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### **Education and Experience**

#### Degrees:

Ph.D. Economics, University of Colorado at Boulder, 2000  
M.A. Economics, University of Colorado at Boulder, 1996  
B.A. Economics, University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, 1990

#### Fields of Specialization:

Public Choice Economics  
International Economics  
Institutional Political Economy  
Economic Education

#### Professional Experience:

Senior Instructor, Economics Department, University of Colorado, 2017-present  
Instructor, Economics Department, University of Colorado, 2005-2017  
Lecturer, Economics Department, University of Colorado, 2000-2005  
Graduate Student Instructor, Economics Department, University of Colorado, 1996-2000  
Teaching Assistant, Economics Department, University of Colorado, 1994-1996  
Accountant, Rubicon Programs Inc. Richmond, CA 1991-1993

### **Teaching**

University of Colorado, Boulder, CO:

#### Instructor:

BECN 4200, Business and Society  
ECON 4999, Economics in Action – Public Choice Economics  
ECON 4939, Internship in Economics  
ECON 4818, Introduction to Econometrics  
ECON 4808, Introduction to Mathematical Economics  
ECON 4784, Development Economics  
ECON 4535, Natural Resource Economics  
ECON 4413, International Trade  
ECON 4221, Political Economics  
ECON 3545, Environmental Economics  
ECON 3403, International Economics and Policy  
ECON 3070, Intermediate Microeconomic Theory

ECON 2020, Principles of Macroeconomics  
ECON 2010, Principles of Microeconomics  
ECON 1088, Math Tools for Economics II  
ECON 1078, Math Tools for Economics I  
ECON 1000, Introduction to Economics

## Research

### Published works:

"International Economic Sanctions Against a Dictator" *Economics and Politics*, 2004. **16**. (with W.H. Kaempfer and A.D. Lowenberg).

"The Political Economy of Immigration Policy: Some Simple Interest Group Analytics," *Journal of Public Finance and Public Choice*, 2004 no.3 (with W.H. Kaempfer and A.D. Lowenberg).

"The Political Market for Immigration Restrictions: Model and Test," *Journal of International Trade and Development*, 2007, vol. 16, issue 2 (with O.B. Bodvarsson, W.H. Kaempfer and A.D. Lowenberg).

"The Test Assessment Questionnaire: A Tool for Student Self-Assessment after the Midterm Exam," *Journal of Economics and Economic Education Research*, 2013, vol. 14, issue 2 (with Katherine M. Sauer).

### Working Papers:

"An Interest Group Analysis of Transnational Terrorism," (with W.H. Kaempfer and A.D. Lowenberg) 2004. Presented at the 2004 Public Choice Conference.

## Awards

- AEA Committee on Economic Education Certificate of Achievement, 2010.
- CU Gold Integrity Award, 2009.
- Academic Excellence Trio Advanced Study Community Certificate of Appreciation (For Mentorship of Undergraduates), 2009.
- Residence Life Academic Teaching Award, Committee on Learning and Academic Support Services, University of Colorado at Boulder (nominated by undergraduate students), 2005.
- Stanford Calderwood Teaching Excellence Award, 1996.
- University of Colorado Fellowship, 1995.

**Service**

CU-Boulder Economics Department Service:

Undergraduate Economics Club, Faculty Advisor 2005-present

Undergraduate Economics Tutoring Program Director 2005-present

Faculty Advisor, CU in DC Internship Program 2014-present

Mathematics Program Supervisor 2009-2022

Graduate Admissions and Assistance Committee 2021-22

Undergraduate Curriculum Review Committee 2008-2010, 2013-14

Faculty Advisor, Omicron Delta Epsilon, CU Boulder Chapter 2005-2012

Graduate Curriculum Review Committee 1998-99

Guest Lecturer: Economics Department's Graduate Teacher Luncheon Series 2010, 2012

Service as Referee:

International Social Science Journal (2015)

International Studies Quarterly (2008)

Asia Policy (2008)

The Journal of Energy and Development (2006)

Other Service:

Treasurer: Organization for Economic Literacy

Instructor: Economic Literacy courses for The Colorado Council for Economic Education