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## Education

New School for Social Research, New York, New York Graduate Economics and Historical Studies September 2006 – Current 3.71 Grade Point Average

Coursework through Spring 2008: Graduate microeconomics, graduate macroeconomics, historical foundations of political economy, mathematics for economists, advanced mathematical economics, advanced microeconomics, boundaries and openness in contemporary societies, historical methods, computer modeling workshop and economic methodology.

Associate Editor: New School Economic Review.

Tutor in economics and finance to graduate and undergraduate students.

Participant in New School for Social Research interdisciplinary program, Krakow,

Poland 2007; philosophy of history and political science seminars.

Participant in New School - University of Massachusetts (Amherst) graduate economics

workshop 2007.

Participant and discussant, Allied Social Science Associations conference 2008.

George Mason University, Fairfax, VA 2005 - 2006

4.0 Grade Point Average, Runner-up in 2006 Vernon Smith Award Essay Contest

Coursework: probability and statistics, microeconomics and macroeconomics.

Public Choice Economics Conference July 2006

University of the District of Columbia (UDC), Washington, DC

2005 - 2006

Coursework: trigonometry and calculus.

4.0 Grade Point Average, Tutored fellow students in calculus

University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM

Master of Business Administration (MBA), Policy and Planning (Honors), 1992

3.89 Grade Point Average, Graduate Student Association: Treasurer and Speakers Bureau

Coursework: business economics, financial management, operations research, statistics, the political and social environment of business, independent research on government accountability, marketing, intermediate and advanced accounting.

Fellowship, MBA Program, 1991 Georgetown University, Washington, DC Coursework: business and politics.

Bachelor in the Science of Management (B.S.M.), Finance, 1983 Tulane University, New Orleans, LA Coursework: finance, accounting, marketing, economics.

#### **Publications**

- (2007), Economics for Everyone (book), Unlimited Publishing, LLC (Bloomington, IN).
- (2007), "Questioning Development Orthodox", New School Economic Review.
- (2006), "Book Review. Vienna & Chicago: Friends or Foes, A Tale of Two Schools of Free-Market Economics by Mark Skousen", American Economist.
- (2002), "Getting It Right the First Time; Accounting, Auditing and Financial Systems in the U.S. Government" *Journal of Government Financial Management*, Summer.
- (2001), "Book Review. In Defense of Free Capital Markets: The Case Against a New International Financial Architecture, by David DeRosa", Public Budgeting and Finance, Fall.
- (2001), "Outsourcing and Financial Systems Integration in the Federal Government", *Journal of Government Financial Management*, Spring.
- (1997), "Financial Management in Cross-Disciplinary Teams", *Public Budgeting and Finance*, Summer.
- (1992), "Harmonization of International Accounting Standards", *National Public Accountant*, October.
- (1992), "The Value-Added Tax and United States Competitiveness", Masters Thesis, University of New Mexico (Albuquerque, NM).

### Grants, Scholarships, Fellowships, Awards

- New School for Social Research: partial scholarship, 2006 to present; student travel grant, 2008
- International Confederation of Associations for Pluralism in Economics (ICAPE), conference grant, 2007
- Institute for Humane Studies; conference grant, 2007
- Summer Institute for Preservation of the History of Economic Thought; conference grant, 2007
- George Mason University Public Choice Center, conference grant, 2006
- George Mason University; Vernon Smith writing award, 2006

