

Curriculum Vitae

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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

University of Redlands, Redlands, CA

Associate Professor, Department of Economics

Fall 2020 – Present

Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

Fall 2016 – Spring 2020

Courses taught: Ecological Economics, Environmental and Resource Economics, Senior Seminar in Economics, Microeconomic Theory, Research Methods in Economics, Principles of Economics, Economics and Society, Feminist Economics.

Sarah Lawrence College, Bronxville, NY

Guest Faculty, Economics

Fall 2014 – Spring 2016

Courses taught: Economics of the Ecological Crisis, Political Economy of Energy and Climate Change, Economics of Inequality, Introduction to Economic Theory and Policy

American University, Washington, DC

Adjunct Instructor

Spring 2012, 2013; Fall 2013

Course taught: Principles of Macroeconomics

EDUCATION

American University, Washington, DC

Ph.D. in Economics

May 2015

Dissertation: "When Green Isn't All There Is to Be: An Analysis of Voluntary Greenhouse Gas Reduction Goals"

Committee: Professor Maria Floro (chair), Professor Robert Feinberg, Dr. Daniel Fiorino

B.A. in International Studies and Economics, *Summa cum Laude*

May 2007

Honors Thesis: "African Economic Integration"

PUBLICATIONS

"Gender Inequality," entry in *The Dictionary of Ecological Economics* (Brent Haddad and Barry D. Solomon, eds.), Edward Elgar Press: Cheltenham, UK (forthcoming, 2023).

"Feminist Ecological Economics: A Care-Centered Approach to Sustainability," (with Maria Floro) in *Sustainable Consumption and Production, Volume 1: Challenges and Development* (Ranjula Bali Swain and Susanne Sweet, eds.), Palgrave Macmillan: New York, 2021, p. 369-389.

Principles of Economics in a Nutshell (with Lorenzo Garbo and Dorene Isenberg), Routledge: London, 2020.

"Stakeholders and Voluntary Climate Reduction Goals at Large U.S. Firms: An Institutional Analysis," *The Social Science Journal* 55, 2018, p. 221-231.

"Engendering Growth Diagnostics: Examining Constraints to Private Investment and Entrepreneurship" (with Leanne Roncolato and Caren Grown), *Development Policy Review* 35(2), January 2017, p. 263-287.

“Mind the GAP: Evaluation Report of the Implementation of the Operational Policy on Gender Equality in Development (Gender Policy) and Gender Action Plan for Operations, 2011-2012 (GAP),” (with Caren Grown and Leanne Roncolato) Inter-American Development Bank, Washington, DC, February 2014.

“Rising Job Complexity and the Need for Government Guaranteed Work and Training,” (with Jon Wisman) in *The Job Guarantee: Toward True Full Employment*, Matthew Forstater & Michael Murray, eds. Palgrave Macmillan: New York, 2013.

“Changing the Question,” *Synthesis/Regeneration Magazine*, 45, winter 2008

WORKS IN PROGRESS

“Nationalism as a Response to Worker Militancy,” (with Jon Wisman, American University).

“Gender, Agriculture, and Climate Adaptation in Ethiopia,” (with Kevin McGee, World Bank).

“Immigration Aversion Under Labor Bargaining,” (with Riko Rosete, Central Connecticut State University).

“Stakeholder Groups and Firms’ Corporate Sustainability Decisions,” (with Ranjula Bali Swain, Stockholm School of Economics).

CONFERENCE AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS

“Energy Revolutions: Economic History, Economic Future,” Climate Teach-In, University of Redlands, April 7, 2022.

“Exploring Gendered Impacts of Climate Change through Feminist Ecological Economics,” Gender, Research, and Action in the Global South Seminar Series, REACH programme, University of Oxford School of Geography and Environment, December, 3, 2021. Video available [here](#).

“Stakeholder Groups and Firms’ Corporate Sustainability Decisions,” presented at:
Mistra Center for Sustainable Markets (MISUM) Works in Progress Seminar, Stockholm, Sweden, September 2019 (by Ranjula Bali Swain).
Alliance for Research on Corporate Sustainability (ARCS) conference (online), Bocconi University, Milan, June, 2020 (by Ranjula Bali Swain).

“Immigration Aversion Under Labor Bargaining,” presented at:
Eastern Economic Association annual conference, virtual, February 2021

“Feminist Ecological Economics: Understanding Links Between Nature and Social Reproduction,” University of Redlands Faculty Forum, January 23, 2020.

