

Curriculum Vitae

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Education

University of Chicago, Ph.D. (Economics), 1991
Yale University, B.A. (Economics, Magna Cum Laude), 1984

Employment and Professional Appointments

Henry Graham Professor of Economics and Graduate Co-Director, University of Houston, 2005-present

Professor of Economics, University of Houston, 2002 – 2005

Associate Professor of Economics, University of Houston, 1996- 2002

Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research, 1993- present

Research Fellow, IZA, The Institute for the Study of Labor, 2003- present

Visiting Scholar,ERMES and University of Paris II, Fall 2001

Visiting Scholar, Research School of Social Sciences, Australia National University, Summer 2000

Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, 1998 –1999

Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Houston, 1991-96

Research Assistant, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 1984-86

Other Professional Activities

Associate Editor, American Economic Journal: Applied Economics, 2007- present

Economics Review Panel, National Science Foundation, 2007-2009

Awards, Fellowships and Grants

NBER-SSA Retirement Research Center Grant, “Interactions in the Labor Market Behavior of Couples of the Life Course,” (with Simon Potter), 2007-2008.

NBER-SSA Retirement Research Center Grant, "Interactions in Labor Market Behavior between Husbands and Wives," (with Simon Potter), 2006-2007.

Rice University Baker Institute U.S.-Mexico Border Project, 2004-2006

University of Houston Research Initiation Grant, Summer 1992

The Galler Prize for Outstanding Dissertation in the Social Sciences, University of Chicago, May, 1992

Bradley Foundation Fellowship, The Bradley Foundation, University of Chicago, 1990-91

CIC Minorities Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1986-90

Publications

"Wage Inequality in Post-Reform Mexico," (with Jim Airola), *Journal of Income Distribution*, forthcoming.

"Changes in Labor Force Participation in the United States," (with Simon Potter), *Journal of Economic Perspectives*, Vol. 20 No.3, Summer 2006.

"Technical Change and the Demand for Skills during the Second Industrial Revolution: Evidence from the Merchant Marine, 1891-1912," (with Aimee Chin and Peter Thompson), *Review of Economics and Statistics*, Vol. 88, August 2006.

"The Expansion of College Education in the U.S. 1940-1990: Is There Evidence of Declining Cohort Quality?" (with Dae Il Kim and Francis Vella), *Economic Inquiry*, Vol. 43 No.2, April 2005.

"Labor Market Dropouts and Trends in Wages of Black and White Men," *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*, 56 (July 2003).

"Current Unemployment, Historically Contemplated" (with Kevin M. Murphy and Robert H. Topel), *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity* 1 (2002).

"Employment of Women and Demand-Side Forces," (with Donna Ginther) in *Research in Labor Economics: vol. 20*, Solomon Polachek, ed. (JAI Press, 2001).

"Markov Switching in Disaggregate Unemployment Rates," (with Marcelle Chauvet and Simon Potter), *Empirical Economics: Special Issue on Advances in Regime-Switching Models*, 27(2), 2002.

"The Rise of Female Professionals: Are Women Responding to Skill Demand?" (with Sandra Black), *American Economic Review*, Papers and Proceedings, Vol. 90 No. 2, May 2000.

“Black-White Employment Differential in a Tight Labor Market,” in *Black Employment in a Tight Labor Market*, William Rodgers and Robert Cherry, eds. (Russell Sage, 1999).

“Explaining the Recent Divergence in Payroll and Household Employment Growth,” (with Simon Potter), *Current Issues*, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, Vol.5 No.16, December 1999.

“Wage Inequality and Demand for Skill: Lessons from Five Decades,” *Industrial Labor Relations Review*, 52 (April 1999).

“The Effects of Rising Female Labor Supply on Male Wages,” (with Dae Il Kim), *Journal of Labor Economics*, 17 (January 1999).

“Wage Inequality and Family Labor Supply,” (with Kevin M. Murphy), *Journal of Labor Economics*, 15 (January 1997).

“Relative Wage Trends, Women's Work, and Family Income,” *AEI Studies on Understanding Economic Inequality*, (American Enterprise Institute, 1996).

“Inequality in Labor Market Outcomes,” (with Kevin M. Murphy) *Economic Policy Review*, Federal Reserve Bank of New York, (January 1995).

“Relative Wages and Skill Demand 1940-1990,” (with Kevin M. Murphy) in *Labor Markets, Employment Policy and Job Creation*, Alec Levenson and Lewis Solmon, eds. (Westview Press, 1994).

