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M.Sc. (Economic History) London School of Economics and Political Science,  
University of London, October 1983.  
A.B. (Economics) Harvard College, Magna Cum Laude, June 1982.

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Current Positions and Affiliations:

Professor of Economics, Wesleyan University, 2001-present.  
Chair, Department of Economics, Wesleyan University, 2018- present.  
Visiting Scholar, Institute for Quantitative Social Sciences, Harvard University, 2003-present.  
Research Fellow, Centre for Economic Policy Research, London, 2015-present.  
Research Network Fellow, CESifo, Munich, 2014-present.  
International Advisory Board, Queen's University Centre for Economic History, Belfast, 2016-present.

Previous Positions:

Chair, Department of Economics, Wesleyan University, 2006-2009.  
Associate, Weatherhead Center for International Affairs, Harvard University, 1999-2003.  
Associate Professor of Economics, Wesleyan University, 1996-2001.  
Visiting Scholar, Department of Economics, Harvard University, 1997-1999.  
Assistant Professor of Economics, Wesleyan University, 1990-1996.  
Visiting Professor, Hebrew University of Jerusalem, spring 1994.  
Visiting Assistant Professor of Economics, Yale University, autumn 1993.  
Visiting International Economist, Planning and Economic Analysis Staff, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, US Department of State, Washington, DC, September 1988-August 1990.

Awards:

John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation Fellow, 2013-14.  
Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Grant (SES 0418352, \$59,957), "The Economics and Politics of Banking Regulation in the Industrialized World, 1850-2000: A Pilot Study on Germany," 2004-2007.  
German Marshall Fund of the United States Research Fellowship, 1993-94, 2005-06.  
Principal Investigator, National Science Foundation Grant (SBR 9408619, \$265,000), "The Pre-World War I Stock Market and British Industrial Decline," with Brad DeLong, 1995-99.  
Outstanding Paper in International Finance, with Asher Blass, 1995 Southern Finance Association Meetings.  
Maurice Falk Institute for Economic Research in Israel Research Grant, "The Israeli Bank Shares Crisis of 1983," with Asher Blass, 1994.  
Carol A. Baker '81 Memorial Prize for Junior Faculty Teaching and Research, 1992-93.  
Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Dissertation Fellowship, 1987-88.

Publications:

Books:

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“Japan’s Return to Gold: Turning Points in the Value of the Yen during the 1920s” (with Masami Imai), *Explorations in Economic History* **46**(3), July 2009, pp. 314-323.

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Editorial Board, *Explorations in Economic History*, 2003-2011.

Editorial Board, *Journal of Economic History*, 2001-2004.

Expert Witness Report and Trial Testimony, *Cayuga Indian Nation of New York, et al, versus The State of New York* (80-CV-930, 80-CV-960) in the United States District Court, Northern District of New York, June-August, 2000.

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