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EDUCATION

PhD in Economics, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC, 1999.
BS in Mathematics, Davidson College, Davidson, NC, 1988.

HONORS AND GRANTS

Recipient, Course Development Grant, Rapaport Everyday Ethics Across the Curriculum, Union College, Summer, 2009.
Recipient, Course Development Grant, Rapaport Everyday Ethics Across the Curriculum, Union College, Fall 2008.
Recipient, Summer Research Grant, Union College, Summer 2008.
Recipient, Connections Fund Grant, Recipient, Smith College, Spring 2006.
Faculty Teaching Award, Nominee, Smith College, Spring 2004
Recipient, Grant for Research, Smith College, 2002-2003.
Lurey Fellow, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC, 1993 – 1994
Reynolds Scholar, Davidson College, Davidson, NC, 1984 – 1988.

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Scholar in Residence, NYU Faculty Research Network, Spring 2009.
Assistant Professor of Economics, Union College, Schenectady, NY, September 2006 – present.
Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Smith College, Northampton, MA, 2001 to 2006.
Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, University of New Hampshire, 1999-2001.
Assistant Professor of Economics, State University of New York at Oswego, 1998-1999.
Instructor, Teaching Assistant or Research Assistant, UNC-CH, 1990-1993, 1994-1997.

TEACHING INTERESTS

Economic Growth and Development, Economics of Sin, Microeconomics, Mathematical Economics

BOOK

Associate Editor, *Princeton Encyclopedia of the World Economy*, 2 volumes, edited with R. S. Rajan, K. A. Reinert, and A. Glass, Princeton University Press, February 2009.

ARTICLES

“Do All Countries Follow the Same Growth Process?” (with Ann Owen and Julio Videras) *Journal of Economic Growth*, forthcoming.

“Teaching the Economics of Sin,” *Teaching Ethics*, Special Issue on Ethics Across the Curriculum, forthcoming. (Invited)

“Scale Effects in Growth Theory: A Role for Institutions,” *Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization* 66(2), May 2008, 403-419.

“Market Transaction Costs in Industrial Revolution and Demographic Transition,” *Pacific Economic Review* 12(1), February 2007, 79-99. (Invited)

“Explaining the Evidence on Inequality and Growth: Informality and Redistribution,” *The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics* 7(1), (Contributions), Article 7, 2007.

“Growing Apart: The Division of Labor and the Breakdown of Informal Institutions,” *Journal of Comparative Economics* 34(1), March 2006, 75-91.

“Trade, Growth and Uneven Development: A Critical Survey,” (with William Darity, Jr.) *Cambridge Journal of Economics* 29(1), January 2005, 141-170.

“Toward a Unified Transaction Cost Theory of Economic Organization,” *Journal of Institutional and Theoretical Economics* 159(3), September 2003, 571-93.

“Does the Market Recognize IT-Enabled Competitive Advantage?” (with Bruce Dehning and Theophanis Stratopoulos), *Information and Management* 40(7), August 2003, 705-716.

“The Division of Labor and the Growth of Government,” *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control* 27(7), May 2003, 1217-1235.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO EDITED VOLUMES

“Development.” In: Rajan and Reinert (Eds.) *Princeton Encyclopedia of the World Economy*, 2 vols. Princeton: Princeton University Press, 2009.

“Technological Progress, Economic Growth.” In: Darity, William A., Jr. (Ed.), *International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences*, 2nd edition. 9 vols. Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2008.

“Development Economics.” In: Darity, William A., Jr. (Ed.), *International Encyclopedia of the Social Sciences*, 2nd edition. 9 vols. Detroit: Macmillan Reference USA, 2008.

CURRENT RESEARCH

“Institutional Flexibility and Economic Growth,” under review, May 2009.

“Institutional Foundations of Inequality and Growth” with Mark Hopkins, under review.

“Scientists and Lawyers: Innovation, Imitation and Growth with Endogenous Patent Protection,” with Fuat Sener, in preparation.

“Do Good Borders Protect You From Bad Neighbors?” with Alex Cline, under preparation.

CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PRESENTATIONS

“Teaching the Economics of Sin,” Society for Ethics Across the Curriculum Meetings, Baltimore MD, Nov 14, 2008.

“Scientists and Lawyers: Innovation, Imitation and Growth with Endogenous Patent Protection,” with Fuat Sener.

- NYU Development Seminar, NY, NY, March 2009. (Invited)
- Southern Economic Association Meetings, Washington DC, Nov. 2008.
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Economics Seminar, Troy NY, Sept. 2008. (Invited)
- International Schumpeter Society Meetings, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, July 2008.

“Institutional Foundations of Inequality and Growth” with Mark Hopkins

- Vassar College Economics Seminar, Poughkeepsie NY, Oct. 10, 2008. (Invited)
- Eastern Economic Association Conference, Boston MA, March 7, 2008.
- Economics Lunch Discussion Series, Union College, Jan. 21, 2008. (Invited)
- University of New Hampshire Graduate Seminar, Durham, NH, March 23, 2007. (Invited)
- Workshop in Macroeconomic Research at Liberal Arts Colleges, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, NY, August 9, 2006. Presented by Mark Hopkins.
- Five College Faculty Seminar Series in Economics, Amherst College, MA, March 16, 2006. (Invited)

“Do All Countries Follow the Same Growth Process?” with Ann Owen and Julio Videras,

- Lafayette College, Easton PA, September 2007. (Invited)
- Workshop on Macroeconomic Research at Liberal Arts Colleges, Smith College, Aug. 7, 2007. Presented by Ann Owen.

