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Employment:

Asst. Policy Advisor and Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta	Oct 2015-Present
Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta	April 2013-Sep 2015
Economist, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland	Oct 2012-April 2013
Senior Economic Analyst, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland	Jan 2010-Oct 2012
Economic Analyst, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland	Jul 2007-Jan 2010
Research Assistant, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland	May 2006-Jul 2007
Research Assistantship, Dept. of Econ, BGSU	Fall 2005-Spring 2006
Teaching Assistantship, Dept. of Econ, BGSU	Spring 2005

Education:

M.A.	Bowling Green State University (Economics)	May 2006
B.A.	Hillsdale College (Economics)	May 2002

Working Papers:

“Lessons for Forecasting Unemployment in the U.S.: Use the Flow Rates, Mind the Trend” (with Murat Tacsı) Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, *Working Paper no 2015-1*

“The Inflation Expectations of Firms: What Do They Look Like, Are They Accurate, and Do They Matter?” (with Michael F. Bryan and Nicholas B. Parker) Federal Reserve Bank of Atlanta, *Working Paper no 2014-27*

“It’s Not Just for Inflation: The Usefulness of the Median CPI in BVAR Forecasting” (with Saeed Zaman) Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, *Working Paper no 13-03*

“Trimmed-Mean Inflation Statistics: Just Hit the One in the Middle” (with Guhan Venkatu) Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, *Working Paper no. 12-17*

Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland Publications:

Economic Commentary

“Forecasting Inflation? Target the Middle” (with Guhan Venkatu and Saeed Zaman), *May 2013*

“An Unstable Okun’s Law, Not the Best Rule of Thumb” (with Murat Tasci), *August 2012*

“Do Rising Rents Complicate Inflation Assessment?”, *February 2012*

“Demographic Differences in Inflation Expectations: What Do They Really Mean?” (with Guhan Venkatu), *May 2011*

“Simple Ways to Forecast Inflation: What Works Best?” (with Mehmet Pasaogullari), *December 2011*

“Are Some Prices in the CPI More Forward Looking than Others? We Think So.” (with Michael F Bryan), *February 2010*

“Peak Oil” (with Joseph G. Haubrich), *August 2007*

Annual Report Essays

“How can inflation be considered low when food and gas prices are so high?” (with Mehmet Pasaogullari), *May 2011*

“Is an explicit inflation objective consistent with a dual mandate?” (with Mark E. Schweitzer), *May 2011*

Blog Posts:

Macroblog

“What do U.S. Businesses Know that New Zealand Businesses Don’t? A Lot (Apparently).” (with Mike Bryan and Nick Parker), *September 2015*

“Getting to the Core of Goods and Services Prices”, *July 2015*

“Gauging Inflation Expectations with Surveys (in 3 parts)” (with Mike Bryan and Nick Parker), *January 2015*

“The Shadow Knows (the Fed Funds Rate)” (with Pat Higgins), *November 2013*

“Weighing In on the Recent Discrepancy in the Inflation Statistics” (with Mike Bryan, Pat Higgins, and Nick Parker), *May 2013*

“Should we even read the monthly inflation report? Maybe not. Then again...”(with Mike Bryan), *June 2011*

“The money-inflation connection: It’s baaaack!” (with Dave Altig), *July 2010*

“Sticky-price CPI up slightly in April...Wait, what?” (with Mike Bryan), *May 2010*

“The September CPI with all the trimmings” (with Mike Bryan), *October 2009*

“Yet another cut at the recent retail price data” (with Mike Bryan), *March 2009*

Recent Public Presentations:

Keynote Presentation— "Everything you wanted to know about the outlook, inflation, and your cost of living (but were afraid to ask)." Evening with the Fed, Jacksonville, FL, October 15, 2015

ECONversations: The Inflation Experience: A Conversation about the Cost of Living (live webcast), September 23, 2015

“The National Economic Outlook: Post-Apocalyptic and Post-Cliff Edition” to the Estate Planning Council and Tax Club of Cleveland, January 7, 2013

“Whither the Recovery” to the Ohio Society of CPAs *Financial Institutions Conference*, August 14, 2012

“National and Regional Economic Outlook” to the Northeast Ohio Human Resource Planning Society, March 15, 2012

Conference Presentations:

2012

Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting, Columbus OH—Presenter

2013

Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting, Evanston IL—Presenter

Midwest Economics Association Annual Meeting, Evanston IL—Discussant

2014

Southern Economics Association Annual Meeting, Atlanta GA—Discussant

5th Annual Workshop on Central Bank Business Surveys, London UK—Presenter

2015

System Committee on Macroeconomics (Federal Reserve), Los Angeles, CA—Presenter

NABE Foundation's 12th Economic Measurement Seminar—Speaker

35th International Symposium on Forecasting, IIF, Riverside, CA—Presenter

Internal Presentations:

Various presentations for FOMC preparation and to the Board of Directors

Referee Experience:

Journal of Money, Credit, and Banking

International Journal of Forecasting

Empirical Economics

Awards and Certificates

IIF Certificate in Forecasting Practice (through Johns Hopkins), Bravo Recognition Award, Emerging Leader Program Graduate, Executive Leadership Council Strategic Planning Award

Statistical Packages: (In order of proficiency) Eviews, Stata, Rats, Matlab