tara M. Sinclair (2017) “A Nonparametric Approach to Identifying a Subset of Forecasters that Outperforms the Simple Average.” *Empirical Economics*, Vol 53, Issue 1, pp. 101-115. Special issue in honor of Kajal Lahiri.

Morley, James, Irina Panovska, and Tara M. Sinclair (2017) “Testing Stationarity with Unobserved Components Models,” *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, Vol 21, Issue 1, January 2017, pp. 160-182.

Sinclair, Tara, Hans Christian Müller-Dröge, and Herman Stekler (2016). “Evaluating Forecasts of a Vector of Variables: A German Forecasting Competition,” *Journal of Forecasting*, Vol 35, Issue 6, pp. 493-503.

Messina, Jeffrey D., Tara M. Sinclair, and Herman O. Stekler (2015). “What Can We Learn from Revisions to the Greenbook Forecasts?” *Journal of Macroeconomics*, Vol. 45, September 2015, Pages 54-62.

Bradley, Michael D., Dennis W. Jansen, and Tara M. Sinclair, (2015) “How Well Does “Core” Inflation Capture Permanent Price Changes?” *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, Volume 19, Special Issue 04, June 2015, pp 791 – 815.

Guisinger, Amy Y. and Tara M. Sinclair (2015) “Okun’s Law in Real Time,” special section in honor of Herman Stekler of the *International Journal of Forecasting*, Volume 31, Issue 1, January–March 2015, Pages 185-187.

Sinclair, Tara M., H.O. Stekler, and Warren Carnow (2015) “Evaluating a Vector of the Fed’s Forecasts” special section in honor of Herman Stekler of the *International Journal of Forecasting*, Volume 31, Issue 1, January–March 2015, Pages 157–164.

Culbertson, Daniel S. and Tara M. Sinclair (2014) “The Failure of Forecasts in the Great Recession”. *Challenge*, Vol. 57 No. 6 pp. 34-45.

Bersch, Julia and Tara M. Sinclair (2014) “Statistical versus economic output gap measures: evidence from Mongolia,” *Economics Bulletin*, Vol. 34 No. 3 pp. 1864-1874. A previous version was IMF Working Paper No. 11/79.

Sinclair, Tara M. and H.O. Stekler (2013). “Examining the Quality of Early GDP Component Estimates,” special issue on Flash Indicators of the *International Journal of Forecasting*, Volume 29, Issue 4, October–December 2013, Pages 736-750.

Sinclair, Tara M. (2013). “Forecasting Data Vintages,” special issue on Flash Indicators of the *International Journal of Forecasting*, Volume 29, Issue 4, October–December 2013, Pages 715-717.

Sinclair, Tara M. H.O. Stekler, and Warren Carnow (2012) “A New Approach for Evaluating Economic Forecasts,” *Economics Bulletin*, Vol. 32, Issue 3, pages 2332-2342.

Sinclair, Tara M., Edward N. Gamber, H.O. Stekler and Elizabeth Reid (2012). “Jointly Evaluating the Federal Reserve’s Forecasts of GDP Growth and Inflation,” *International Journal of Forecasting*, Volume 28, Issue 2, April–June 2012, Pages 309–314.

Mitra, Sinchan and Tara M. Sinclair (2012). “Output Fluctuations in the G-7: An Unobserved Components Approach,” *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, Volume 16, Issue 03, pp. 396-422.

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.

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JOURNAL ARTICLE PUBLICATIONS (continued)

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.

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 VOLUME/PROCEEDINGS ARTICLES

Gimbel, Martha E. and Tara M. Sinclair (2021). “Mismatch in Online Job Searches” in Proceedings of the LERA 2020 Meetings (March, 2021), pages 93-107. Also available as IIEP Working Paper 2020-1

Sinclair, Tara M. (2020). “Continuities and Discontinuities in Economic Forecasting” in “Futures Past. Economic Forecasting in the 20th and 21st Century” in the peer-reviewed series “Literature – Culture – Economy” edited by Ulrich Fritsche, Roman Köster, and Laetitia Lenel (publisher: Peter Lang).

Jia, Yueqing and Tara M. Sinclair (2013). “Permanent and Transitory Macroeconomic Relationships between China and the Developed World.” in *The Evolving Role of China in the Global Economy*, edited by Yin-Wong Cheung and Jakob de Haan, 83-106, CESifo Seminar Series, MIT Press, Cambridge, MA.