# Teaching, Scholarly Presentations, Public Speaking

- Tutor in mathematics and economics, University of the District of Columbia, Washington, DC and New School for Social Research, New York, 2004 to present.
- Presentation of paper "Questioning Development Orthodoxy," Allied Social Science Associations (ASSA) meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 2008.
- Presiding panel member, Heterodox Development Economics, Allied Social Science Associations (ASSA) meeting, New Orleans, LA, January 2008.
- Presentation, "Austrian School Capital and Business Cycle Theories and Implications for Agent-based Modeling," New School for Social Research Seminar on Economic Theory and Modeling, New York, December 2007.
- Presentation of paper "Analogical model and some mathematical formalization on the Austrian School theory of the business cycle," New School UMass (Amherst) Workshop, New York, November 2007.
- Presentation of paper "A General Theory on the Hierarchy of Political and Economic Orders," 2<sup>nd</sup> International Symposium on Economic Theory, Policy and Applications, Athens, Greece, August 2007.
- Presentation of paper "Questioning Development Orthodoxy," International Consortium of Associations for Pluralism in Economics, Salt Lake City, Utah, June 2007.
- Presentation of paper "A General Theory on the Hierarchy of Political and Economic Orders," University of the District of Columbia political science department, May 2006.
- Presentation of "Budgeting by Objectives," US Department of Homeland Security financial policy staff, Washington, DC, June 2005.
- Presentation of travel policy directives to US Department of State financial officers conference, New Delhi (India), May 2004.
- Presentation of intragovernmental accounting policies, US Military comptrollers conference (Charleston, SC) and Department of State budget officers conferences (Washington, DC), January to May 2004.
- Presentation of the US Agency for International Development (USAID) Development Credit Authority credit guarantee, risk assessment and economic policies and procedures to international banking community and economic development officials, Dakar (Senegal), Almaty (Kazakhstan), Bamako (Mali), Guatemala City (Guatemala), Seattle (Washington) and Washington, DC, 1999-2002.
- Presentation of "Credit Reform: Outsourcing of Loans" to Association of Government Accountants Conference, Washington, DC, November 2000.
- Guest Lecturer, Kazakhstan Institute of Management and Economic Research, Political economy of government accountability in the United States, Almaty, Kazakhstan, February 1997.
- Presentation on US Government financial management policies, Association for African Supreme Audit Institutions, Dakar, Senegal, July 1996.

#### Professional Experience

Savantage Financial Services, Inc.

## Washington, DC

Senior Financial Consultant to Department of Homeland Security, 2004-2005

- Provided support for Department's use of proprietary financial management system, especially analysis and advice relating to financial reporting, audit issues, migration and consolidation of accounting systems and improvement of business processes.
- Advised Department on how to account for intradepartmental transactions of more than \$500 million and to budget and report by objectives.
- Advised Department and outside contractor on how to manipulate transactional database to search for and alleviate erroneous payments.
- Coordinated team of one Certified Public Accountant (CPA) and two computer programmers/database experts, and managed relationship between government client and consulting firm home office.

## United States Department of State

### Washington, DC

Chief of Financial Oversight and Coordination (Civil Service position), 2002-2004

- Assisted in strategic planning and financial oversight function for Department of State's 400 person worldwide accounting operations.
- Wrote policies and procedures to improve efficiency and timeliness of obligation, payment, intragovernmental transactions, receivables, reconciliation and reporting and to respond to audit recommendations.
- Responsible for Prompt Payment, Anti-Deficiency and Improper Payment Act programs.
- Introduced data-mining software to the Department for analysis of three million transactions per year.
- Provided quality assurance and risk reduction during e-government, outsourcing and consolidated back-office initiatives for Department of State's financial management operations.
- Introduced program for reporting financial management performance measures as agreed-upon by the Chief Financial Officers' Council of the Federal Government and the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).
- Led team of three government accountants, two government financial analysts, two contractor analysts and one Foreign Service Officer.

United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Washington, DC

Credit Program Controller (Civil Service), 1997-2002

- Wrote and implemented policies on risk assessment and management of sovereign and non-sovereign loan and loan guarantee contracts for start-up of new program and improved management of existing assets.
- Negotiated with OMB to satisfy Congressional demands for improved management of USAID's credit assets.