“Wage Inequality and the Rise in Returns to Skill,” (with Kevin M. Murphy and Brooks Pierce), *Journal of Political Economy*, 101 (June, 1993).

“Wage Inequality and Family Labor Supply,” (with Kevin M. Murphy), *Industrial Relations Research Association 44th Annual Proceedings*, (1993).

“The Decline in Male Labor Market Participation: The Role of Declining Market Opportunities,” *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 107 (February, 1992).

“Unemployment, Nonemployment, and Wages: Why Has the Natural Rate Increased Through Time?” (with Kevin M. Murphy and Robert H. Topel), *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity* 2 (1991).

“Accounting for the Slowdown in Black White Wage Convergence,” (with Kevin M. Murphy and Brooks Pierce), in *Workers and Their Wages: Changing Patterns in the U.S.*, (American Enterprise Institute, 1991).

Working Papers and Works in Progress

“The Impact of Working Spouses on Cyclical Fluctuations in the Labor Force,” (with Simon Potter), working paper, August 2007, (presented at the Society of Labor Economist Meetings, 2007).

“HIV and Fertility in Africa: First Evidence from Population Based Surveys,” (joint with Sebnem Kalemli-Ozcan and Belgi Turan,” working paper, December 2007, (presented at the Amsterdam Institute of International Development Workshop on AIDS and Development 2007).

“Does Reducing College Costs Improve Educational Outcomes for Undocumented Immigrants? Evidence from State Laws Permitting Undocumented Immigrants to Pay In-State Tuition at State Colleges and Universities,”(with Aimee Chin), work paper, University of Houston and Baker Institute, November 2006.

“Does Trade Liberalization Help Women? The Case of Mexico in the 1990s,” (with Jim Airola and Ernesto Aguayo), working paper, November 2003, (presented at the Southern Economics Meetings, San Antonio, Texas, November 2003).

“Economic Shocks and Household Consumption: Evidence from Mexico in the 1990s,” (with Jim Airola and Aimee Chin), working paper, May 2002, (presented at the Latin American and Caribbean Economist Meetings, Puebla, Mexico, October 2003).

“Husband’s Income and the Employment of Married Women: Evidence from Latin American Countries,” (with Manuelita Ureta), working paper, June 2003, (presented at the Society of Labor Economists Meetings, Toronto, Canada, September 2003).

Invited Presentations

Princeton University (2007, 1997), Brown University (2007), University of Texas Arlington (2006), Texas A&M University (2004, 1998), German Institute for Economic Research- DIW Berlin (2004), Institute for the Study of Labor- IZA (2004), Cornell University (2004), Korea Labor Institute (2003), Korea Development Institute (2003), University of British Columbia (2001), University of Paris-II (2001), Australian National University (2000), University of Sydney, Australia (2000), University of Melbourne, Australia (2000), University of Adelaide, Australia (2000), Bureau of Labor Statistics (2000), University of Texas, Austin, (2000, 1992), University of California, Los Angeles (2000), University of Maryland (1999), Ohio State University (1999), Russell Sage Conference (1998), Hunter College (1998), Carnegie Mellon University (1997), University of Wisconsin (1997), International Monetary Fund (1996), Vanderbilt University (1992), American Enterprise Institute Conference on Wages (1989)

Conference Presentations

NBER Labor Studies Meeting, 2004, 2002, 1999, 1997, 1995, 1990, 1989

Society of Labor Economists Meetings 2007, 2004, 2003, 1996

American Economic Association Meetings 2006, 2000, 1998, 1997, 1995, 1994, 1992, 1991

Brookings Panel on Economic Activity, April 2002
Southern Economists Meetings, 2007, 2003
Latin American Economists Meetings 2003

Other Professional Activities

Referee: Quarterly Journal of Economics, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Review of Economics and Statistics, Econometrica, Economic Journal, Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Journal of Business and Statistics, National Science Foundation

Mentor: CSWEP CeMENT Mentoring Program

Member: American Economic Association, Society of Labor Economists

Service Activities

Department Graduate Co-Director, Executive Committee, Recruiting Committee

College Promotion and Tenure Committee

University University Commission on Status of Women

Community Member of the Board- Houston READ Commission, Teach for America, The Menil Foundation (Finance Committee), Da Camera Society of Houston, Yale Club of Houston