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### **PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE**

Santa Clara University, Department of Economics  
Teaching Professor, 2024 -present  
Senior Lecturer, 2021-2024  
Lecturer, 2008- 2021

Purdue University, Department of Economics:  
Instructor for *Principles of Economics*, Summer 2005  
Teaching and Research Assistant, 2002-2007

Courses taught:

*Undergraduate Upper-Division:*

International Trade; Intermediate Microeconomics I

*Undergraduate Lower-Division:*

Data Analysis and Econometrics; International Economics, Growth, and Development;  
Principles of Microeconomics

Faculty Coordinator for Global Experience-Understanding the Eurozone, Germany, June 2013

*Graduate:* Econometrics with R (in-person and online)

### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D. in Economics, Purdue University, 2007  
M.S. in Economics, Purdue University, 2004  
B.S. in Finance, University of the West, Timisoara, Romania, 2001

### **RESEARCH INTERESTS**

Empirical International Trade, Applied Econometrics

### **PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS**

“Growth Volatility and Trade: Market Diversification vs. Production Specialization”, Journal of Economic Behavior and Organization, 225, September 2024 (with Miguel Leon-Ledesma and Laura Puzzello)

“It Pays to be big: Price discrimination in maritime shipping”, *European Economic Review* 153, April 2023. (with Volodymyr Lugovskyy)

“Tariffs, product quality, and the relative prices of durables: Evidence from 1989 to 2009 U.S. microdata”, *European Economic Review*, Volume 114, May 2019, pages 54-75. (with Volodymyr Lugovskyy)

“Electoral Systems and Protectionism: An Industry-Level Analysis”, *Canadian Journal of Economics*, Volume 46(2), May 2013, (with Carolyn L. Evans)

“Domestic Productivity and Variety Gains from Trade”, *Journal of International Economics* 80(2), March 2010, (with Volodymyr Lugovskyy)

## **POLICY PAPERS AND BOOK CHAPTERS**

"Fathoming Shipping Costs: An Exploration of Recent Literature, Data, and Patterns", *Policy Research Working Paper 9992*. World Bank, Washington, 2022, (joint with Volodymyr Lugovskyy, Alexandre Skiba, and David Turner).

“Trade Infrastructure and Trade Costs: A Study of Select Asian Ports”, Infrastructure’s Role In Lowering Asia’s Trade Costs. (eds. Brooks and Hummels), Edward Elgar Publishing (2009) (with Jon Haveman and Christopher Thornberg)

## **WORKING PAPERS**

*Under Review:*

“Air Transport and Trade Finance: Implications for Small Exporters” (joint with Kairong Chen, Michael DeDad, and Volodymyr Lugovskyy)

*Work in progress:*

“Breaking and Surviving in New Markets: Relying on Networks”, (joint with Volodymyr Lugovskyy)

## **MEDIA ARTICLES**

“Trump’s tariffs are unfair to most Americans. Here’s how they could actually be beneficial”, *Market Watch*, Jul. 5, 2025 (joint with Ann Skeet)

## **CONFERENCES AND PROFESSIONAL PRESENTATIONS**

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| 2024 | Yellow Pad Seminar – Santa Clara University Department Seminar  |
| 2023 | Annual Scientific Conference of Romanian Academic Economists from Abroad (ERMAS, 9 <sup>th</sup> edition), Bucharest, Romania |
| 2021 | European Trade Study Group, Ghent, Belgium  |

- 2018 Australasian Trade Workshop, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2017 Yellow Pad Seminar – Santa Clara University Department Seminar, Western Economic Association International 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meetings, San Diego
- 2016 Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.,
- 2015 Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans
- 2013 European Trade Study Group, Birmingham, UK
- 2012 Western Economic Association International 87<sup>th</sup> Annual Meetings (San Francisco)
- 2011 Midwest International Trade Meetings (Notre Dame), Yellow Pad Seminar - Santa Clara University
- 2010 University of California – Davis
- 2009 EITI 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, Tokyo
- 2008 Yellow Pad Seminar - Santa Clara University Department Seminar
- 2007 GTAP 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference (West Lafayette), West Virginia University, Oklahoma State University
- 2006 University of Memphis, Midwest International Trade Meetings (West Lafayette), European Trade Study Group (Vienna), Purdue University Macro Seminar
- 2005 Purdue University Micro Seminar