- Traveled to Guatemala, India, Kazakhstan, Senegal and Mali to conduct economic analysis and negotiate loan guarantees with private banks and conduct bank risk assessments.
- Ensured budget compliance with OMB policy for 12 loan program accounts totaling \$20 billion in assets. Justified financing requests based on economic analyses of international debt markets.
- Wrote policy paper for privatizing Foreign Exchange process and designed Internet-based reporting tool for use by 45 financial institutions and 60 USAID offices worldwide.
- Managed \$100 million annual fund for claims payments, monitoring budget execution and expenditures in relation to plans, and ensuring optimal cash flow.
- Worked with auditors and responded to Inspector General audit recommendations.

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Almaty, Kazakhstan

Financial Management Officer (Foreign Service), Deputy Controller for USAID/Central Asian Republics, 1996-1997

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- Started-up first USAID Financial Analysis section in ex-Soviet Union to give advice on international accounting and auditing standards, methods of payments and contracts, grants and cooperative agreement structuring, internal control systems and operational cost accounting.
- Was member of Market Transition team involved in conversion of socialist economic system to market-based system, including financial analysis assistance to accounting reform, trade liberalization, pension reform, energy sector and housing sector reform projects.
- Performed management analysis and wrote procedures leading to installation of funds management and performance budgeting system for five regional offices.
- Conducted management assessments for offices in Almaty (Kazakhstan), Tashkent (Uzbekistan) and Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan).

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

Dakar, Senegal

Financial Management Officer (Foreign Service), Deputy Controller for USAID/Senegal, 1994-1996

- Was Certifying Officer releasing funds from the U.S. Treasury, supervised the accounting, budgeting, payroll, accounts payable and receivable, computer systems and financial analysis staffs for regional budget of \$40 million (14 staff).
- Assisted in financial analysis of privatization project for largest manufacturing entity in Senegal and conducted evaluation of 5-year water and rice-growing project in southern Casamance region.

United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

## Washington, DC

Financial Policy Analyst and Accounting Specialist (Civil Service), 1990-1994

- Wrote plan and worked with OMB to gain USAID compliance to OMB Circular A-129 for management of Agency credit programs and other accounts receivable.
- Managed pilot Free Market Development Advisors Program, with MBA student advisors in 20 businesses in 10 emerging market countries. Advised on case studies published as part of project. Conducted project evaluation and presented findings, included site visits to The Gambia, Mali, The Philippines and Nepal.
- Wrote Agency cash reconciliation policy and procedures for clearing outstanding balances with U.S. Treasury for 65 overseas offices and headquarters.
- Wrote and gained approval of Agency report to Congress and the White House on the status of Agency internal control and financial management systems under the Federal Managers Financial Integrity Act (FMFIA).

University of New Mexico, Bureau for Business and Economic Research Albuquerque, NM Systems Analyst, 1989-1990

- Wrote systems plan to adopt U.S. Census results into University database
- Designed and created database to track discoveries, inventions and patents for the National Laboratories.
- Helped to create Internet site containing information on the legal and regulatory environment for locating businesses in the state of New Mexico.

Williams-Sonoma, Inc. San Francisco, CA Internal Auditor, 1988-1989

- Audited reporting of 12 retail units throughout the U.S., including transaction, account, and budget analysis and the design and generation of cash, inventory and receivables reports for management.
- Managed electronic funds transfer program to correct credit card transactions.

Redwood Oil Company, Inc. Santa Rosa, CA Retail Supervisor, 1984-1988

- Responsible for operations at five retail units and supervised 23 employees, including cash management, budgetary and profit analysis, inventory and pricing analysis.
- Implemented on-line financial management system for contract with State of California for fuel distribution in 13 locations.

#### Associations

Academy of Political Science
American Economic Association
American Association for Budget and Program Analyses
Association of Government Accountants; Certified Government Financial Manager (CGFM),
Editorial Board of *Journal of Government Financial Management*Union of Radical Political Economy

# Languages

English, native French, well Russian, basic