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Curriculum Vitae

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Citizenship

Canadian

Education

Ph. D. Economics, University of Western Ontario, 2013.

M.A. Economics, University of Western Ontario, 2008.

B.A. Honours Economics, University of Western Ontario, 2007.

Employment

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of New South Wales, School of Economics, 2017-

Postdoctoral Research Fellow, University of Technology, Sydney, Economics Discipline Group, 2016-2017

Senior Research Associate, University of Zürich, Department of Economics, 2013-2015

Dissertation

Essays on Mechanism Design and the Informed Principal Problem

Committee Members: Professors Charles Zheng (supervisor), Al Slivinski, Maria Goltsman, Gregory Pavlov

Teaching/Research Interests

Microeconomics, game theory, information acquisition, mechanism design, auction theory

Publications

The Strategically Ignorant Principal

Forthcoming in *Games and Economic Behavior*

Contracts in informed-principal problems with moral hazard

Forthcoming *Economic Theory Bulletin*

Works in Progress

Optimal incentives for innovation

Contests with non-monotonic values and correlated, asymmetric information (*with Charles Zheng*)

Ironing, sweeping and majorization: optimal mechanisms for excludable non-rival goods (*with Jacob Goeree*)

Presentations

Optimal Mechanisms for Selling a Public Good with Interdependent Values (*with Jacob Goeree*)

University of Western Ontario; September 2016

University of Guelph; September 2016

University of Waterloo; September 2016

Plea Bargaining as an Informed Principal Problem

Zürich-Basel Workshop in Micro Theory, January 2015; University of Zürich

Bidder-Led Collusion

3rd ESEI Market Design Workshop, Cologne-Zürich, September 2013; University of Cologne

The Strategically Ignorant Principal

University of Technology, Sydney; May 2013

ESEI Center for Market Design, University of Zurich; April 2013

University of Maastricht; April 2013

HECER; February 2013

Fall Midwest Economic Theory Meeting, Washington University in St. Louis; October 2012

Western Economics Alumni Conference in Honour of Yvonne Adams, University of Western Ontario; September 2012;

PhD Workshop in Economics, University of Guelph; August 2012

International Conference on Game Theory, Stony Brook University; July 2012

Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association (CEA), University of Calgary; June 2012

Professional Activities

Teaching Development

Teaching Workshop for Subjects Heavy in Mathematics, UWO April 2013; attendee

Discussions

Conference of the Canadian Economics Association (CEA), June 2012; University of Calgary

Discussant for "Marketing versus Engineering: Who Should Decide?" by Stefen Ambec and Michel Poitevin

Refereeing

Springer Series in Reliability Engineering

Theory and Decision

Scholarships and Awards

TM Brown Thesis prize, 2013, awarded for the best thesis in Economics at the University of Western Ontario, \$400

Ontario Graduate Scholarship, 2011, \$15 000 annually

Western Graduate Research Scholarship, 2007-2012, currently \$6804 annually

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Canadian Graduate Scholarship (Joseph-Armand Bombardier CGS), Doctoral, 2008-2011, \$35 000 annually

Ontario Graduate Scholarship, 2008, \$15 000 annually

Declined: the Ontario Graduate Scholarship and the Canadian Graduate Scholarship cannot be held concurrently.

Borwein Memorial Prize (Mathematics), 2007, \$100

Four Year Continuing Admission Scholarships (Western), 2003-2006, \$2000 annually

Shaw Foundation Scholarship, 2006, \$1500

Dr. Mark K. Inman Scholarship, 2006, \$1000

Dr. W. Glenn Campbell and Dr. Mark K. Inman Scholarships in Economics, 2005, \$2000

Shaw Family Foundation Scholarship, 2005, \$1000

Research Assistance

Research Assistant, Professor Charles Zheng, Department of Economics, University of Western Ontario, Fall 2012

Research Assistant, Professor Ben Lester, Department of Economics, University of Western Ontario, Summer 2010

Teaching Experience

Instructor, The University of Technology, Sydney

Market Design (Core Ph.D.) - Spring 2016

Instructor, The University of Zürich

Advanced Microeconomic Theory - Mechanism Design (Ph.D.) - Spring 2014

Instructor, The University of Western Ontario

Intermediate Microeconomic Theory I - Summer 2012

Graduate Teaching Assistant, The University of Western Ontario

Intermediate Honours Microeconomics II - Winter 2010, 2012

Intermediate Honours Microeconomics I - Fall 2009, 2011

Responsibilities included occasional lectures.

Senior Research Seminar in Economics - Fall/Winter 2010/2011

Responsibilities running occasional tutorials and counselling students on their research.

Microeconomics II - (Ph. D Level) Winter 2009.

Responsibilities included running weekly tutorials.

Macroeconomics I - (Ph. D Level) Fall 2008.

Responsibilities included running weekly tutorials.

Introductory Economics - Fall/Winter 2007/2008

Tutor, Intermediate Macroeconomics (honors undergraduate), 2005

Advising

Carlo Possenti, MA, 2014, University of Zürich, committee member

Service

Graduate Representative, Committee for Academic Policy, Department of Economics, University of Western Ontario, 2009/2010

Editor, Western Undergraduate Economic Review, 2006/2007

Vice President of Communications, Economics Students' Association, 2005-2007

References

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