“Institutional Flexibility and Economic Growth”

- IMF Institute Departmental Seminar Series, International Monetary Fund, Washington DC, January 31, 2006. (Invited)
- Millennium Challenge Corporation, Washington DC, January 30, 2006. (Invited)
- Economic History and Development Workshop, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, Massachusetts, December 7, 2005. (Invited)
- Gettysburg College, Gettysburg PA, October 21, 2005. (Invited)
- Wesleyan College, Middlebury CT, September 28, 2005. (Invited)
- Workshop in Macroeconomic Research at Liberal Arts Colleges, Colgate University, Hamilton, NY, August 17, 2005.

“Explaining the Evidence on Inequality and Growth: Informality and Redistribution”

- Economics Department Seminar Series, Williams College, Williamstown, MA, March 7, 2006. (Invited)
- IMF Institute Departmental Seminar Series, International Monetary Fund, Washington DC, October 19, 2004. (Invited)
- Five College Faculty Seminar Series in Economics, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, September 20, 2004. (Invited)
- Conference on Dynamics, Economic Growth and International Trade, Reykjavik, Iceland, June 2004.
- Conference on Economic Growth and Distribution: on the Nature and Causes of the Wealth of Nations, Lucca, Italy, June 2004.
- Eastern Economic Association Meetings, Washington DC, February 2004.

“Scale Effects in Growth – A Role for Institutions,” Southern Economic Association Meetings, New Orleans LA, November 23-26, 2002.

“Growing Apart: Division of Labor and the Breakdown of Informal Institutions”

- Western Economic Association Meetings, Seattle WA, June 29-July 3, 2002.
- Eastern Economic Association Meetings, February 2001.
- Graduate Economics Seminar, UNH, Durham, NH, March 2001.

“Toward a Unified Transaction-Cost Theory of Economic Organization”

- Western Economic Association Meetings, San Francisco CA, July 2001.
- Eastern Economic Association Meetings, March 2000.
- Graduate Economics Seminar, UNH, Durham, NH, November 1999.
- International and Development Economics Workshop, UNC-CH, December 1997.

“Trade, Growth and Uneven Development: A Critical Survey,” ASSA Meetings, January 2000.

“The Division of Labor and the Growth of Government”

- Eastern Economic Association Meetings, March 1999.
- Economics Workshop, SUNY-Oswego, Oswego NY, November 1998.

“The Convergence Literature,” SUNY-Oswego Economics Workshop, April 1999.

“Specialization, Capital Flows and Uneven Development,” International and Development Economics Workshop, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill NC, January 1997.

PANELS AND DISCUSSIONS

Discussion Leader, “Wal-Mart: The high cost of low prices,” with Kristy Sonnenberg, Wold House Documentary Film Series, Union College, Oct. 30, 2007.

Panel Member, “FTAA Debate,” hosted by *Nosotras*, Smith College, December 3, 2003.

Panel Member, “PROFIT or LIFE? The Political Economics of AIDS Drug Patents,” World Aids Day Symposium, Smith College, December 2001.

DISSERTATION AND HONORS THESIS COMMITTEES

Dissertation Committee Member, Timothy Ford, *Essays on Economic Growth, Human Capital, and Foreign Direct Investment*, University of New Hampshire, July 2002.

Dissertation Committee Member, Marcos De Sena, *The Quest for Economic Growth and Development*, University of New Hampshire, February 2000.

Honor’s Thesis Director, Joelle Goudsmit, “Women’s Rights and Economic Growth: An Empirical Investigation,” Smith College, May 2004.

WORK PUBLISHED BY UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

Shah, Jay, “Analysis of the Relationship Between Research Grants and Medical Patents: Is the Number of Medical Patents Dependent on NIH and NSF Funding?” *Undergraduate Economic Review*, Vol. IV, <http://titan.iwu.edu/~econ/uer/thirdlayer/vol4.html>.

Bojadzieva, Hristina, “Factors of Economic Growth in the Transition Economies of Eastern Europe: The Case of Macedonia,” *Issues in Political Economy*, Vol. 14, August 2005. (This paper was written for my Seminar in Economic Growth and World Development, Spring 2004.)

Zephyr, Angelyn M., “Money is Not Enough: Social Capital and Microcredit,” *Issues in Political Economy*, Vol. 13, August 2004. (This paper was written for my Seminar in Economic Growth and World Development, Spring 2004.)

COURSES TAUGHT

Introductory Economics, Introductory Microeconomics, Introductory Macroeconomics, Economics of Sin, Intermediate Microeconomics, International Economics, International Trade, Development Economics, Mathematical Economics, Seminar in Economic Growth and Development, Economic Growth (doctoral level)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND AFFILIATIONS

Referee, *American Economic Review*, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, *Review of Development Economics* (4), *Journal of Comparative Economics* (3), *Journal of Bioeconomics*, *International Economic Journal*, *Division of Labor and Transaction Costs*, *Contemporary Economic Policy*, *Economic Inquiry*, *Economics Bulletin*

Faculty Advisor, Union College Miniterm in India, Fall 2007, including preparation and presentation of “Financial Inclusiveness and Microfinance” by miniterm participants at the 15th International Economics Convention, MMK College, Mumbai, India.

Founding Member, Five College Faculty Seminar Series in Economics, Fall 2004.

Faculty Coordinator, Economics Department Seminar Series, Union College, 2006-Present.

Founder, “Reading the News!” A weekly current events discussion group, with Andrew Rotman, Smith College, 2005-2006.

Fellow, “Empires in Discourse and Practice,” Khan Liberal Arts Institute, Smith College, Spring 2005-2006.

Conference Session Co-Organizer, “

- Topics in Economic Growth,” Eastern Economic Association Meetings, Washington DC, February 20-22, 2004.
- “Property Rights and the Organization of Production,” Western Economics Association International Meetings, San Francisco, June 30 – July 3, 2001.

Member, American Economic Association, Southern Economic Association, International Schumpeter Society.