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Professional Experience

Bank of Canada, Principal Researcher, 2021-present

Bank of Canada, Senior Economist, 2016-2021

Government of Newfoundland and Labrador, Office of the Child and Youth Advocate, Advocacy Services Specialist, 2006-2007

Futures in Newfoundland and Labrador's Youth, Executive Director, 2004-2006

Education

PhD, Economics, Queen's University, 2010-2016

MA, Economics, Queen's University, 2009-2010

BA, Economics, University of Manitoba, 2007-2009

BPhil, Interdisciplinary Leadership Studies, University of New Brunswick, 2000-2003

Research Interests

Applied Econometrics, Applied Microeconomics

Honours and Awards

Robert Mundell Prize for Best Article Published in the Canadian Journal of Economics by a Young Author, 2022

Bank of Canada Include Everyone Award of Excellence, 2021

C. A. Curtis Prize for Best Doctoral Thesis, Queen's University, 2016/17

Robert Mundell Prize for Best Article Published in the Canadian Journal of Economics by a Young Author, 2015

Atlantic Canada Economics Association Conference Best Student Presentation Award, 2015

Peer Review Journal Publications

"An Overview of Indigenous Economies in Canada," (with Calista Cheung), *Canadian Public Policy*, 50(4), (2024): 364-390

"COVID-19 and Implications for Automation," (with Casey Warman), *Applied Economics*, 55(17), (2023): 1939-1957

"Distributional and Housing Price Effects from Public Transit Investment: Evidence from Vancouver," (with Andrea Craig), *International Economic Review*, 63(1), (February 2022): 475-509

- “Firm Heterogeneity, Technology Adoption, and the Spatial Distribution of Population: Theory and Measurement,” *Canadian Journal of Economics*, 54(2), (May 2021): 475-521 (Winner of 2022 Robert Mundell Prize)
- “Local Labor Markets in Canada and the United States” (joint with David Albouy, Chandler Lutz, and Casey Warman), *Journal of Labor Economics*, 37(2), (July 2019): S533-S594
- “Between a Cap and a Higher Price: Modeling the Price of Dairy Quotas under Price Ceiling Legislation,” *Canadian Journal of Economics*, 48(4), (November 2015): 1403-1429 (Winner of 2015 Robert Mundell Prize)
- “1871 Productivity Differentials and the Decline of the Maritime Manufacturing Sector,” *Acadiensis*, XLII(1), (Winter/Spring 2014): 65-88

Bank of Canada Publications

- “Consumer Search, Productivity Heterogeneity, Prices, Markups, and Pass-through: Theory and Estimation,” (with Allen Head and Beverly Lapham), (2024) *Bank of Canada Staff Working Paper* 2024-50
- “An Overview of the Indigenous Economy in Canada,” (with Calista Cheung), (2023) *Bank of Canada Staff Discussion Paper* 2023-25
- “Digitalization: Labour Markets,” (with Gabriela Galassi), (2023) *Bank of Canada Staff Discussion Paper* 2023-16
- “COVID-19 and Implications for Automation,” (with Casey Warman), (2021) *Bank of Canada Staff Working Paper* 2021-25
- “Exchange Rates, Retailers, and Importing: Theory and Firm-Level Evidence,” (with Patrick Alexander), (2019) *Bank of Canada Staff Working Paper* 2019-34
- “Amazon Effects in Canadian Online Retail Firm-Product-Level Data,” (2019) *Bank of Canada Staff Working Paper*, 2019-42
- “The Scale and Scope of Online Retail,” (2019) *Bank of Canada Staff Analytical Note*, 2018-19
- “Local Labor Markets in Canada and the United States,” (with David Albouy, Chandler Lutz and Casey Warman), (2019) *Bank of Canada Staff Working Paper* 2019-12
- “Housing Price Network Effects from Public Transit Investment: Evidence from Vancouver,” (with Andrea Craig), (2018) *Bank of Canada Staff Working Paper* 2018-18
- “Trading up,” (with Stephen Murchison), (2018) *The Economy Plain and Simple* (September 28, 2018)
- “Firm Heterogeneity, Technological Adoption, and Urbanization: Theory and Measurement,” (2017) *Bank of Canada Staff Working Paper* 2017-27

