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## CURRENT POSITIONS

- Jan. 2007 – **The Brookings Institution**, Washington, DC  
*Senior Fellow in Economic Studies (currently on leave)*  
*Director of The Hamilton Project (resigned position as of June 9, 2008)*
- Mar. 2005 - **New York University, Wagner Graduate School of Public Service**, New York, NY  
*Visiting Scholar*

## PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT

- Jan. 2005 - **Center on Budget and Policy Priorities**, Washington, DC  
Jan. 2007 *Senior Fellow*
- Mar. 2004 – **Kerry-Edwards for President**, Washington, DC  
Nov. 2004 *Economic Policy Director*
- Sep. 2003 - **Wesley Clark for President**, Little Rock, AR  
Feb. 2004 *Policy Director*
- Sep. 2002 – **Columbia University, School of International and Public Affairs**, New York, NY  
June 2003 *Adjunct Professor*
- Sep. 2001 – **Yale University Department of Economics**, New Haven, CT  
May 2002 *Lecturer*
- Jan. 2001 - **Sebago Associates**  
Sep. 2002 *Director*
- Aug. 2000 - **Gore-Lieberman 2000**, Nashville, TN  
Dec. 2000 *Senior Economic Adviser*
- Aug. 2000 - **White House**, National Economic Council, Washington, DC  
Jun. 1999 *Special Assistant to the President for Economic Policy (promoted from Senior Director)*
- July 1997 - **World Bank**, Development Economics and Chief Economist, Washington, DC  
Sept. 1998 *Senior Economic Adviser to the Senior Vice President and Chief Economist*

Aug. 1996 - **Council of Economic Advisers**, Washington, DC  
June 1997 *Staff Economist*

## EDUCATION

Harvard University	PhD in Economics, 1995-2003.
Harvard University	MA in Government, 1993-1995.
London School of Economics	MSc in Economics, 1992-1993.
Harvard University	BA in Social Studies, <i>magna cum laude</i> , 1988-1992.

## ACADEMIC AND SELECTED POLICY PAPERS

“A Strategy for American Power: Energy Climate and National Security,” Edited by Sharon Burke and Christine Parthemore, Contributor with Josh Busby, Christine Matthews, and Amy Myers Jaffe, June 2008.

“Health Reform Through Tax Reform: A Primer,” *Health Affairs*, May/June 2008.

“If, When and How: A Primer on Fiscal Stimulus,” with Doug Elemendorf, *Tax Notes*, Volume 118, No. 5, January 28, 2008, pps 545-559.

“A Hand Up: A Strategy to Reward Work, Expand Opportunity and Reduce Poverty,” with Jason Bordoff and Paige L. Shevlin, *The Hamilton Project*, December 2007.

“An Economic Strategy to Address Climate Change and Promote Energy Security,” with Jason Bordoff, Manasi Deshpande, and Pascal J. Noel, *The Hamilton Project*, October 2007.

“Achieving Progressive Tax Reform in an Increasingly Global Economy,” with Jason Bordoff and Lawrence H. Summers, *The Hamilton Project*, June 2007.

“Still Crazy After All These Years,” with Alan Auerbach and William Gale, *Tax Notes*, May 21, 2007.

“The Promise of Progressive Cost Consciousness in Health-care Reform,” *The Hamilton Project*, April 2007.

“An Evaluation of the President’s Health Insurance Proposal,” with Leonard Burman, Greg Leiserson, and Robertson Williams, *Tax Notes* March 12, 2007.

“An Education Strategy to Promote Opportunity, Prosperity, and Growth,” with Joshua Bendor and Jason Bordoff, *The Hamilton Project*, February 2007.

“If You Are Going to Do Social Policy Through the Tax Code, Do It Right,” *Tax Notes*, January 18, 2007.

“Two Wrongs Do Not Make a Right,” *National Tax Journal*, September 2006.

“A Short Guide to Dynamic Scoring,” *Center on Budget and Policy Priorities*, August 24, 2006.

“Do Revenue Surprises Tell Us Much About the Cost of Tax Cuts,” July 18, 2006.

“Our Unhealthy Tax Code,” *Democracy*, Summer 2006.

“Tax Reform and Poverty,” *Tax Notes*, June 12, 2006.

“Expanding HSAs: Too Much of a Bad (or Even Good) Thing,” *Tax Notes*, June 12, 2006.

“Closing the Tax Gap,” Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, April 10, 2006.

“The Tax Reform Panel’s Costly Proposal,” Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, November 30, 2005.