“Gender, Agriculture, and Climate Adaptation in Ethiopia,” presented at:
International Association for Feminist Economics (IAFFE) annual conference, Glasgow, UK, June 2019
Midwest Economic Association annual conference, St. Louis, MO, March 2019
Eastern Economic Association annual conference, Boston, MA, March 2018.

“Management, Stakeholders, and Climate Policy at Large U.S. Firms: An Institutional Analysis,” Association for Institutional Thought at Western Social Science Association meetings, Reno, NV, April 2016.

“Engendering Growth Diagnostics: Examining Constraints to Private Investment and Entrepreneurship,” Eastern Economics Association annual conference, New York, NY, February 2015.

“Characteristics of Voluntary Environmental Program Members: The Case of EPA’s Climate Leaders,” Midwest Economics Association Meeting, Evanston, IL, March 2014.

“Engendering the Growth Diagnostics Analysis: An Application to Ghana” (with Zehra Aftab, Ivanova Reyes, & Vanya Slavchevska) Project presented at Millennium Challenge Corporation brown bag & US Agency for International Development Economic Growth Sector Council seminars, May 2011.

“Rising Job Complexity and the Need for Government Guaranteed Work and Training,” World Congress for Social Economics, Montreal, QC, June 2010.

HONORS THESES

“Predicting affirmative supply-affecting updates in RuneScape,” Alec Romero, Economics, AY 2021-22 (Committee chair).

“A Bargaining Analysis of the Market for Paid Sex,” Annika Ziegler, Economics, AY 2020-21 (Committee chair).

“‘If You’re Not at the Table, You’re on the Menu:’ Conflict Between Community and Logistics in the Transition to Inclusive Economic Policy in the Inland Empire,” Skye Cote, Economics, AY 2020-21 (Committee member).

“Gendered Green Consumption: The Presence of Free Riders in the Green Product Market,” Amanda Siefert, Economics, AY2019-20 (Committee chair).

“Are Data Vulnerabilities Ticking Time Bombs? A Timing Game in Information Security Investments,” Sara Solares, Economics, AY2019-20 (Committee member).

INDEPENDENT STUDIES

“Ecological Economics for Business and Public Policy,” with Brennan Costanza and Carl Segovia, Spring 2022 (3 credits)

“Economics of Suburbanization and the Environment,” with Ryuko Novak-Murano, Fall 2021 (4 credits).

“Politicization of Climate Change,” with Caillie Roach, Fall 2020-Spring 2021 (2 credits/semester, advising for student-led Johnston course)

“Research Assistantship,” with Annika Ziegler, Fall 2020 (2 credits)

“Advanced Environmental Economics,” with Amanda Siefert, Fall 2019 (4 credits)

“Advanced Political Economy,” with Elise Eifler, Spring 2019 (2 credits, Johnston)

“Ecological Economics and Sustainable Communities,” with Evan Ferguson, Fall 2017 (2 credits, Johnston)

“Neoliberalism Unveiled,” with Benjamin Swank, Fall 2016-Spring 2017 (2 credits/semester, advising for student-led Johnston course)

MEDIA AND PANEL APPEARANCES

Interview for WalletHub, "[2022's Most & Least Diverse States in America](#)," by Adam McCann, Sept. 14, 2022. Quoted in "Redlands to weigh development, housing restrictions," by Jennifer Iyer, *Redlands Daily Facts*, July 31, 2021.

Interview on KVCR Riverside public radio, "This is How Wildfires, Climate Change, and Affordable Housing Are All Linked," by Megan Jamerson, September 15, 2020.

Quoted in "California wildfire dilemma: Can the state keep bailing out counties ravaged by disaster?" by Tony Bizjak, *The Sacramento Bee*, May 2, 2019.

Panelist, *Farmers for America* screening, University of Redlands, April 2019.

Guest, "Viewpoints with Todd van der Heyden," syndicated Canadian radio show, December 15, 2018.

Panelist, "Ethics and the Environment," *Beyond the Great Divide* seminar, University of Redlands, March 2017.

Moderator, Panel on Income Inequality, American University Democrats Next Steps Conference, 2014.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

Member, Faculty Review Committee, Fall 2021-Spring 2022.

Student worker supervisor, Department of Economics, Spring 2021-Spring 2022.

Chair, Search Committee for Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Spring 2020.

Johnston Center Advising Fellow, Fall 2019-Spring 2020.

Member, Study Abroad Advisory Committee, Fall 2018 – Spring 2022.

