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Education

Ph.D. in Economics, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, Expected August 2009

M.A. in Economics, University of Denver, Denver, CO, 1998

B.A. in International Affairs, *summa cum laude*, The George Washington University, Washington, DC, 1995

Fields of Concentration

Primary

Political Economy
U.S. Economic History
History of Economic Thought
Food and Agricultural Economics

Secondary

Macroeconomics
Microeconomics
Industrial Organization

Dissertation

Title: Class, Crisis, and the Industry of Agriculture: Corn Belt Family Farms, 1870-Present

Committee: Stephen Resnick (co-chair), Richard Wolff (co-chair), Gerald Friedman (member, Economics), Laura Lovett (member, History)

Publications

"Wheat Shocks," *Global Macroscope*, August 2007.

Red Meat Yearbook, Statistical compilation, 2006, 2003, 2000, (with United States Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service).

Book review of *Superimperialism: The Origin and Fundamentals of U.S. World Dominance* by Michael Hudson, *Rethinking Marxism*, 16:4, October 2004.

Book review of *Global Environmental Politics* by Gareth Porter and Janet Welsh Brown, *Sintesis*, 20, Spring 1995. (in Spanish)

Research Experience

Research Assistant, January – June 2008

Professor Richard D. Wolff, Department of Economics, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Editorial Assistant, January – June 2006

Professors Stephen A. Resnick and Richard D. Wolff, Department of Economics, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

- Assisted in preparation of manuscript for *New Departures in Marxian Theory*, Routledge, 2006

Data Consultant, December 2003 – December 2005

United States Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service, Washington, DC

- Updated statistical yearbook for publication.

Economic Information Specialist, January 2000 – January 2001

United States Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service, Washington, DC

- Assisted senior economists in developing and maintaining database systems to support agriculture market analysis activities.
- Compiled and published livestock statistical yearbook
- Participated in projects including custom software design and revision, web writing and redesign, and symposium research and preparation for American Agricultural Economics Association annual meeting July 30 – August 2, 2000, Tampa, FL

Research Assistant, January 1999 – June 1999

Professor David Kotz, Department of Economics, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Research Assistant, June 1999 – August 1999

Professor Gerald Friedman, Department of Economics, University of Massachusetts, Amherst

Teaching Experience

Visiting Instructor, September 2007 - Present

Mount Holyoke College, Department of Economics

- Political Economy of Food (Scheduled Spring 2009), Introduction to Microeconomics (Scheduled Spring 2009, Fall 2008, Spring 2008), Seminar in Industrial Organization (Fall 2008) Introduction to Macroeconomics (Fall 2007)

Visiting Instructor, January 2007 – May 2007

Wellesley College, Department of Economics

- Political Economy of Gender, Race, and Class

Instructor, January 2006 – May 2006, July 2005 – August 2005

University of Massachusetts, Department of Economics and Department of Continuing Education

- Introduction to Macroeconomics (Honors Program, Spring 2007), Introduction to Macroeconomics (Summer Scholars Program, Summer 2005)

Instructor, June 2001 – August 2004

Metropolitan Community College of Kansas City, Blue River Campus

- Introduction to Macroeconomics (Summer 2004, Summer 2003, Fall 2002, Summer 2002, Spring 2002, Fall 2001, Summer 2001), Introduction to Microeconomics (Fall 2002, Spring 2002)

Online Course Developer and Instructor, January 2002 – May 2008

Metropolitan Community College of Kansas City, Blue River Campus

- Introduction to Macroeconomics (Fall 2002 – Spring 2007), Introduction to Microeconomics (Fall 2003 – Spring 2007)

Teaching Assistant, September 1998 – December 2005

University of Massachusetts, Department of Economics

- Introduction to Macroeconomics, Introduction to Microeconomics, Introduction to Political Economy, Labor in the U.S. Economy, Comparative Economic Systems – U.S. and Japan

Awards

Political Economy Research Institute Dissertation Fellowship, Fall 2006

United States Department of Agriculture Division Awards, 2000

Satish Raichur Award for Political Economy, University of Denver, 1998

Graduate Dean's Scholarship, University of Denver, 1997 – 1998

Phi Beta Kappa, 1995

Valedictorian Award, The George Washington University, 1991 – 1995

Presidential Scholarship, The George Washington University, 1991 - 1995

National Merit Scholarship, State Farm Insurance Companies, 1991 - 1995

Seminars and Presentations

Rethinking Marxism 20th Anniversary Conference, University of Massachusetts, September 19, 2008, "Agricultural Productivity Growth and the Development of U.S. Capitalism"

Beneath the Surface with Suzi Weissman, KPFK Pacifica Radio, Los Angeles, CA, April 21, 2008, "Food Prices and the Housing Crisis"

Left Forum 2008, New York, NY, March 16, 2008, "Food, Fuel, and Shelter: The Global Commodities Boom"

History and Development Workshop, Department of Economics, University of Massachusetts, December 12, 2007, "Seeds of Change: Technology and Class in U.S. Corn Production"

Economic Pluralism for the 21st Century, The International Confederation of Associations for Pluralism in Economics (ICAPE), Salt Lake City, UT, June 1, 2007, "Poverty and Plenty: Technical Change in the Industry of Agriculture"

Left Forum 2007, New York, NY, March 9, 2007, "Politics of Food: Rethinking U.S. Farm Policy"

Rethinking Marxism 2006, University of Massachusetts, October 26, 2006, "Class and the Industry of Agriculture"

Socialist Scholars Conference, New York, NY, March 12, 2004, "What's in the Beef? The Political Economy of U.S. Animal Agriculture"

Work History

Farm Owner and Manager, January 2002 – January 2007
Ramey Family Farm, Kingsville, MO

- Owned and managed small grain and cattle farm operation

Floor Clerk, June 2001 – August 2004
Kansas City Board of Trade (F.C. Stone, Frontier Futures, Refco, Cargill, Archer Daniels Midland), Kansas City, MO

- Provided trading floor support for wheat futures and options traders including receiving and conveying orders and market information between traders and customers; and recording, reconciling, and reporting trading activity

Professional Service

Editorial Board, *Rethinking Marxism*, August 2007 – present

Gala Conference Planning Committee, Association for Economic and Social Analysis (AESAs), October 2008 – present, October 2005 – November 2006

Amherst Coordinating Committee, AESA, Fall 2004 – present

Rethinking Marxism 20th Anniversary Conference Planning Committee, (AESAs), January 2008 – September 2008

Steward, Department of Economics, Graduate Employee Organization, University of Massachusetts, January 2005 – May 2006

Hiring Committee Representative, Department of Economics, University of Massachusetts, November 2004 – March 2005

Co-Chair, Economics Graduate Student Organization, University of Massachusetts, September 1998 – August 1999

References

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