Neil R. Ericsson, Stedman B. Hood, Frederick Joutz, Tara M. Sinclair and Herman O. Stekler (2015). “Time-dependent Bias in the Fed's Greenbook Forecasts.” in *JSM Proceedings*, Business and Economic Statistics Section. Alexandria, VA: American Statistical Association. 1568—1582.

SELECTED WORKING PAPERS

“Sentiment and Uncertainty about Regulation” Tara M. Sinclair and Zhoudan Xie.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Department of Economics, The George Washington University

Intro to Econometrics	Fall 2006, '07, '08, '09, '10, '11, '13, '14, '15, '16, '17, '19, '20; Spring 2020
Proseminar in Economics	Spring 2012, '13, '14, '15, '17, '18, '20, '21; Fall 2015, '16, '17, '19, '20
Intermediate Macroeconomics, Mathematical	Spring 2017, 2018
MA/PhD Macroeconomic Theory I	Fall 2013, 2014
PhD Dissertation Proposal Seminar	Spring 2015
MA Macroeconomic Analysis for Public Policy	Summer 2014
PhD Laboratory in Applied Econometrics – Macroeconomics	Spring 2009, 2012
Intermediate Macroeconomics	Fall 2005, '07, '08, '21; Spring 2006, '07, '08, '10, '11, Summer 2014, Spring 2021

Department of Economics, The University of Texas at Austin (visiting)

Macroeconomic Theory (undergraduate)	Spring 2016
Time Series Econometrics (master's)	Spring 2016

Department of Economics, Washington University in St. Louis

Introductory Macroeconomics	Summer 2002, '03; Spring 2004
Economics of the European Union	Fall 2003

Department of Economics, University of Missouri, St. Louis

Introductory Macroeconomics	Fall 2002, '03; Spring 2004
Quantitative Methods and Modeling	Spring 2003, 2004

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OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Short Term Consultant, World Bank	June 2020
Council Member, Gerson Lehrman Group	April 2007 – present
Academic Visitor, Australia National University	August 2017
Chief Economist, Indeed	September 2014 – September 2016
Independent Contractor, LMI Government Consulting	2008 – 2011
Academic Visitor, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia	September 2012 – October 2012
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

CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

“Mismatch in Online Job Search”	
Northeastern University Economics Department	February 2021
Washington Area Labor Economics Symposium (WALEs) poster presentation	February 2020
LERA@ASSA Conference Presentation, San Diego, CA	January 2020
Nontraditional Data, Machine Learning, and Natural Language Processing Conference	October 2019
First DC Search and Matching Workshop, Washington, DC	April 2019
Upjohn-Chicago Fed Workshop on Job Search and Vacancies	April 2018
“Corononomics Challenges from the unequal impact on the labour market”	
Resolution Foundation Corononomics webinar series	December 2020
“Nowcasting Unemployment Insurance Claims in the Time of COVID-19”	
Conference on Real-Time Data Analysis, Methods, and Applications	October 2020
“Private Data Insights in a Crisis”	
International Monetary Funds’ Let’s talk: Statistical Innovation Talks	December 2020
Banca d’Italia and FRB Conference on Nontraditional Data & Statistical Learning	November 2020
ECB workshop “Tracking the economy with high frequency data”	October 2020
Centre for Applied Macroeconomic Analysis (CAMA) webinar panel	July 2020
“The Novel Recession”	
Midwest Economics Research Group (MERG) keynote panel	August 2020
“AI and the Labor Market”	
Human Impacts of Artificial Intelligence Symposium	June 2020
“Recession 2020?”	
Society of Government Economists Panel on Recession 2020 Probabilities	October 2019
“Ambiguous Figures in the US Economy”	
Beer Institute Annual Membership Meeting Keynote, St. Louis, MO	October 2019
“Navigating Private Data for Public Insights”	
Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta 2019 Financial Markets Conference, Amelia Island, Florida	May 2019
“Forecast Evaluation and Macroeconomic Policy”	
Keynote Speaker, macroeconomic modelling workshop, University of Tasmania, AU	December 2018
School of Economics Seminar at the University of Sydney	November 2018
“Continuities and Discontinuities in Forecasting”	
Speaker for the Economics Alumni Lecture at the George Washington University	November 2018
“Futures Past, Economic Forecasting in the 20 th and 21 st Century” Keynote, Germany	October 2018
IWH Halle Institute for Economic Research Seminar, Halle, Germany	October 2018
“Macroeconomic Data and Forecasts”	
Weidenbaum Center Media Retreat, Cape Cod, MA	June 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
“The Internet Economy and its Implications for Policy”	
Internet Association Panel	June 2018

