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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

2010-present	Department Head, Department of Economics, Kansas State University
2009-2010	Interim Department Head, Department of Economics, Kansas State University
2009 (spring)	Visiting Professor, Universidad Carlos III de Madrid
2008-present	Professor of Economics, Kansas State University
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

“Government Education Expenditures in Early and Late Childhood,” with Casey Abington, forthcoming, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*.

“Industry Differences in the Elasticity of Substitution and the Rate of Biased Technological Change Between Skilled and Unskilled Labor,” 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 Interrelatedness of Tax and Expenditure Limitations and Education Finance Reform,” with Mark Skidmore, *Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy*, December 2002, Vol. 32, pp. 49-65.

“The 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 and Work in Progress

“Early Childhood Education and Intergenerational Persistence of Earnings,” with Laura Youderian, under review.

“Admission Standards, Student Effort, and the Creation of Skilled Jobs,” with Yuan Gao, under review.

Presentations

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

Referee: *Journal of Public Economics, Journal of International Trade, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Economica, Journal of Population Economics, Economics Bulletin, Economics of Education Review, Economic Theory, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, CESifo Economic Studies, Journal of Macroeconomics, The Manchester School, Southern Economic Journal, Journal of Economics, Economic Inquiry, National Science Foundation, European Economic Review, Bulletin of Economic Research, Economic Modelling, International Review of Economics and Finance, Public Finance Review*

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

Board Member: Wisconsin Economics Association, 1997-2000

Awards & Grants

2006	William L. Stamey Teaching Award for undergraduate education, 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, \$1500
2002	Faculty Development Award, Kansas State University, \$2000
2002	University Small Research Grant, Kansas State University, \$900

University Service, Selected Committees

2003-2009	Graduate Committee
2001-current	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
Yuan Gao
Laura Chen

Bandar Abaalhkail
Casey Abington
Mercy Palamuleni (in progress)

M.A.

Ramil Mehdiyev
Saad Ahmad

Phuong Le
Gabriel Harper