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Education

Ph.D., Economics, University of Wisconsin – Madison, 2000.
Dissertation: *School Finance Reform and the Market for Teachers*
Fields of Concentration: Applied Microeconomics (Public and Labor Economics),
Economics of Education
M.S., Economics, University of Wisconsin – Madison, 1997.
B.A., Economics, cum laude, Pomona College in Claremont, CA, 1993.

Employment

Associate Professor, San Diego State University, 2006 – present
Assistant Professor, San Diego State University, 2000 – 2006
Lecturer, University of Wisconsin – Madison, 1998-99

Additional Professional Experience

Consultant, Picus and Associates (Washington, Wisconsin) 2006
Expert Witness, *Miami Dade vs. King et al*, (Florida) 2005
Expert Witness, *West Orange Cove et al vs. Nelson et al*, (Texas) 2004
Consultant, Texas Association of School Administrators, 2004.
Consultant, Illinois State Board of Education, 1999-2000.

Publications

“Assessing the Costs of K-12 Education in California Public Schools,” *Getting Down To Facts*, Institute for Research on Education Policy and Practice.
“Tiebout Choice and the Voucher,” with Eric Brunner, *The Journal of Urban Economics*, forthcoming.
“Does No Child Left Behind Place a Fiscal Burden on States? Evidence from Texas” (with Andrew Reschovsky), *Education Finance and Policy* 1 (2006).
“Fiscal Stress and Voluntary Contributions to Public Schools” (with Eric Brunner), *Developments in School Finance* (2005), National Center for Education Statistics.

- “Assessing the Use of Econometric Analysis in Estimating the Costs of Meeting State Education Accountability Standards: Lessons from Texas” (with Andrew Reschovsky), *Peabody Journal of Education* 80 (2005), 96-125.
- “Teacher Salaries and Teacher Attrition,” *Economics of Education Review* 24 (2005), 431-449.
- “Is *No Child Left Behind* an Un(or under)funded Federal Mandate? Evidence from Texas” (with Andrew Reschovsky), *National Tax Journal* 57 (2004), 571-588.
- “School Finance Reform in Texas: A Never Ending Story?” (with Andrew Reschovsky), *Helping Children Left Behind: State Aid and the Pursuit of Educational Equity*, John Yinger, ed., MIT Press (2004), 251-281.
- “Financing Adequate Education in Rural Settings” (with Andrew Reschovsky), *Journal of Education Finance* 29 (Summer 2004), 137-156.
- “Let No Child Be Left Behind: Determining the Cost of Improving Student Performance” (with Andrew Reschovsky), *Public Finance Review* 31 (May 2003), 263-290.
- “Class-Size Reduction and Teacher Quality: Evidence from California,” *School Finance and Teacher Quality: Exploring the Connections*, David Monk and Margaret Plecki, eds. (2003), 159-178.
- “Teacher Attrition and Mobility in Urban Districts: Evidence from Wisconsin,” *Fiscal Issues in Urban Schools; Research in Education: Fiscal Policy and Practice, Volume 1*, Jennifer King Rice and Christopher Roelke, eds. Information Age Publishing Inc.: Greenwich, CT (2002), 119-136.
- “Achieving Educational Adequacy through School Finance Reform” (with Andrew Reschovsky), *Journal of Education Finance* 26 (Spring 2001), 373-396.
- “Achieving Educational Adequacy Through School Finance Reform” (with Andrew Reschovsky), Consortium for Policy Research in Education Research Report Series RR-045 (October 2000).
- “Measuring the Cost of Providing an Adequate Education in Texas” (with Andrew Reschovsky), *Proceedings of the 91st Annual Conference on Taxation*, National Tax Association (1998).
- “The Development of School Aid Formulas to Guarantee Adequacy” (with Andrew Reschovsky), in *Developments in School Finance 1997*, National Center for Education Statistics, 121-148.

