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Citizenship

Canadian

Research Interests

Growth and Development
Competition and Innovation

Teaching Interests

Macroeconomics
Growth and Development
Competition and Innovation

Education

2013	PhD, Economics, University of Toronto
2008	MA, Economics, Simon Fraser University
2006	BA, Economics, University of Western Ontario

Awards

TXRDC Seed Grant, 2016
West Virginia University Faculty Travel Grant, 2013, 2014
West Virginia University Faculty Development Grant, 2013, 2014
Dorothy J. Powell Graduate Scholarship In International Economics, 2012-2013
University of Toronto Graduate Fellowship, 2008-2012
Simon Fraser University Graduate Fellowship, 2006-2007
Millenium Scholarship, 2003-2006
Godsoe Family Scholarship, 2004-2006
TD Bank Financial Group / William T. Brock Bursary 2004-2006

Publications and Research Papers

Competition as a Discovery Procedure: Schumpeter Meets Hayek in a Model of Innovation
(American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, 2014)

Niche Firms, Mass Markets, and Income Across Countries: Accounting for the Impact of
Entry Costs (Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, 2014)

Misallocation, Establishment Size, and Productivity (with Diego Restuccia)
(American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, Conditionally Accepted)

Competition, Innovation, and the Number of Firms

Quantifying the Effects of Patent Protection on Innovation, Imitation, Growth, and Aggregate
Productivity

Seminar and Conference Presentations

2016: SAET Conference, Rio de Janeiro; Western University

2015: ASSA Annual Meeting, Boston; George Washington University; World Bank; Texas A&M
University; Midwest Macro Meetings, Washington University in St. Louis; SED Annual Meeting,
Warsaw; SAET Conference, Cambridge UK; Texas Monetary Conference, Houston (Discussant);
Midwest Macro Meetings, University of Rochester; University of Texas at Austin; RIDGE Workshop on
Growth and Development, Montevideo

2014: SCID/IGC Conference, Stanford University; University of Pittsburgh; Southern Economic
Association Meetings, Atlanta; University of Toronto; CEA Annual Conference, Simon Fraser University

2013: Midwest Macro Meetings, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign; University of Toronto;
University of Pittsburgh

Previous: Midwest Macro Meetings, Vanderbilt University (2011); CEA Annual Conference,
University of Ottawa (2011); EconCon, Princeton University (2010)

Professional Experience

- Referee: American Economic Journal: Macroeconomics, American Economic Review, B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics, Economica, Journal of Development Economics, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Journal of the European Economic Association, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Dynamics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics
- 2015-
• Assistant Professor, Texas A&M University
• Principles of Economics: Macroeconomics
• Foundations of Macroeconomic Theory (for Masters of Finance students)
• Ph.D. Advanced Macroeconomics I
- 2013-2015
• Assistant Professor, West Virginia University
• Principles of Macroeconomics
• Intermediate Macroeconomics
• Ph.D. Advanced Macroeconomics II
- 2011-2013:
• Instructor, University of Toronto
• Intermediate Macroeconomics
- 2006-2011:
• Teaching Assistant, University of Toronto and Simon Fraser University
• Intermediate Macroeconomics
• Urban Economics
• History of Economic Thought
• International Trade
• Economic Growth and Technological Change
• Economic Development
• Principles of Microeconomics
• Principles of Macroeconomics
• Political Economy of Economic Development
- 2004-2012:
• Research Assistant
• Assisted Professor Diego Restuccia (University of Toronto)
• Assisted Professor Nilesh Saraf (Simon Fraser University)
• Assisted Professor James MacGee (University of Western Ontario)

References

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