## **AWARDS AND GRANTS**

- Leavey School of Business Double 8 Teaching and Service Excellence Award, 2024
- Lecturer Professional Activity Grant, Santa Clara University, 2016, 2017, 2022
- Leavey Service Award, Leavey School of Business, Santa Clara University, 2013, 2014
- Leavey Grant, Leavey School of Business, Santa Clara University, 2013, 2017
- CIBER Ph.D. Dissertation Award, Purdue University, Spring 2007
- CIBER International Travel Award, Purdue University, 2006
- Krannert Certificate for Distinguished Teaching, Purdue University, 2005
- Awarded if average student evaluation score is greater than 4.4 out of 5*
- Robert W. Johnson Award for Distinguished Research Proposal, Purdue University, 2005
- Awarded to the top Economics dissertation proposal*
- Purdue Research Foundation Dissertation Research Grant, Purdue University
- Academic year 2005-2006*

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

### **Discussant**

- 2024 Economic History Association Annual Meeting, Sacramento
- 2022 EIIT 29<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, San Diego
- 2018 Australasian Trade Workshop, Auckland, New Zealand
- 2017 Western Economic Association International 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meetings, San Diego
- 2016 Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, Washington D.C.
- 2015 Southern Economic Association Annual Meeting, New Orleans
- 2012 Western Economic Association Annual Meetings, San Francisco
- 2010 EIIT 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Chicago
- 2009 EITI 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference, Tokyo, Japan

## **Referee**

Canadian Journal of Economics, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Journal of Economics Integration, Journal of International Trade and Economic Development, Journal of African Studies and Development, Singapore Economic Review, Explorations in Economic History, Economics Letters, International Economics and Economic Policy, Economic Inquiry, Journal of Transport and Policy, Economic Modelling

## **UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENT SERVICE**

Peer Teaching Observation Committee: 2024-Present

Member of the Social Science Faculty Core Committee, 2014-2017, 2024 - present

Advisor for low-GPA Economics students, 2015- present

Advisor for undergraduate students (Economics majors)

Member of the LSB Committee on Promotion to Teaching Professor, 2022-2025

Member of the Economics Department Committee on Promotion to Teaching Professor, 2023-Present

Chair of the Social Science Faculty Core Committee, 2015-2017

Reviewer for Study Abroad Applications, 2014- 2016, 2018, 2023-2025

## **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT**

*Volunteer Delegate* of National Economic Education Delegation (NEED), 2019 – present

- Delivered public lectures on international trade policy and income inequality to non-academic audiences.
- Selected Invited Lectures:
  - o Santa Clara University, Osher Lifelong Learning Institute: “Income and Wealth Inequality: Key Trends and Potential Policy Responses” (2025), “Tariffs: Who Wins, Who Loses, and Why It Matters” (2025), “Contemporary Trade Issues” (2022), “Income Inequality in the United States and Globally “(2019, 2021)
  - o SIR Branch 5: “Tariffs and Their Effects” (2025)
  - o Atria Willow Glen: “Tariffs: Who Wins, Who Loses, and Why It Matters” (2025), “Economic Inequality” (2021)
  - o The Villages Senior Academy: “A View on the Global Economy” (2013, 2016)
  - o Delphian Study Group: “The Global Economy” (2013-2014)

*Board Member*, Los Altos Educational Foundation, 2022-present

- Fundraised and led the design and data analysis of the annual parent survey.

## **AFFILIATIONS**

American Economic Association

## **OTHER**

**Certifications:** ACUE Micro-Credential in Promoting Active Learning Online, Association of College and University Educators, 2020

**Programming languages:** STATA, R/RStudio