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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Instructional Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Houston, September 2016 – present

Director of Undergraduate Advising and Affairs, Department of Economics, University of Houston, August 2010 - present

Clinical Assistant Professor, Department of Economics and Department of Business and Administration, joint appointment, University of Houston, September 2006 – 2016

Assistant Professor, University of Alabama, August 2004 - August 2006

EDUCATION

University of Houston

PhD, Economics, August 2004

Dissertation: “Essays on Unit Roots, Restricted Structural Change and Purchasing Power Parity”

Academy of Economic Studies, Romania

BA, Economics, June 1997

RESEARCH INTERESTS

International Finance and Macroeconomics, Time Series Econometrics and Forecasting, Statistical Methods.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Average for teaching effectiveness (last 6 years evaluations): 4.6 out of 5

Undergraduate level

- Econometrics (taught in class and online)
- Time Series Econometrics and Forecasting (taught in class and online)
- International Monetary Economics (taught in class and online)
- Intermediate Macroeconomics
- Macroeconomics Principles
- The Economics of Globalization
- Social Economy and Enterprise Academy Internship (Summer 2021)

Graduate Level

- Forecasting Methods and Time Series Econometrics (taught in class and online)
- Master Project – Statistical Methods
- Workshop on Classroom Instruction
- International Finance

DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATIVE DUTIES

- Curriculum design and management for the undergraduate economics program
- Developing, implementing, and assessing the Institutional Effectiveness plan for the undergraduate program, for the annual *Southern Association of Colleges and Schools* accreditation review.
- Organizing events for the Economics students as “Women in Economics” and “Professionals in Economics”
- Principles of Economics courses coordinator (overview the principles of Economics courses, supervising and training the new instructors, mostly graduate students)
- Supervising and evaluating the advisors in the department of Economics
- Providing advising to Economics majors and minors, specifically regarding careers, internships, and graduate school

- Reviewing and awarding department undergraduate scholarships
- Handling all cases of academic honesty for undergraduate economics
- Managing and designing the Economics department website (undergraduate programs)

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

- Undergraduate Committee of the University, August 2011- present, Vice-chair, August 2014-2017, Subcommittee chair, 2020-present
- College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Undergraduate Studies Committee, August 2010-present
- College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Student Scholarships committee (2013-present)
- Service on the Quality Enhancement Plan grant review committee for the UH Office of Discovery Based Learning (2010-2011)
- Faculty Governance Committee (2014-2015)
- Foundations of Excellence Committee (2014)
- Commencement Faculty Marshal (2010-present)

SOFTWARE PROFICIENCIES

R and R Studio, Stata, Matlab, Eviews, Gauss

PUBLICATIONS

“Policy Rules and Economic Performance” with David Papell and Alex Nikolsko-Rzhevskyy, *Journal of Macroeconomics*, Volume 68, June 2021.

“Long-run Purchasing Power Parity Redux” with David Papell, *Journal of International Money and Finance*, volume 109, December 2020.

“The Taylor Principles” with David Papell and Alex Nikolsko-Rzhevskyy, *Journal of Macroeconomics*, Volume 62, December 2019.

“The Yellen Rules” with David Papell and Alex Nikolsko-Rzhevskyy, *Journal of Macroeconomics*, Pages 59-71, vol. 54, part A, December 2017

“Why was The Plaza Accord Unique?” with Russell Green and David Papell, “*Currency Policy Then and Now: 30th Anniversary of the Plaza Accord*,” Chapter 8, volume edited by C.F. Bergsten and Russell Green (Peterson Institute for International Economics: Washington, DC), 2016.

“Policy Rule Legislation in Practice” with Alex Nikolsko-Rzhevskyy and David Papell, “*Central Bank Governance and Oversight Reform*,” Hoover Institution, Stanford University, 2016.

“Deviations from rules-based policy and their Effects” with Alex Nikolsko-Rzhevskyy and David Papell, *Journal of Economic Dynamics and Control*, Frameworks for Central Banking in the Next Century, vol. 49, 2014

“Time Series Tests of Constant Steady-State Growth” with David Papell, *Economic Modelling*, vol. 42, 2014

“The Statistical Behavior of GDP after Financial Crises and Severe Recessions” with David Papell, *The B.E. Journal of Macroeconomics*, 2012, vol. 12, issue 3, pages 1-31

“Markov switching and exchange rate predictability” with Alex Nikolsko-Rzhevskyy, *International Journal of Forecasting*, Volume 28, Issue 2, Pages: 353-365, 2012

“Forecasting Transnational Terrorism and other Series with an Unknown Number of Structural Breaks” with Walter Enders and Yu Liu, *Defense & Peace Economics*, pages 441-463, Volume 20, Issue 6, 2009

“Forecasting Persistent Data with Possible Structural Breaks: Old School and New School Lessons Using OECD Unemployment Rates” with Walt Enders, *Frontiers of Economics and Globalization*, volume 4, Elsevier, June 2008

“Potential Pitfalls in Determining Multiple Structural Changes with an Application to Purchasing Power Parity,” *Journal of Business and Economics Statistics*, volume 26, 50-65, January 2008

“Restricted Structural Change and the Unit Root Hypothesis” with David Papell, *Economic Inquiry*, Vol. 45, 834-853, October 2007

“Additional Evidence of Long Run Purchasing Power Parity with Restricted Structural Change” with David Papell, *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*, 38,1329-1349, 2006

“The Uncertain Unit Root in U.S. Real GDP: Evidence with Restricted and Unrestricted Structural Change” with David Papell, *Journal of Money, Credit and Banking*, vol. 36, No. 3, 423-427, June 2004

WORK IN PROGRESS

“Policy Rule Forward Guidance Following the COVID-19 Recession” with David Papell

“The Fed’s Policy Rules and the Neutral Real Interest Rate” with Erika Musaico and David Papell

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

International Economics and Finance Society, January 2005

Texas Econometrics Camp VIII, February 2003

SEA Conference, November 2002

EEA Meetings, August 2004

Econometrics Society Meetings, July 2004

Texas Econometrics Camp IX, March 2004

SEA Conference, November 2003

Annual symposium of the society for nonlinear dynamics and econometrics, March 2006

Texas Econometrics Camp XII, February 2007

International Symposium for Forecasting, June 2007

Texas Econometrics Camp XIV, January 2009

University of Pittsburgh, February 2009

Midwest Economics Association Meetings, March 2009

Southern Economics Meetings, November 2009

University of Cincinnati, February 2009

University of Memphis, October 2010

Federal Reserve Bank of Boston 2012

Annual symposium of the society for nonlinear dynamics and econometrics, March 2016