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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”
(American Economic Journal: Economic Policy Vol. 10, No.2, May 2018 (pp. 272 - 301))

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

“The Effect of Tax Incentives on U.S. Manufacturing: Evidence from State Accelerated Depreciation Policies” (Revision Requested, Journal of Public Economics)

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

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