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CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (continued)

- “Gender Composition and Changing Unemployment Dynamics”
Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics Conference, Japan March 2018
- “Do Fed Forecast Errors Matter?”
American Economic Association Annual Meetings Poster Presentation January 2018
Lafayette College Economics Department Research Seminar September 2017
University of Houston Macroeconomics Seminar October 2016
Joint Statistical Meetings, Seattle, WA August 2015
UT Austin Macroeconomics Seminar February 2016
University at Albany Economics Seminar October 2015
- “Evaluating the Quality of New Data Sources”
Panelist at NABE Tech Conference, Seattle, WA November 2017
- “Using Big Data to Drive HR Decision-Making”
Panelist at HR Tech, Las Vegas, NV October 2017
- “Global Labor Markets: What’s Cyclical? What’s Structural? What’s New? What’s Next?”
Structural Changes in the Global Economy Conference, Australian Treasury August 2017
- “The Economics of Hiring”
Panelist at Indeed Interactive in Austin, Texas May 2017
- “Where is the Big Data Revolution in Forecasting?”
Morning Panelist for the Federal Forecasters Conference at the BLS in Washington, DC April 2017
- “Opportunities and Challenges of Constructing Economic Indicators from the Online Labor Market”
Bureau of Labor Statistics Office of Employment and Unemployment Statistics Panel April 2017
- “Improving Real-Time Employment Estimates”
Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics Conference, Paris, France March 2017
Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics Conference, Oslo Norway March 2015
- “Economic Policy in the Age of Big Data”
Washington University in St. Louis Weidenbaum Center Public Policy Breakfast Meeting January 2017
- “Real Time Economic Indicators from the Online Labor Market”
FCSM Statistical Policy Seminar Panelist in Washington, DC December 2016
NABE Big Data Conference at the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston Keynote June 2016
- “Taking Advantage of Transformation: An Economist Reveals How to Find Opportunity Amidst Change”
Indeed Interactive Europe Main Stage Speaker, Barcelona, Spain November 2016
Indeed Explore Chicago Closing Keynote September 2016
Indeed Interactive Main Stage Speaker, Austin, Texas May 2016
- “Big Data and Economic Research – The Perspective from a Labor Market Economist”
Techweek Toronto Summit Stage Opening Speaker July 2016
- “Tapping into Australia’s High Potential Workforce”
Vivid Ideals Luncheon Keynote June 2016
- “Old and New Challenges for Forecasting: Recessions, Booms, and Big Data”
Keynote Speaker 16th IWH-CIREQ Macroeconometric Workshop, Halle, Germany December 2015
- “The Case For and Against Secular Stagnation”
Washington University in St. Louis Weidenbaum Center Public Policy Breakfast Meeting December 2014
- “Evaluating a Vector of Variables: A German Forecasting Competition”
BOE, EABCN, and CAMA conference on Judgement and Combination in Forecasting March 2014
- “Characteristics and Implications of Chinese Macroeconomic Data Revisions”
American Economic Association Annual Meetings Contributed Session January 2014
9th Annual CIRANO-CIREQ Workshop on Data Revision in Macroeconomic Forecasting October 2013
Asia Pacific Department (APD) Seminar at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) February 2013
GW Research Program on Forecasting Seminar February 2013
- “The U.S. Economy After the Election: Paradoxes and Possibilities”
Washington University in St. Louis Weidenbaum Center Eliot Society Breakfast December 2014
- “Wages – Posed to Accelerate or Doomed to Stagnate?”
Society of American Business Editors and Writers (SABEW) Conference Panelist May 2016

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CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (continued)