“Would Private Accounts Provide a Higher Rate Of Return Than Social Security?” Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, June 2, 2005.

“Does Galveston Offer a Model for Social Security Reform,” Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, June 2, 2005.

“An Economic Analysis of Microsoft’s Abusive Tie and Its Impact on Consumers, Competition and Innovation,” with Joseph Stiglitz and Jonathan Orszag, before the Court of First Instance, European Union, May 2, 2005.

“An Analysis of Using ‘Progressive Price Indexing’ to Set Social Security Benefits,” Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, March 21, 2005.

“How the Individual Accounts in the President’s Social Security Plan Would Work,” Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, February 4, 2005.

“Should the Budget Be Changed to Exclude the Cost of Individual Accounts?” with William Gale and Peter Orszag, *Tax Notes*, January 24, 2005.

“The International Transmission of Monetary Policy,” with John Leahy, Harvard University Working Paper, 2003.

“Declaration of Joseph E. Stiglitz and Jason Furman in the Proposed Final Judgment for Microsoft,” January 28, 2002.

“Tax Cuts vs. Spending Increases: Is There a Basis for Chairman Greenspan's Preference for Tax Cuts?” with Peter Orszag, Center for Budget and Policy Priorities, March 27, 2001.

“Preventing and Mitigating Economic Crises,” *International Social Science Journal*, 51:162, December 1999.

“Economic Crises: Evidence and Insights from East Asia,” with Joseph Stiglitz, *Brookings Papers on Economic Activity* 1:1999, pp. 1-135.

“The Economic Consequences of Inequality,” with Joseph Stiglitz, in *Income Inequality: Issues and Policy Options*, Proceedings of a Symposium Sponsored by the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City, Jackson Hole, Wyoming, 1998, pp. 221-263.

## **FORTHCOMING**

“Distributional Effects of the 2001 and 2003 Tax Cuts: How do Financing and Economic Growth Matter?” with Douglas Elmendorf, William Gale and Benjamin Harris.

“Progressive Tax Reform in the Era of Globalization: Building Consensus for More Broadly Shared Prosperity,” with Jason Bordoff.

“Social Security Policy in a Changing Environment,” Edited by Jeffrey R. Brown, Jeffrey Liebman and David Wise, *Comment on Geanakoplos and Zeldes*, pps 189-201.

## **CONGRESSIONAL TESTIMONY**

“The Concept of Neutrality in Tax Policy,” Testimony before the Senate Finance Committee, April 15, 2008.

“Options for Fiscal Stimulus,” Testimony before the Senate Finance Committee, January 24, 2008.

“The Effect of the 2001-06 Tax Cuts on After Tax Income,” Testimony before the U.S. House Committee on Ways and Means, September 6, 2007.

“Options to Close the Long-run Fiscal Gap,” Testimony before the Senate Budget Committee, January 31, 2007.

“Trends in Retirement Security,” Testimony Before the U.S. House Committee on Ways and Means, January 31, 2007.

“Increasing Transparency and Accountability for Tax Expenditures,” Testimony before the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, and International Security, September 26, 2006.

“Testimony on ‘Banking on Retirement Security,’” Testimony Before the Financial Services Subcommittee of the U.S. House Committee on Financial Services, June 23, 2005.

“Prefunding Social Security and the Role of Individual Accounts,” Testimony before the Social Security Subcommittee of the U.S. House Committee on Ways & Means, June 21, 2005.

“The Financial Cost of Individual Accounts,” Testimony before the Subcommittee on Securities and Investment of the U.S. Senate Committee on Banking, Housing and Urban Affairs, June 14, 2005.

“Evaluating Alternative Social Security Reforms,” Testimony before the Full Committee of the House Committee on Ways & Means, May 12, 2005.

## **ARTICLES AND OP-EDS**

“Time to Get it Right: Shape Financial System Rules for the Long Haul,” *The Des Moines Register*, April 6, 2008.

“Fully Account for the Budget, Stick to the Budget, and Work with the Other Party,” *Slate*, April 4, 2008.

“It’s the Stupid Economy,” *The Los Angeles Times Online Dust Up*, February 2008.

“Three Keys to Effective Fiscal Stimulus,” with Douglas Elmendorf, *The Washington Post*, January 26, 2008.

“Recession? Not if Exports Save Us,” *The New York Times*, December 16, 2007.

“Reward and Facilitate Work,” *The McClatchy Tribune*, December 15, 2008.

“Corporate Taxes, In Need of Reform,” *The Washington Post*, October 27, 2007.