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### **Appointments and Leaves:**

Associate Professor, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, 0.5 FTE, 2011-present  
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, 0.5 FTE, 2003–2011  
Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, 2001-2003  
Maternity Leaves: August 2002-July 2003 and September 2005-August 2006

### **Education:**

Ph.D. (Economics)	University of British Columbia, 2001
M.A. (Economics)	University of British Columbia, 1996
B.A. (Economics)	University of Alberta, 1995

### **Research Areas:**

Environmental Economics, Law and Economics, Regulatory Economics, Economics of Education

### **Teaching Fields:**

Microeconomic theory, environmental economics, natural resource economics

### **Publications:**

#### ***Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles***

“Regional Patterns in Gasoline Station Rationalization” with Andrew Eckert, *Journal of Industry, Competition, and Trade*, 2014, 4(1): 99-122.

“The Geographic Distribution of Environmental Inspections” with Andrew Eckert, *Journal of Regulatory Economics*, 2010, 37:1-22.

“Public Complaints and Alberta’s Environmental Regulation” *B.E. Journals in Economic Analysis and Policy: Topics in Economic Analysis and Policy*, 2006, 6 (1): 1-23.

“Inspections, Warnings and Compliance: The Case of Petroleum Storage Regulation” *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, 2004, 47 (2): 232-259.

“Negotiating Environmental Agreements: Regional or Federal Authority?” *Journal of Environmental Economics and Management*, 2003, 46 (1): 1-24.

### **Book Reviews**

Review of *Policy Instruments for Environmental and Natural Resource Management* (Thomas Sterner, author), *Energy Studies Review*, 2003, 12: 118-121.

### **Work in Progress**

“Creative Sentences in Alberta: 1992-2012”

“The Economics of Being Creative: Environmental Crime and Creative Sentences in Alberta”

“Horizontal Differentiation and School Choice in Alberta” with Xuejuan Su

### **Research Grants:**

University of Alberta SSHRC 4A Grant, 2002-2003, “The Enforcement of Environmental Regulations in Alberta”

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada Standard Research Grant, 2003 – 2009 “The Enforcement of Environmental Regulations in Alberta”, \$30328.

Support for the Advancement of Scholarship (SAS) Grant, 2011, “Causes and Consequences of the Evolution of the Canadian Retail Gasoline Industry”, with Andrew Eckert, \$4,500.

### **Conference Presentations and Seminars:**

Canadian Resource and Environmental Economics Study Group, Guelph, ON, 2010.  
Faculty and Student Research Workshop, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, 2010.

International Industrial Organization Conference, Vancouver, BC, 2010.

Canadian Law and Economics Association meetings, Toronto, ON, 2008

42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting of the Canadian Economics Association, Vancouver, BC, 2008.

Centre for Applied Business Research in Energy and the Environment/Alberta Environment Workshop, Edmonton, AB, 2005.

39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Canadian Economics Association, Hamilton, ON, 2005.

Faculty and Student Research Workshop, Department of Economics, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB, 2004.

38<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Canadian Economics Association, Toronto, ON, 2004.  
Guest lecture, Earth and Atmospheric Sciences 493, University of Alberta, 2002  
36th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Economics Association, Calgary, AB, 2002.  
Canadian Resource and Environmental Economics Study Group, St. Catherines, ON, 2001.

**Refereeing Activities:**

*Berkeley Economic Press, Cambridge Review of International Affairs, Canadian Journal of Economics, Canadian Public Policy, Contemporary Economic Policy, Environmental and Resource Economics, International Review of Law and Economics, Journal of Economics and Management Strategy, Journal of Environmental Economics and Management, Journal of Regulatory Economics, Land Economics*, the University of Leuven Research Council, and the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council.

**Teaching:**

***Undergraduate***

Economics 281, Intermediate Microeconomic Theory I  
Economics 365, Natural Resource Economics  
Economics 379, Criminal Law and Economic Incentives  
Economics 384, Intermediate Microeconomic Theory II  
Economics 467, Environmental and Natural Resource Policy  
Economics 481, Advanced Microeconomic Theory  
IntD 225, Environmental Economics

***Graduate***

Economics 503, Graduate Microeconomic Theory I

**Student Supervision:**

Supervisor, Economics 400 Honours Essay: Julia Lisztwan (2007), Alan Cliff (2008)  
Supervisor, Economics 900 project: Matthew Rossiter (2010), John Turvey (2011)  
Co-supervisor, Economics 900 project: Sean McElwain (2011)  
Committee member, PhD thesis: Samuel Gamtessa (2011), Hanxiao Li (2015)  
External Examiner, Masters of Laws thesis: Olumide Adeleke Adetunji (2004)  
Second Reader, Economics 999 project: Mohammad Ahsan (2014), Yujia Sun (2013),  
                    Lourdes Mendoza Heredia (2013), Ruchith Dissanayake (2012), Shihui Li (2012), Fahim  
                    Hassan (2011), Glenn Schatz (2011)

**Professional Affiliations:**

Association of Environmental and Resource Economists

## **Administrative Activities:**

### ***University:***

Member, Hiring Committee, Faculté St. Jean, 2013, 2015.

Member, University Scholarship Selection Committee (Scholastic and Leadership), 2013-2014, 2014-2015.

Member, University of Alberta Land Use Planning Advisory Committee, Faculty of Extension, Sept. 2007 – July 2009.

### ***Faculty Level:***

Member, B.A. Curriculum Review Steering Committee, Oct. 2013-present.

Arts Representative, School of Business Council, Sept. 2007-July 2011.

### ***Department Level:***

Member, Microeconomics PhD Core Exam Committee, 2002, 2004, 2005, 2007-present

Member, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2013-present

Member, Graduate Appeals Committee, 2013-present.

Member, Adjudication Committee, Henry George Graduate Prize in Economics, 2014.

Member, ad-hoc Course Caps Committee, 2013-2014.

Member, Department Scholarships and Awards Committee, 2010-2013

Member, Department Newsletter Committee, 2008-2010.

Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, 2008

Member, Tier I CRC Search Committee, 2007-2008.

Member, Undergraduate Teaching Committee, 2005-2007

## **Honors and fellowships**

SSHRC Graduate Scholarship, University of British Columbia. 1998-2001

Killam Predoctoral Scholarship, University of British Columbia, 1998-2000

Duncan Alexander MacGibbon Medal in Economics, University of Alberta, 1995