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EDUCATION

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA. 1989

M.A. in Economics 3U(4):eFsity 200M4527E3E72.3 ((E)2.3 (0f6 (ni)-y o)10.9 (f)6 (s)-2.8 1 rg0 Tc 0 Tw M22)8.6 (4B6 (v)10

OTHER PUBLICATIONS

Book Review of David Colander and Roland Kupers, Complexity and the Art of Public Policy: Solving Society's Problems from the Bottom Up (Princeton University Press, 2014), Eastern Economic Journal, February 2020.

[&]quot;Explaining the Rising Wage-Productivity Gap of the 1980's: Effects of Declining Unionization and Employment," *Review of Radical Political Economics*, 28(2), June 1996, 77-115.

[&]quot;<u>Union Bargaining Power in an Efficiency-Wage Environment</u>," *Eastern Economic Journal*, 20(4), Fall, 1994, 387-401.

[&]quot;A Two Sector Effort-Regulation Model with Implications for Wage Developments in the 1980's," *Review of Radical Political Economics* 22(3), Spring & Summer 1991, 38-46.

- "Beating the coronavirus and fixing the economy are impossible unless we overcome 30 years of political decay" MarketWatch, July 29, 2020.
- "Washington's recession-fighting toolbox is nearly empty as US economy braces for possible coronavirus outbreak," *The Conversation*, March 6, 2020.

Encyclopedia Articles

UNPUBLISHED POLICY PAPERS

- "State Funded vs. Private Funded Worker's Compensation," for Washington State Labor Council, Summer 1984.
- "Rate Reform Proposal," presented to Seattle City Council, Seattle, WA, July 1980; partially adopted into utility rate ordinance, Aug. 1980.

VISITING SCHOLAR

- Institute for New Economic Thinking, Martin School, Oxford University, June 2024 and June 2023.
- WZB Berlin Social Science Research Center, April 17 to May 16, 2018
- Amsterdam Institute for Social Science Research, University of Amsterdam, February 19 to March 27, 2018.
- Global Development Institute, University of Manchester, Nov. 20, 2017 Dec. 20, 2017 and May 16-19, 2018.
- Oxford Institute for New Economic Thinking, Oxford University, UK, Oct. 9 Nov. 17, 2017, May 21-29, 2018, June 6-13, 2022.
- Department of Economics, University College London, UK, Oct. 27 Dec. 3, 2010; June 9 July 3, 2014; Aug 15 Dec. 31, 2015; June 30-July 6, 2015; June 6–20, 2016; Sept. 25 Oct. 9, 2017, June 20-29, 2022.
- School of Economics, University of Cape Town, S.A., March 25-29, 2013
- Center for Social Complexity, George Mason University, VA, April 4 May 3, 2011
- Workshop for Political Theory and Policy Analysis, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, Sept 27 Oct. 16, 2010; May 9-13, 2011
- Economics Department, American University, Washington DC, Jan June 2003
- Economics Department, University of Massachusetts at Amherst, academic year 1995-1996

RECENT CONFERENCE PAPER PRESENTATIONS

- "The Political Economy of Establishing Credible Agreements: Political Settlements, Incentives, and the Configuration of Deals," 100 Years of Development Conference, Cornell University, September 15-17, 2022.
- "Foundational Developmental Dynamics: Power, Social Conflict, Institutional Formation, and Credible Commitment," Development Studies Association 2021 Annual Conference, "Unsettling Development" (virtual; organized by the University of East Anglia, UK), 28 June –2 July 2021.
- "The Political Economy of Establishing Credible Agreements: Political Settlements, Incentives, and the Configuration of Deals," Midwest Economics Association 85th Annual Meeting, Virtual, March 22-26, 2021.
- "How Context Influences Development: Political Settlements and Collective-Action Problems," Development Studies Association 2020 Annual Conference, "New Leadership for Global Challenges," University of Birmingham, UK, 16-19 June 2020 (virtual). Earlier version, Workshop on the Ostrom Workshop 6, Indiana University, Bloomington, Indiana, June 19-21, 2019.
- "The Political Economy of Establishing Credible Agreements: Political Settlements, Incentives, and the Configuration of Deals," 94th Annual Conference, Western Economic Association International, San Francisco, CA, June 28 July 2, 2019
- "Collective Action, Political Settlements, and the Political Economy of Development," Western Econ. Association International, 93rd Annual Conference, Vancouver, BC, 26 June 2018.
- "Social Networks and Collective Action," Midwest Economics Association, 81st Annual

