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### Education

Ph.D. Economics, University of Iowa, 1997  
M.A. Economics, Colorado State University, 1990  
B.S. Business Administration, University of Nebraska-Lincoln, 1988

### Academic Positions

2008-present	Professor of Economics, Kansas State University
6/2010-6/2018	Department Head, Department of Economics, Kansas State University
6/2009-6/2010	Interim Department Head, Department of Economics, Kansas State University
2009 (spring)	Visiting Professor, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
2004-2009	Director of Graduate Studies, Dept. of Economics, Kansas State University
2004-2008	Associate Professor of Economics, Kansas State University
2001-2004	Assistant Professor of Economics, Kansas State University
1997-2001	Assistant Professor of Economics, University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

### Other Teaching Experience

1996 (summer)	Instructor, Moscow Linguistics University, Russia
1996 (summer)	Instructor, Belin and Blank Center for Gifted Education, University of Iowa
1994-1995	Instructor, Saturday and Evening Program, University of Iowa
1993-1994	Teaching Assistant Coordinator, Dept. of Economics, University of Iowa
1992-1993	Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, University of Iowa
1990-1992	Instructor/Peace Corps Volunteer, Belize, Central America
1989-1990	Teaching Assistant, Colorado State University

### Publications

“The ‘Time-Release’, Crime-Reducing Effects of Education Spending,” with Bebonchu Atems, *Economics Letters*, December 2021, Vol. 209.

“Sick and Tell: Analyzing the Effects of Explaining an Illness Related Employment Gap Using a Field Experiment,” with Sheryll Namingit and Benjamin Schwab, *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization*, May 2021, Vol. 185, pp. 865-882.

“‘Time-Release’ Output Responses to Public Education Expenditures,” with Bebonchu Atems, forthcoming, *Macroeconomic Dynamics*. DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1017/S1365100520000656>

“Early Childhood Education and the Intergenerational Persistence of Earnings,” with Xiaoyan Youderian, *Review of Economic Dynamics*, April 2015, Vol.18, pp. 334-349.

“Admission Standards, Student Effort, and the Creation of Skilled Jobs,” with Yuan Gao, *Economic Modelling*, December 2014, Vol. 43, pp. 209-216.

“Government Education Expenditures in Early and Late Childhood,” with Casey Abington, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, April 2013, Vol. 37, pp. 854–874.

“Industry Estimates of the Elasticity of Substitution and the Rate of Biased Technological Change Between Skilled and Unskilled Labour,” with Steve Cassou, *Applied Economics*, September 2011, Vol. 43, pp. 3129-3142.

“Industrial Dynamics and the Neoclassical Growth Model,” with Steve Cassou, *Economic Inquiry*, October 2009, Vol. 47, pp. 815-837.

“Public Spending on Education and the Incentives to Student Achievement,” with Gabriele Camera, *Economica*, July 2009, Vol. 76, pp. 505-527.

“Public Education Expenditures, Taxation and Growth: Linking Data to Theory,” with Nicole Simpson and Marc Tomljanovich, *American Economic Review Papers and Proceedings*, May 2007, Vol. 97, pp. 393-397.

“Allocating Government Education Expenditure Across K-12 and College Education,” with Steve Cassou and Beth Ingram, *Economic Theory*, April 2007, Vol. 31, pp. 85-112.

“How Different is the Cyclical Behavior of Home Production Across Countries?” with Ayhan Kose, *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, February 2007, Vol. 11, pp. 56-78.

“Labor Market Trends With Balanced Growth,” with Steve Cassou, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, May 2006, Vol. 30, pp. 807-842.

“A Simple Economic Theory of Skill Accumulation and Schooling Decisions,” with Gabriele Camera, *Review of Economic Dynamics*, January 2006, Vol. 9, pp. 93-115.

“Public Schooling, College Subsidies and Growth,” *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, March 2005, Vol. 29, pp. 487-507.

“Public Education Expenditures and Growth,” with Nicole Simpson, *Journal of Development Economics*, April 2004, Vol. 73, pp. 583-605.

“School Finance Litigation, Tax and Expenditure Limitations, and Education Spending: An Empirical Analysis,” with Mark Skidmore, *Contemporary Economic Policy*, January 2003, Vol. 22, pp. 127-143.

“The Relationship Between Education Finance Reform and Tax and Expenditure Limitations,” with Mark Skidmore, *Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy*, December 2002, Vol. 32, pp. 49-65.

“Welfare Implications of Factor Taxation With Rising Wage Inequality,” with Beth Ingram, *Macroeconomic Dynamics*, June 2002, Vol. 6, pp. 408-428.

