Curriculum Vitae
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Current Positions

2013–	Policy Director, Hamilton Project
2013–	Deputy Director, Retirement Security Project
2013–	Fellow, Economic Studies Program

Prior Employment

2013	Senior Research Associate, Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center
2011–2013	Senior Economist, Council of Economic Advisers
2011	Economist, Council of Economic Advisers
2011	Research Economist, Brookings Institution
2011	Adjunct Faculty, University of Maryland School of Public Policy
2010–2011	Adjunct Faculty, Georgetown University Public Policy Institute
2007–2011	Senior Affiliated Staff, Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center
2007–2011	Senior Research Associate, Brookings Institution
2010	Economics Instructor, Harvard University Kennedy School of Government
2009	Economic Advisor to Penny Pritzker, Member of President's Economic Recovery Advisory Board
2006	Senior Economist, Committee on the Budget, U.S. House of Representatives
2005	Economist, Committee on the Budget, U.S. House of Representatives
2005	Summer Associate, RAND Corporation
2000–2001	Visiting Researcher, Namibian Economic Policy Research Unit

Education

2010–2011	Ph.D., Economics, George Washington University
2007–2010	M. Phil., Economics, George Washington University
2003–2005	M.A., Economics, Cornell University
2002–2003	M.A., Quantitative Methods in the Social Sciences, Columbia University

2000–2001 U.S. Fulbright Scholarship to Namibia
1995–1999 B.A., Economics, Tufts University

Memberships

American Economic Association
National Tax Association

Advisory Positions

Technical Working Group on Long-Term Care Financing; U. S. Department of Health and Human Services
Debates on U.S. Health Care, Economic and Fiscal Debates; SAGE Publications
Microsimulation Technical Working Group; Brookings Institution Center on Children and Families

Book Chapters and Journal Articles

"Developing and Disseminating Financial Guidelines for Retirement Planning." 2013. *Journal of Retirement* 1(2): 113–124. (With William G. Gale.)

"Reforming Taxes and Raising Revenues: Part of the Fiscal Solution." 2011. *Oxford Review of Economic Policy* 27(4): 563-588. (With William G. Gale.)

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“Tax Credits for Electric Cars: Stimulating Demand through the Tax Code.” 2009. In *Plug-In Vehicles: What Role for Washington?,* edited by David Sandalow. Washington D.C: Brookings Institution Press.

“Health and Functional Status.” 2009. In *Counting Working-Age People with Disabilities*, edited by Andrew J. Houtenville, David C. Stapleton, Robert R. Weathers II, and Richard V. Burkhauser. Kalamazoo, Michigan: W.E. Upjohn Institute for Employment Research. (With Gerry E. Hendershot and David C. Stapleton.)

“Distributional Effects of the 2001 and 2003 Tax Cuts: How Do Financing and Behavioral Responses Matter?” 2008. *National Tax Journal* 61(3): 365-80. (With Douglas W. Elmendorf, Jason Furman, and William G. Gale.)

“Our Uncertain Demographic Future.” 2004. In *Coping with Methuselah: the Impact of Molecular Biology on Medicine*, edited by Henry J. Aaron and William B. Schwartz. Washington, D.C: Brookings Institution Press. (With Henry J. Aaron.)

“Uncertainty and Pension Policy.” 2002. In *The Report of Collaboration Projects on Studying Economic and Social Systems in the 21st Century,* edited by Toshiaki Tachibanaki. Japan: Economic and Social Research Institute. (With Henry J. Aaron.)

“The Individual AMT: Problems and Potential Solutions.” 2002. *National Tax Journal* 55(3): 555-596. (With Leonard E. Burman, William G. Gale, and Jeffrey Rohaly.)

Other Publications

“New Perspectives on Homeownership Tax Incentives.” Forthcoming. *Tax Notes.*(With C. Eugene Steuerle and Amanda Eng.)

“The Benefits of Mortgage Interest and Property Tax Deductions.” 2013. *Tax Notes* 140(9): 947. (With Amanda Eng.)

“State Economic Monitor: Quarterly Appraisal of State Economic Conditions.” 2013. Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center. (With Yuri Shadunsky.)

“Tax Reform, Transaction Costs, and Metropolitan Housing in the United States.” 2013. Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center.

“Analysis of Specific Tax Provisions in President Obama's FY2014 Budget.” 2013. Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center. (With Jim Nunns, Kim Rueben, Eric Toder, and Roberton Williams.)

"State and Local Governments in Economic Recoveries: This Recovery is Different." 2013. Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center. (With Yuri Shadunsky.)

"Creating an American Value-Added Tax." 2013. Hamilton Project, Brookings Institution. (With William G. Gale.)

"Estate Taxes After ATRA." 2013. *Tax Notes* 138(8): 1005.

"Today's Unsustainable Budget Policy: A Recount." 2013. Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center. (With C. Eugene Steuerle and Caleb Quackenbush.)

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"Who Itemizes Deductions?" 2011. *Tax Notes* 130(3): 345. (With Daniel Baneman.)

"Tax Proposals in the 2012 Budget." 2011. Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center. (With Elaine Maag, Donald Marron, Jim Nunns, Joseph Rosenberg, Kim Rueben, Eric Toder, and Roberton Williams.)

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"Tax Stimulus Report Card Conference Bill." 2009. Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center. (With Rosanne Althsuler, Leonard Burman, Howard Gleckman, Dan Halperin, Elaine Maag, Kim Rueben, Eric Toder, and Roberton Williams.)

"Corporate Tax Incidence and Its Implications for Progressivity." 2009. Urban-Brookings Tax Policy Center Working Paper. November.

"Automatic Enrollment in Individual Retirement Accounts: Revenue and Distributional Estimates." 2009. *Tax Notes* 124(9): 903-914. (With Rachel M. Johnson.)

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