“How Data Science Can Help Avoid the Next Recession” SXSW Interactive, Austin, TX	March 2016
“Skilled Labor Shortages” HomeAdvisor Insights Forum at the National Press Club Panelist	February 2016
“Forecast Error Monetary Policy Shocks” Pomona College Colloquium	March 2015
Texas A&M University Economics Department Seminar	February 2015
“What Job Seekers Want: Occupation Satisfaction & Desirability” U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics October 2014	
“Trends and Cycles in the U.S. Labor Market” Lehigh University Economics Seminar	November 2013
“Testing Stationarity for Unobserved Components Models” NBER-NSF Time Series Poster Presentation, Federal Reserve Board	September 2013
Midwest Econometrics Group	October 2013
“A State-Level Analysis of Okun’s Law” Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics, New York, NY	April 2014
“A Recruiting Leader’s Guide to Key Workforce Trends and Economic Indicators” ERE Recruiting Conference Keynote Speaker	April 2014
“Evaluating a Vector of the Fed’s Forecasts” Eastern Economics Association Annual Conference in New York City	May 2013
“How Well Does ‘Core’ CPI Measure Long-Run Inflation?” The University of Alabama Economics Seminar	March 2013
Reserve Bank of Australia Seminar	October 2012
Monash University, Melbourne, Australia, Econometrics and Business Statistics Seminar	October 2012
University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia, Economics Seminar	October 2012
University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia, Economics Seminar	October 2012
Australian National University, Canberra, Economics Seminar	October 2012
Victoria University Wellington, New Zealand, Economics Seminar	September 2012
University of Melbourne, Australia, Macroeconomic Workshop Seminar	September 2012
University of Regensburg, Germany, Seminar	June 2012
Conference in Honor of Charles Nelson, University of Washington	June 2012
Bank of Canada Seminar	May 2012
Bureau of Economic Analysis Seminar	May 2012
University of Pennsylvania Econometrics Seminar	April 2012
George Mason School of Public Policy Seminar	September 2010
NBER/NSF Time Series Conference Poster Presentation, Duke University	October 2010
Heritage Foundation Academic Seminar Series Presentation, Washington, DC	October 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
Challenges to Inflation in an Era of Relative Price Shocks Conference, Münster, Germany	June 2009
“Trends and Cycles in U.S. Output and Unemployment” Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics, Milan, Italy	March 2013
Reserve Bank of New Zealand Economics Seminar	September 2012
University of Nuremberg, Germany, and IAB Joint Seminar	June 2012
“Real Time Data versus Nowcasts” Real Time Analysis and Forecasting Workshop, University of Melbourne, Australia	October 2012

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CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (continued)

“Examining the Quality of Early GDP Component Estimates”	
American University Economics Department Seminar	November 2011
Zicklin School of Business Economics and Finance Seminar, Baruch College, NY	October 2011
7th Annual CIRANO Workshop on Data Revisions in Macro	October 2011
Howard University Economics Department Seminar	September 2011
“The Regional Effects of Fiscal Policy: Evidence from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act”	
The Ohio State University Department of Economics Brownbag Seminar	October 2011
“A Likelihood Ratio Test of Stationarity Based on a Correlated Unobserved Components Model”	
2011 Greater New York Metropolitan Econometrics Colloquium	December 2011
“Why are Shocks to Trend and Cycle So Commonly Negatively Correlated?”	
Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics, Istanbul, Turkey	April 2012
“What Can We Learn from Chinese Macroeconomic Data?”	
4th Annual G2 at GW conference sponsored by IIEP	September 2011
“Permanent and Transitory Macroeconomic Relationships between China and the Developed World”	
CESifo Venice Summer Institute Workshop	July 2010
“Are Early Data Valuable to Forecasters?”	
Society of Government Economics Annual Meeting, Washington, DC	November 2010
“Jointly Evaluating the Federal Reserve’s Forecasts of GDP Growth and Inflation”	
California State University, Long Beach economics seminar	April 2011
“Differences in Early GDP Component Estimates Between Recessions and Expansions”	
18 th Federal Forecasters Conference, Washington, DC	April 2011
“Permanent and Transitory Relationships between the US and China”	
Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics, Novara Italy	April 2010
“Evaluating Forecasts of Two Variables Simultaneously”	
University at Albany Seminar	October 2009
“Output Fluctuations in the G-7: An Unobserved Components Approach”	
Research Seminar, Centre for European Economic Research (ZEW), Germany	June 2009
Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings	November 2008
Eurostat Colloquium on Modern Tools for Business Cycle Analysis Luxembourg, Poster	September 2008
Ludwig-Maximilians-University Munich Seminar	June 2008
Universidad Complutense de Madrid Seminar	June 2008
Federal Reserve Board, International Finance Division Seminar	March 2008
Conference on Computing in Economics and Finance, Montreal, Canada	June 2007
“Bootstrap Tests of Stationarity”	
Joint Statistical Meetings, Washington, DC	August 2009
Conference on Computing in Economics and Finance, Paris	June 2008
Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics, Atlanta Fed	April 2009
GW Institute for Integrating Statistics in Decision Sciences Seminar	April 2009
“Asymmetry in the Business Cycle: Friedman’s Plucking Model with Correlated Innovations”	
The Long Run Impacts of Short Run Fluctuations, Brookings Institution	November 2009
Economics Research Seminar, Universität Münster, Germany	June 2009
UC-Riverside Business Cycles Conference	April 2009
Centre for International Macroeconomics and Finance, Cambridge, UK, UC Workshop	July 2008
“Can the Fed Predict the State of the Economy?”	
Federal Forecasters Conference, Washington, DC	September 2009
“Multivariate Forecast Errors and the Taylor Rule”	
First Macroeconomics Conference in Rome, Italy	March 2009
University of Memphis Economics Department Seminar	February 2009
Richmond University Department of Economics Seminar	November 2008
Wesleyan University Economics Department Seminar	October 2008
West Virginia University, Department of Economics Seminar	August 2008