“Can Real World Interest Rates Explain Business Cycles in Small Open Economies?” with Ayhan Kose and Kei-Mu Yi, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, June 2001, Vol. 25, pp. 867-889.

“A Welfare Analysis of Policy Responses to the Skilled Wage Premium,” *Review of Economic Dynamics*, October 1999, Vol.2, pp. 820-849.

## Working Papers

“Does Education Spending Lower the Effect of Institutional Quality on Growth?” with Jehu Mette

“News Shocks with Maintenance Expenditures,” with Fidia Farah.

## Presentations

July 2019	Public Economic Theory Meeting, Strasbourg, France
February 2018	Makerere University, Kampala, Uganda
June 2017	Beijing Information Science & Technology University
June 2017	Ningxia University School of Economics and Management, Ningxia China
June 2011	Public Economic Theory Meeting, University of Indiana
March 2010	University of Indiana
June 2009	Public Economic Theory Meeting, National University of Ireland, Galway
May 2009	Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
May 2009	Universidad del País Vasco, Bilbao Spain
April 2009	Aarhus University, Denmark
March 2009	Fundación de Estudios de Economía Aplicada (FEDEA), Madrid
February 2009	Durham University, England
November 2008	Southern Economic Association, Washington D.C.
March 2008	Midwest Economics Association, Chicago
October 2006	University of Missouri
June 2006	N. American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society, U. of Minnesota
May 2006	Midwest Macroeconomics Meeting, Washington University in St. Louis
May 2006	University of Kansas
March 2006	Midwest Economics Association, Chicago
June 2005	Public Econ Theory Meeting, Université de la Méditerranée, Marseille, France
December 2004	University of Nebraska
May 2004	Midwest Macroeconomics Meeting, Iowa State University
April 2004	Iowa Alumni Workshop, University of Iowa
March 2004	Colgate University
July 2003	Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory Meeting, Rhodes, Greece
April 2002	Midwest Macroeconomics Meeting, Nashville
March 2002	Iowa Alumni Workshop
June 2000	Society for Economic Dynamics Meeting, San Jose, Costa Rica
March 2000	Purdue University
March 2000	Midwest Economics Association, Chicago
October 1999	Wisconsin Economics Association
June 1999	Society for Economic Dynamics Meeting, Sardinia, Italy
April 1998	Midwest Macroeconomics Meeting, St. Louis
October 1997	Midwest Macroeconomics Meeting, University of Notre Dame

## Professional Service

**Associate Editor:** *Economics Bulletin*, 2014-2018

**Referee:** *American Economics Journal-Macroeconomics, B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis and Policy, Bulletin of Economic Research, CESifo Economic Studies, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economic Modelling, Economic Theory, Economica, Economics Bulletin, Economics of Education Review, European Economic Review, European Journal of Political Economy, IMF Economic Review, International Review of Economics and Finance, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Journal of Economics, Journal of Economic Growth, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of International Trade, Journal of Macroeconomics, Macroeconomic Dynamics, National Science Foundation, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Journal of Public Economics, Oxford Economic Papers, Journal of Human Capital, Public Finance Review, Southern Economic Journal, The Manchester School*

**Discussant:** Midwest Econ. Association, 2000, 2006, 2008, Southern Econ. Association, 2008

### **Awards & Grants**

2006	Stamey Teaching Award, College of Arts and Sciences, Kansas State University
2006	Bagley Award for Research, Dept. of Economics, Kansas State University
2004	Faculty Development Award, Kansas State University
2002	Faculty Development Award, Kansas State University
2002	University Small Research Grant, Kansas State University
1994	Foreign Language and Area Studies Graduate Fellowship, University of Iowa
1993	Outstanding Teaching Assistant Award, University of Iowa

### **University Service, Selected Committees**

2003-2009	Graduate Committee
2001-2019	Macro Qualifying Exam Committee
2000-2001	Graduate Audit and Review Committee
1999-2001	University Graduate Council
1999-2001	Graduate Education Committee, College of Business Administration
1998-1999	College Scholarship Committee
1998-1999	Kemper Scholarship Committee
1997-1998	Letters and Science Curriculum Committee

### **Major Advisor**

Ph.D.	Chandini Sankaran	Bandar Abaalkhail
	Yuan Gao	Casey Abington
	Xiaoyan Youderian	Mercy Palamuleni
	Sheryll Namingit	Quazi Fidia Farah
	Tennecia Dacass	Jehu Mette
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	Dan Lensing	