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Education

- University of Rochester, Rochester, NY
 Ph.D. in Economics, October 2007
 M.A. in Economics, August 2003
- State University of New York at Buffalo, Amherst, NY
 B.A. in Economics, May 2001
 B.S. in Applied Mathematics, May 2001

Positions Held

- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Western Ontario,
 July 2006–present.

Research

- “The Impact of Medical and Nursing Home Expense Risk and Social Insurance Policies on Savings and Inequality.” Joint with Tatyana Koreshkova. Work in progress, 2008.
- “Computing OLG Models with Aggregate Shocks and Complete Markets.” Joint with Paul Klein. Work in progress, 2008.
- “Measuring the Welfare Gain from Personal Computers.” Joint with Jeremy Greenwood. (July 2007) NBER Working Paper 13592. Submitted.
- “The Trend in Retirement.” July 2005. *Economie D’avant Garde*, Research Report No. 12. Revise and resubmit, IER.
- “A Quantitative Analysis of Suburbanization and the Diffusion of the Automobile.” Joint with Richard M. H. Suen. January 2004. *Economie D’avant Garde*, Research Report No. 6. Revise and resubmit, IER.
- “A Situation in Which a Local Nontoxic Refuge Promotes Pest Resistance to Toxic Crops.” Joint with Jemal Mohammed-Awel and John Ringland. *Theoretical Population Biology* 71 (2007), 131–146.

Conference Presentations

- Canadian Macro Study Group, November 2008, Annual Meetings, Toronto.
- University of Kiel, September 2008, Conference on Income Distribution and the Family, Kiel.
- National Bureau of Economic Research Summer Institute, July 2008, Conference on Research in Income and Wealth, Cambridge.
- Society for Economic Dynamics, July 2008, Annual Meetings, Cambridge.
- Midwest Macro Meetings, May 2008, Philadelphia.
- Society for Economic Dynamics, July 2006, Annual Meetings, Vancouver.
- Laboratory for Aggregate Economics and Finance, June 2006, Housing Workshop, University of California at Santa Barbara.
- Midwest Macroeconomics Meetings, May 2006, St. Louis.
- Bank of Canada, April 2006, Labour Supply and Productivity Life Cycle Workshop, Ottawa.
- Stanford Institute for Theoretical Economics, August 2005, Summer Workshop on “The Nexus between Household Economics and the Macro Economy”, Stanford.
- National Bureau of Economic Research, March 2005, Urban Economics Working Group Meeting, Cambridge.
- Society for Economic Dynamics, July 2004, Annual Meetings, Florence.

Seminar Presentations

- Concordia University, May 2007 and April 2008.
- Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis, March 2007.
- University of Guelph, December 2006.
- York University, November 2006.
- University of Texas at San Antonio, April 2006.
- Universidad Carlos III do Madrid, April 2006.
- Cornell University, March 2006.
- University of Western Ontario, March 2006.
- Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, March 2006.
- Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond, March 2006.
- Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, February 2006.
- University of California at Santa Barbara, January 2006.
- Purdue University, January 2006.
- University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, January 2006.

- Stanford University, January 2006.
- University of Rochester, October 2005.

Discussions

- “The Young, the Old, and the Restless: Demographics and Business Cycle Volatility,” by Henry Siu and Nir Jaimovich. Canadian Macro Study Group, November 2006.

Review and Editorial Work

- Referee: *International Economic Review*, *The B.E. Journals of Macroeconomics*.

Teaching Experience

- Assistant Professor, Economics Department, University of Western Ontario, 2006 - present.
Courses:
 - Intermediate Macroeconomics (Undergraduate Honours), Fall 2008
 - Advanced Macroeconomics (Undergraduate Honours), Winter 2008 and Winter 2007.
 - Computational Methods for Macroeconomics (Graduate), Fall 2007 and Fall 2006.
 - Econometrics I (Undergraduate), Fall 2007
- Lecturer, Economics Department, University of Rochester, 2004 and 2005.
Courses:
 - Econometrics (Undergraduate), Summer 2004 and 2005.
 - Programming in C++, Fall 2004 and Fall 2005.
- Teaching Assistant, Economics Department, University of Rochester, 2002 - 2006.
Courses:
 - Macroeconomics II (Graduate), Spring 2005 and 2006.
 - Econometrics, Fall 2003 and Spring 2004.
 - Economic Statistics, Spring 2003.
 - Intermediate Microeconomics, Fall 2002.