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CONFERENCE/SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS (continued)

- “Asymmetry in the Business Cycle: Revisiting the Friedman Plucking Model”
Lafayette College New Economic Research Development Series Seminar April 2008
Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas Seminar March 2008
Tinbergen Institute Amsterdam Econometrics Seminar March 2008
Midwest Econometrics Group October 2007
University of Vermont Economics Dept. Seminar October 2007
University at Albany (SUNY), Dept. of Economics Seminar September 2007
College of Charleston (SC), Dept. of Economics and Finance Seminar September 2007
Macro-International Seminar, GW Department of Economics September 2007
- “Multivariate Forecast Evaluation Based on Linear Policy Rules”
Federal Forecasters Conference April 2008
GW Brownbag Seminar Series on Forecasting, Washington, DC October 2007
- “Macroeconomic Fluctuations in Emerging Economies”
GW Trade and Development Workshop, Department of Economics November 2007
- “Why do the Results of Rationality Tests Differ? Data Vintage, Sample Choice, and Methodological Effect”
International Symposium on Forecasting, New York June 2007
- “International Business Cycles: An Unobserved Components Approach”
Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics 2007
SHERPPA Seminar at the University of Ghent, Belgium March 2007
Eastern Economics Association Annual Conference February 2007
GW Macro-International Seminar, Department of Economics October 2005
- “Asymmetry in the Business Cycle: New Support for Friedman’s Plucking Model”
Southern Economic Association Annual Meetings, Washington, DC November 2005
Federal Reserve Board Seminar April 2006
Econometrics Seminar, University of Houston March 2006
Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics, St. Louis, MO March 2006
- “Testing for Stationarity and Cointegration in an Unobserved Components Framework”
Conference on Computing in Economics and Finance, Washington, DC June 2005

AWARDS AND GRANTS

- Inaugural winner of the Columbian Prize for Teaching and Mentoring Advanced Undergraduate Students 2015
University Seminar Special Project Grant 2016-2017
University Seminar 3 years renewed funding, 2 rounds 2009-2012, 2013-2016
CCFF research grant Summer 2008, Summer 2009, Summer 2011
CIBER research grant 2008 – 2009, 2011-2012
Nominated for GW Bender Teaching Award 2010
Econ 102 Student runner-up in the National Economics Insider contest Summer 2010
Student Choice Nominee for GW 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