Member, First Year Seminar Working Group, College of Arts and Sciences, Fall 2018 – Spring 2020.

Member, University Sustainability Council, Fall 2017 – Spring 2020.

Faculty Advisor, Omicron Epsilon Delta (Economics Honors Society), Fall 2018 – Spring 2022.

Member, Search Committee for Assistant Professor of Economics, Fall 2019 – Spring 2020.

Member, Student Fee Review Panel, Spring 2019.

Member, Search Committee for Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Spring 2019.

Member, Dean's Advisory Council, Spring 2018 – Spring 2019.

Member, Grievance Committee, Fall 2017 – Spring 2019.

Member, selection committee for Smith Family and other travel grants, March 2019.

Interviewer, selection committee for Proudian Honors Program, 2016 – 2020.

Member, CAS Strategic Planning Committee, Spring 2018.

Member, Search Committee for Assistant Professor in Department of Environmental Studies, Spring 2018.

Member, Sarah Lawrence College Sustainability Committee, 2015-16.

Faculty consultant, *Sarah Lawrence Political Review*, 2015-16.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Article reviewer

Social Sciences, 2021

Common Ground Research Networks, 2020 - present

Development Policy Review, 2015

Chair and discussant, "Economic Development: Issues in Policy, Sustainability, and Agriculture," Eastern Economic Association annual conference, Boston, MA, March 2018.

External dissertation committee member for Jack Anderson, PhD in Philosophy, University of Utah, "Practical Reason and the Economic Account of Choice: An Examination and Defense of the Possibility of Choosing via Trimodal Comparison," October 2016.

Chair and discussant, "The Role of Education in Economic Development," Eastern Economic Association annual conference, New York, NY, February 2015

OTHER PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Inter-American Development Bank, Washington, DC

Short-Term Research Assistant Consultant

January, February 2014

- Co-authored report for IDB Gender and Diversity Inclusion Division on the implementation of the Bank's Gender Action Plan (GAP) to promote the integration of gender analysis into development projects and direct investments in projects to improve gender equity.
- Conducted 28 semi-structured interviews with Bank staff from the level of executive management to in-country project team leaders and consultants
- Analyzed qualitative data gathered from interviews used in the drafting of the Bank report

Office of Merit Awards, American University, Washington, DC

Graduate Advising Fellow

August 2009 – August 2013

- Worked as an advisor in the office that manages university participation in nationally competitive, merit-based scholarship competitions.
- Managed American University's participation in 3 national scholarship competitions and co-managed 3 others.
- Mentored 83 applicants for national scholarships, 32 of whom are national scholarship recipients and 15 of whom are finalists.
- Co-mentored students for Rhodes, Marshall, Mitchell, and Fulbright UK Scholarships, participating in university selection committee to select nominees, working with students to research graduate schools in the UK and select programs, and guiding research into relevant current events.
- Met with high-performing juniors and seniors to formulate post-graduation plans and identify potential nominees for major scholarship competitions.

New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO),
Washington, DC

Researcher

May 2007 – August 2009

- Wrote roughly 45 summaries of articles and studies each month on renewable energy, US energy policy, and energy efficiency that were published in a daily overseas dispatch, read by more than 1,000 employees at the Japanese quasi-governmental agency NEDO as well as staff at the Japanese Ministry of Economy, Trade, and Industry (METI).
- Provided analysis on-demand for NEDO employees and METI staff on a variety of issues such as tax policy, financing of renewable energy projects, and the economics of climate change policies.
- Attended briefings, seminars, and Congressional hearings on renewable energy issues in the Washington area and wrote reports of the proceedings for a weekly overseas newsletter.
- Participated in advising groups on clean energy for the World Bank's Clean Development Fund and the development of a clean energy technology roadmap for the government of Ontario.

AWARDS

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| Ziesing Fund Award, Sarah Lawrence College | 2015 - 2016 |
| Weaver Award for Excellence in Teaching by a Graduate Student, AU Dept. of Economics | April 2014 |
| Department of Economics Dissertation Fellowship, American University | Spring 2014 |
| Graduate Fellowship, American University | 2009 – 2013 |
| Completion of 3-year Greenberg Teaching Seminar Series, American University | 2013 |
| College of Arts & Sciences Mellon Travel Grant, American University | 2010 |
| Presidential Scholarship, American University | 2003 – 2007 |

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIPS

American Economic Association
International Society of Ecological Economics
International Association for Feminist Economics