Meeting, Cincinnati, Ohio, March 30 – April 2, 2017. "Collective Action, Inequality, and Development: Prelude to a Compre.

- "The Sub-national Political Economy of Collective Action, Inequality, and Development," Overseas Development Institute, London, 29 June 2022.
- "Power and Public Authority," London School of Economics, 14 June, 2022.
- "The Political Economy of US Polarisation, with Ideas on Reversing the Narratives," Blavatnik School of Government, Oxford University, 10 June 2022.
- "Stratification Economics and the Political Economy of Social Cleavages and Ethnic/Racial Identities," Martin School, Oxford University, 8 June 2022.
- "The Political Economy of Collective Action, Inequality, and Development" (summary), online for the World Bank, January, 25, 2022.

Teacher Education Committee, 2004-2006

Truman Scholarship Committee, April 2006-2007

Grinnell-in-Washington Committee 2003-2006

Grinnell-in-London Committee 2005-2006

Africana Studies Concentration Committee, 1998-2002

Coordinator, Political Economy Faculty Discussion Group, 1997 – 1999, 2001-2002; 2005-2007; 2009-2010

Faculty Development Committee, 1997- 1999

Grinnell School District and Faculty Collaboration Committee, 1998-1999

Noun Women's Studies Committee, 1997-1999

Supervisor, Carnegie faculty support staff, 1996 - 1999

Social Studies Division Personnel Committee, 1996-1999

Academic Committee on Multiculturalism, 1993-1994

Multi/Intercultural Curricular Development Committee, 1993-1995

President's Multicultural Task Force, 1992-1993

Bowen Scholarship Committee, 1993-1995; 2004

Cultural Films Committee, 1991-1992

Outstanding Iowa High School Teacher Award Committee, 1990-1992

Rosenfield Committee on Public Policy, International Relations and Human Rights, 1990-1993

Watson Fellowship Committee, 1994-1995

Faculty House Board, 1992-1995, 1997-2002

EXTERNAL SERVICE

Secretary-Treasurer, Midwest Economics Association, March 2004 – June 2015.

Editorial Board, Economies, March 2013-present.

Editor, *Game Theory and Political Economy* issue of *Economies*

Editorial Board, American Review of Political Economy, 12/04 – present.

External Examiner, Ph.D. dissertation, European Institute, London School of Economics, Oct.

– Dec. 2020; oral examination 16 Dec. 2020 (final approval Sept. 2021).

Outside Reader, Master's Degree Thesis, Northwestern University, 2011

Third Reader, Ph.D. Dissertation, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies, Dec. 2023-present.

External Reviewer for faculty promotions and/or tenure: San Francisco University, Bowdoin College, Carleton College, Macalester College, Lawrence College, and the University of Minnesota, various dates.

Book Referee/Reviewer

Manuscript Law and Economic Development: Behavioral and Moral Foundations of a Changing World, for Palgrave Macmillan, April 2021.

Prospectus From Scientific Progress to Economic Growth: Networks and Knowledge - The Economics and the Economy of Science for Imperial College Press, 2012

Prospectus Madmen and Intellectuals, for Stanford University Press, 2011

Reviews of:

McConnell, Brue and McPherson, *Contemporary Labor Economics*, 7th Edition for McGraw Hill Irwin

Ehrenberg and Smith, *Modern Labor Economics* for Addison Wesley

Journal Referee: British Journal of Medicine and Medical Research; Canadian Public Policy/Analyse de politiques; Eastern Economic Journal; Industrial Relations; ch