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SERVICE AND MEMBERSHIPS

Contributor to the FiveThirtyEight/IGM COVID-19 Economic Outlook Survey	2020 – 2021
Department of Economics Advisory Committee Member (elected)	2013 – 2015, 2017 – 2018, 2019 – present
Affiliated Faculty, Institute for European, Russian, and Eurasian Studies, ESIA	2007 – present
Research Affiliate, GW Institute of Public Policy	2008 – present
Scholar, GW-CIBER	2009 – present
Scholar, GW Regulatory Studies Center	2011 – present
Member, Federal Forecasters Consortium Governing Board	2008 – present
Member, Steering Committee of the MS-Data Science Program	2015 – present
Member, Organizing Committee for the annual IWH-CIREQ Macroeconometric Workshop	2016 – present
Member, Organizing Committee for the Mardi Dungey Memorial Research Conference	2019 – 2020
Member, Organizing Committee for the NABE Tech Economics Conference	2017 – 2018
Member, Organizing Committee Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics (SNDE)	2017 – 2018
Advisor, Economics PhD Unit 1 and member, PhD Committee	2016 – 2018
Member, Organizing Committee of the Forecasting in Developing Economies Workshop	2017
Executive Committee Member, Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics (SNDE)	2011 – 2017
Member, GW Department of Economics MA Committee	2010 – 2016
Member, Organizing Committee for the Society for Economic Measurement Conferences	2014, 2015
Member, GW Department of Economics Undergraduate Committee	2015
Guest Co-Editor of the Special Issue in Honor of Herman Stekler, <i>International Journal of Forecasting</i>	2013 – 2014
Acting GW Department of Economics MA Program Graduate Advisor	Fall 2013
Member, GW Macroeconomics Comprehensive Exam Committee	2014 – 2015
Organizer, SIG on Time Series Analysis, Society for Computational Economics	2007 – 2012
Contributor, Philadelphia Fed's Survey of Professional Forecasters	2006 – 2014
Co-Organizer GW-IMF Forecasting Forum in Honor of Herman Stekler	2012
Search Officer, Econometrics	2011 – 2012
Library Representative, GW Department of Economics	2006 – 2012
Local Organizer, SNDE Symposium	2010 – 2011
Member, Program Committee, SNDE Symposium	2010, 2011, 2012, 2013
Member, Organizing Committee, CEF Conference	2008, 2011, 2012
Member, GW Department of Economics PhD Committee	2006 – 2009

Referee: *Review of Economics and Statistics, Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking, Journal of Business & Economic Statistics, Journal of Applied Econometrics, 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, Economic Modelling, Economics Bulletin, Empirical Economics, North Holland Handbook of Economic Forecasting, Southern Economic Journal, International Review of Economics and Finance, Journal of Economic Studies, The Manchester School, Computational Statistics and Data Analysis, Economics Letters, Journal of Econometrics, Journal of Forecasting, Journal of the Royal Statistical Society, BE Journal of Macroeconomics, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Banking and Finance, Journal of Empirical Finance, Quantitative Economics, Scottish Journal of Political Economy, Energy Policy, International Migration Review, Journal of African Business, Open Economics Review, Singapore Economic Review*

Textbook Reviewer: McGraw-Hill/Irwin, Blackwell Publishing, Oxford University Press

Member: American Economic Association, AEA Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession (CSWEP), Euro Area Business Cycle Network, Society for Nonlinear Dynamics and Econometrics, Central Bank Research Association (CEBRA), National Association of Business Economists

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PHD SUPERVISOR

Eiji Goto, “Essays on Time Series Analysis of Monetary Policy”	Spring 2020
Xudong Guo, “Essays on Forecast Evaluation”	Summer 2019
Amy Guisinger, “Beneath the Surface: Disaggregated Data in Macroeconomic Applications”	Spring 2016
Sebastian Acevedo, “Three Essays on Macroeconomic Vulnerabilities in the Caribbean”	Fall 2015
Yueqing Jia, “Essays on Economic Structure and Growth”	Fall 2011

SELECTED PRESS QUOTES AND APPEARANCES

New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Washington Post, Financial Times, International Business Times, Chicago Tribune, Nature, Seattle Times, San Francisco Chronicle, Los Angeles Times, Houston Chronicle, CNN, CNBC, Associated Press, C-Span Washington Journal, NPR, Marketplace Morning Report, Fox Business, CBC Canadian National TV News, CCTV, U.S. News & World Report, Washington Examiner, The Huffington Post, Fast Company, Mashable, Wired, Fortune, Forbes, Politico, CNN Radio, Yahoo! Finance, Swedish Broadcasting TV, Dutch Public TV, Minnesota Public Radio, Fox 5 News, NBC 4 News, News Channel 8, BBC TV and Radio, Congressional Quarterly, Benzinga, PolitiFact, Dow Jones Newswire, Bloomberg.com, Bloomberg TV, Sinclair Broadcast Group (syndicated).

SELECTED OP-EDS, BLOG POSTS, AND COMMENTARIES

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