Working Papers

- “The Distribution of Teacher Quality Across Schools,” October 2006.
- “Racial Segregation and School Vouchers,” with Eric Brunner and Stephen Ross, May 2006, submitted to *Review of Economics and Statistics*.
- “School Revenue Limits: Evidence from Wisconsin,” November 2001.
- “Educational Cost Functions and Cost Indices: From Theory into Policy,” August 2000.

Research Grants

- “Assessing the Costs of K-12 Education in California Public Schools,” sub-contract of Efficiency and Adequacy of California Public School Finance, 2005.
- “Tiebout Choice and the Voucher,” Research, Scholarship and Creativity grant (SDSU), 2004-2005.
- “School Revenue Limits and Teacher Salaries,” Spencer Foundation Small Grant Program, 2002.
- “Voluntary Contributions and Public Schools,” Faculty Development Program grant (SDSU), 2002-2003.
- “Is Smaller Really Better? The Unintended Consequences of Class-Size Reduction in California,” Research, Scholarship and Creativity grant (SDSU), 2000-2001.
- “Financing Quality Education for All Children,” Faculty Development Program grant (SDSU), 2000-2001.

Conferences and Presentations

- “Racial Segregation and School Vouchers,” American Education Finance Association Annual Conference, March 23-25, 2006, Denver, CO.
- “Tiebout Choice and the Voucher,” Southern California Applied Micro Mini-Conference, April 29, 2005, Los Angeles, CA.
- “Fiscal Stress and Voluntary Contributions to Public Schools,” National Center for Education Statistics Summer Data Conference, July 28-30, 2004, Washington, D.C.
- “Private Contributions and Public School Resources,” American Education Finance Association Annual Conference, March 11-13, 2004, Salt Lake City, UT.
- Symposium: Striking the ‘Right’ Balance between District and Student Needs in Cost Adjustments to State Aid: Findings from Research and Implications for Policy, American Education Finance Association Annual Conference, March 11-13, 2004, Salt Lake City, UT.
- “Private Contributions and Public School Resources,” Southern Economic Association Annual Conference, November 20-22, 2003, San Antonio, TX.
- “Financing Adequate Education in Rural Settings,” American Education Finance Association Annual Conference, March 27-29, 2003, Orlando, FL.
- “School Finance Reform in Texas: A Never-Ending Story?” Center for Policy Research Conference on State Aid to Education, April 5-6, 2002, Syracuse, NY.
- “School Revenue Limits: Evidence from Wisconsin,” National Tax Association 94th Annual Conference, November 8-10, 2001, Baltimore, MD.
- “School Finance Reform and the Market for Teachers,” American Education Finance Association Annual Conference, March 22-24, 2001, Cincinnati, OH.
- “The Development of School Aid Formulas to Guarantee Adequacy,” Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago Conference on Education Reform, June 14-15, 1999, Chicago, IL.

“Does the School Finance System in Texas Provide Students with an Adequate Education?”
National Tax Association 91st Annual Conference, November 8-10, 1998, Austin, TX;
and the American Education Finance Association Annual Conference, March 18-20,
1999, Seattle, WA.

Honors and Awards

American Education Finance Association's Jean M. Flanigan Outstanding Dissertation Award, 2001.

Spencer Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, 1999-2000.

Distinguished Teaching Assistant, Department of Economics, 1997.

Wisconsin Alumni Research Foundation Graduate Fellowship, 1995-1996.

National Science Foundation Graduate Research Honorable Mention, 1995-1996.

Professional Affiliations and Service

American Economic Association: Member, 1997-present.

Committee on the Status of Women in the Economics Profession: Member, 1997-present.

American Education Finance Association: Member, 1998-present.

American Education Finance Association, Board of Directors: 2005-present.

Referee, *Journal of Human Resources*, *Economics of Education Review*, *Educational Evaluation and Policy Analysis*, *Education Finance and Policy*.