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## Education

**Ph.D. Economics**, University of Michigan, 2014.

Main fields: Public Finance, Corporate Finance, Taxation

Committee: James R. Hines Jr., Joel Slemrod, Christopher House, Justin Wolfers

**M.A. Economics**, University of Michigan, 2010.

**B.A. Economics and Mathematics**, Grinnell College, 2007.

## Employment

**Assistant Professor**, Grinnell College Department of Economics, 2014 - present.

## Research

“The Effect of Corporate Taxation on Investment and Financial Policy: Evidence from the DPAD”  
(Forthcoming, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy)

“Corporate Charitable Foundations, Executive Entrenchment, and Shareholder Distributions” with Nicolas J. Duquette (Revision requested, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization)

“The Effect of Tax Incentives on U.S. Manufacturing: Evidence from State Accelerated Depreciation Policies” (under review)

“The Impact of Shareholder Taxation on Mergers and Acquisitions,” with Nathan Seegert. (under review)

“Do Investors Value Tax Investment Incentives? Evidence from Bonus Depreciation and the Fiscal Cliff”  
(in progress)

“The Effect of Patent Boxes on the International Flows of Royalties and Charges for the Use of Intellectual Property” (in progress)

## Grants and Awards

Committee for the Support of Faculty Scholarship grant, Grinnell College – 2017, 2018

International Institute for Public Finance 2016 Annual Congress – Young Economist Award for papers  
“that stand out for their scientific quality, creativity and relevance”

International Tax Policy Forum Research Grant – 2015–2016

Oxford Centre for Business Taxation Annual Doctoral Meeting – Best Paper 2013

Michigan Economics Society – Award for Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor, Fall 2010

Michigan Dept. of Economics – Letters of Commendation for Excellent Teaching - Fall 2009, Winter 2010

Michigan Dept. of Economics – Summer Research Apprenticeship - 2009, 2010

Rackham Travel Grant – 2011, 2012

Phi Beta Kappa, 2007

## Professional Activities

Referee: Journal of Comparative Economics, International Tax and Public Finance, American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, Southern Economic Journal, National Tax Journal

## Presentations

- 2017: Wesleyan University Economics Seminar  
Lyon College Omicron Delta Epsilon Invited Speaker  
International Institute for Public Finance Annual Congress  
National Tax Association Annual Conference on Taxation
- 2016: Duke University Department of Economics Public Finance Seminar  
National Tax Association Annual Conference on Taxation  
International Institute for Public Finance Annual Congress  
Michigan Tax Invitational Ross Business School University of Michigan  
National Bureau of Economic Research (NBER) Universities' Conference on State Business Taxation  
ITPF & IIEL Conference on the Taxation of Intellectual Property in a Global Economy
- 2015: Grinnell College Data Seminar Series  
Oxford Centre for Business Taxation Academic Symposium  
National Tax Association Annual Conference on Taxation  
Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting
- 2014: Invited Presentation: US Department of the Treasury, Office of Tax Analysis  
National Tax Association Annual Conference on Taxation  
University of Michigan Tax Invitational
- 2013: National Tax Association Annual Conference on Taxation  
Invited Presentation: US Department of the Treasury, Office of Tax Analysis  
U of M Public Finance, U of M Corporate Finance
- 2012: U of M Public Finance, Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting
- 2011 and prior: U of M PFFLS, U of M Informal Labor

## Selected Teaching Experience

- Professor – Grinnell College  
Introduction to Economics (ECN 111) – Fall 2014, Spring 2015, Fall 2015, Fall 2016  
Public Finance (ECN 250) – Spring 2015  
Introduction to Financial and Managerial Accounting (ECN 326) – Fall 2014–2016  
Corporate Finance (ECN 327) – Spring 2015–2016  
Seminar in Causal Inference Techniques (ECN 395) – Spring 2016

## Service

- 2016: Co-Chair Grinnell College Scholarship Selection Committee  
Phi Beta Kappa, Beta of Iowa Chapter Committee Member
- 2015: Grinnell College Scholarship Selection Committee  
Grinnell College Apparel Purchasing Committee  
Workshop on Teaching with Technology and Technology Studies  
Phi Beta Kappa, Beta of Iowa Chapter Committee Member

## Media & Policy Engagement

- 2016: Research presented at House Finance Committee Hearing on Business Tax Policy

## **Additional Research Work Experience**

*Research Assistant* - Prof. James Hines, Department of Economics, UofM. Fall 2010.

*Summer Research Apprenticeship* with Prof. James Hines, Department of Economics, UofM. Summer 2010.

*Summer Research Apprenticeship* with Prof. David Lam, Department of Economics, UofM. Summer 2009.