Research Grants

- Network to Study Productivity from a Firm-Level Perspective Research Grant, 2014-2016
- John Deutsch Institute Doctoral Stipend, 2014-2015
- Donald S. Rickerd Fellowship, 2013-2014
- Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Doctoral Fellowship, 2012-2014
- Canadian Agricultural Trade Policy and Competitiveness Research Network Grant, 2012-2013
- Alan G. Green Travel Stipend for Economic History, 2012

Ontario Graduate Scholarship, 2012-2013
Queen's University E.G. Bauman Fellowship, 2011-2012
Queen's University R.S. McLaughlin Fellowship, 2010-2011
SSHRC J.A. Bombardier Canada Graduate Scholarship, 2009-2010
Manitoba Graduate Scholarship, 2008-2009

Presentations and Seminars

- 2024:** Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, Canadian Library of Parliament, Carleton University, Toronto Metropolitan University, University of Saskatchewan
- 2023:** Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association
- 2022:** Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association; Society for Economic Measurement Annual Conference
- 2021:** XI BIS CCA Research Conference on “The Economics of the Covid-19 Pandemic”
- 2020:** The Econometric Society and Bocconi University Virtual World Congress
- 2019:** North American Summer Meeting of the Econometric Society, 9th European Meeting of the Urban Economics Association, Bank of Canada Annual Conference
- 2018:** Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association; European Meeting of the Econometric Society; European Association for Research in Industrial Economics Annual Conference; International Association for Applied Econometrics Annual Conference; NBER Summer Institute; OECD Annual Conference of the Global Forum on Productivity; Rocky Mountain Empirical Trade Conference; Statistics Canada Socio-Economic Workshop
- 2017:** Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association; International Association for Applied Econometrics Annual Conference; Annual Congress of the European Economic Association; European Association for Research in Industrial Economics Annual Conference; Canadian Network for Economic History Conference
- 2016:** Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, North American Productivity Workshop
- 2015:** Annual Meeting of the Economic History Association; Cliometric Society Annual Conference; Canadian Resource and Environmental Economics Study Group Annual Conference; Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association; Atlantic Canada Economics Association Conference
- 2014:** Annual Meeting of the International Agricultural Trade Research Consortium; Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association; Canadian Network for Economic History Conference
- 2013:** Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association; Annual Meeting of the International Agricultural Trade Research Consortium; Annual Workshop of the ERCA Research Network on the Structure and Performance of Agriculture and Agri-products Industry; Third Annual Canadian Agricultural Policy Conference
- 2012:** Canadian Network for Economic History Conference; Atlantic Canada Economics Association Conference

Refereeing

Bulletin of Economic Research, Canadian Journal of Economics, Canadian Journal of Agricultural Economics, Defence and Peace Economics, Economic and Social Reports, Economic Inquiry, Economic Modelling, Journal of Economic History, Journal of Urban Economics, Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control, Small Business Economics

Teaching Experience

Online Introductory Undergraduate Microeconomics, Instructor, Queen's University, 2015

MA Econometrics, Teaching Assistant, Queen's University, 2014

Introductory Undergraduate Econometrics, Instructor, Queen's University, 2013

PhD Econometrics, Teaching Assistant, Queen's University, 2012

Service and Committee Experience

PhD Recruitment, Bank of Canada, 2022/2021

Symposium on Indigenous Economies, Planning Committee, Bank of Canada, 2021

Governor's Challenge National Undergraduate Competition, Chair, Bank of Canada, 2020/2021

Workplace Environmental Checkup Committee, Department Co-Chair, Bank of Canada, 2019/2020

Graduate Student Paper Award, Referee, Bank of Canada 2018/2019

Coordinator of department visiting speaker seminar series, Bank of Canada, 2017/2018

Canadian Network to Study Productivity from a Firm-Level Perspective. Participated in SSHRC Partnership Grant Proposal Development, 2015

Canadian Commission for UNESCO Youth Advisory Group, 2005-2010

Canadian Community Economic Development Network, Co-Chair Emerging Leaders Youth Committee, 2006-2009

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