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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

### Published and Forthcoming

“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

(Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization Volume 152, August 2018 (pp. 235 - 253))

“Taxes and the Location of U.S. Business Activity Abroad” with Jack Mutti

(Forthcoming, National Tax Journal)

### Under Review

“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 Investor-Level on Mergers and Acquisitions,” with Nathan Seegert

### In Progress

“Corporate Tax Breaks and Executive Compensation”

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

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

## 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, Journal of Finance, Journal of Public Economics, International Tax and Public Finance, National Tax Journal, Southern Economic Journal

## **Presentations**

2018: National Bureau of Economic Research Taxation of Business Income Conference  
U.S. Treasury Office of Tax Analysis Research Conference  
Conference of Macroeconomists from Liberal Arts Colleges

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)  
Public Finance (ECN 250)  
Introduction to Financial and Managerial Accounting (ECN 326)  
Corporate Finance (ECN 327)  
Seminar in Causal Inference Techniques (ECN 395)

## **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**

2018: Marginal Revolution, [www.marginalrevolution.com](http://www.marginalrevolution.com), May 2, 2018

2017: Marginal Revolution, [www.marginalrevolution.com](http://www.marginalrevolution.com), October 26, 2018

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.