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FIELDS OF INTEREST: Political Economy, Public Policy, Development Economics, Labor, Applied Econometrics, Comparative Economics and Politics.

Current Research Areas: The political economy of fiscal policy; public management and evaluation; institutional change and political instability; employment and migration dynamics; inequality; applied econometrics.

EDUCATION:

Ph.D., Economics; University of California at Berkeley

M.A., Statistics; University of California at Berkeley

B.A., Economics; Union College (NY)

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

2011-Present Chief Economist, United States Senate Committee on the Budget (Washington, DC)
2010-Present Research Fellow (non-resident), IZA Bonn (Bonn, Germany)
2010-2011 Senior Financial Economist, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (Washington, DC)
2009-2010 Senior Research and Evaluation Fellow, U.S. Agency for International Development (Washington, DC)
2001-2005 Independent Research and Evaluation Consultant (Various – See country list below)
1997-1999 Assistant Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of Richmond (Richmond, VA)
1996-1997 Risk and Performance Analyst, Signet Bank (Richmond, VA)

ADDITIONAL RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

2006 Graduate Student Researcher, Prof. Gerard Roland (Berkeley, CA)
2005, 2006 Researcher, Barclay's Global Investors (San Francisco, CA)
2005-2006 Graduate Student Researcher, Prof. Ernesto Dal Bo (Berkeley, CA)
2001 Statistical Consultant, UC Berkeley Statistics Department (Berkeley, CA)
1999-2001 Graduate Student Researcher, Haas School of Business (Berkeley, CA)
1995 Research Fellow, World Bank/Union College (Schenectady, NY)
1994 Visiting Economic Analyst, US Embassy, The Hague (The Hague, The Netherlands)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

MBA Macroeconomics (Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley)
MBA Ethics (Haas School of Business, UC Berkeley)
Political Economy of Industrial Societies (UC Berkeley)
Introduction to Statistics (UC Berkeley Statistics Department)

AFFILIATIONS:

Experiments in Governance and Politics Network (EGAP)
American Political Science Association
American Statistical Association
American Economic Association
Econometric Society

OTHER INFORMATION:

Languages: English (native); Serbo-Croatian (advanced); German, Japanese and French (basic).

Country Experience: Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Egypt, France, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Hungary, Germany, Greece, Macedonia, Montenegro, The Netherlands, Peru, Portugal, Serbia, Spain, Switzerland, UK; *Remote support:* Afghanistan, Australia, Azerbaijan, Cambodia, Dominican Republic, Indonesia, Nepal, Ukraine.

PUBLICATIONS:

“Culture and Migration,” *Encyclopedia of Global Human Migration*, 2013.

“Electricity Reform in Bosnia and Herzegovina,” *Utilities Policy*, 2009.

“The Behavior of the Real Rate of Interest,” with Michael Dotsey and Carl Lantz, *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*, 2003, 35(1): 91-110.

WORKING PAPERS AND OTHER RESEARCH:

Political Economy, Institutions, Labor and Development:

“Political Instability and Regime Change in Emerging Economies: Theory and Evidence from Big Data,” IZA Working Paper (in preparation).

“Can Participatory Democracy Promotion Interventions Promote Political Participation?” IZA Working Paper, 2010.

“Economics of Culture and Migration,” IZA Working Paper, 2011.

“Can Participatory Democracy Promotion Interventions Promote Political Participation?” IZA Working Paper, 2010.

“The Political Economy of Bosnia and Herzegovina's Electricity Sector and its Reform,” Working Paper Centre for Competition Policy University of East Anglia UK, CCP Conference on Electricity Sector Reform, Bucharest, 2007.

Applied Econometrics:

“Misspecification Bias in Models with Endogenous Social Interactions: Implications for Field Experiments,” IZA Working Paper (in preparation).

“Estimating the Impact of Severe Weather Patterns on the US Economy,” Mimeo, Senate Budget Committee, 2014.

“Real-Time Panel Data Forecasting with Out-of-Sample Model Selection,” Manuscript, 2014.

“Why Quarterly NAIC Data Does *Not* Tell Us About the Early Impact of the Affordable Care Act,” Mimeo, 2014.

“Information Timing, Macro Signals, and Forecasting,” Manuscript, 2009.

“An Analysis of the Harmonic Properties of Global Ice Mass Cycles: Evidence on Global Climate Change Over the Past 890,000 Years,” Manuscript, 2009.

“Real Rates Revisited: A Regime Switching and Graphical Modeling Approach,” Manuscript, 2005.

“The Behavior of the Real Rate of Interest Over the Business Cycle,” (with Michael Dotsey) FRB Richmond WP, 2000.