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PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE:

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Chair, Department of Economics, Brigham Young University, July 2010-July 2016
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Associate Professor, Brigham Young University, August 1999-August 2009
Adjunct Economist, RAND Corporation, August 2003-2009
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Professor, RAND Graduate School, 2002-2003
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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

Associate Editor, *Economics of Education Review*, January 2003-July 2010
Editorial Board, *Economics of Education Review*, July 2010-Present
Editorial Board, *Encyclopedia of Education Economics and Finance*, February 2013

RESEARCH FIELDS:

Economics of Education, Labor Economics, Health Economics

TEACHING FIELDS:

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PEER REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS:

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Is Participation in High School Athletics an Investment or a Consumption Good? Evidence from High School and Beyond. With Nick Ronan. *Economics of Education Review*, 20, 431-442,

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The Effect of Grade Retention on Educational and Labor Market Outcomes. With Mark H. Showalter. *Economics of Education Review*, 20, 563-576, December 2001.

College Quality and the Distribution of Earnings. With Mark H. Showalter. *Research in Labor Economics*, 20, 133-158, 2001.

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Concerns in Education: Teacher Compensation and Teacher Quality. Arlington, VA: *Educational Research Service*. With Dan Goldhaber and Albert Yung-Hsu Lui. 2003.

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GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS:

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“The Effect of Education and Family Background on Earnings Inequality Among Young Workers,” American Educational Research Association (NSF Grant #RED-9452861), 1996-1998. With Mark H. Showalter.

UCSB General Affiliates Fellowship, 1992

H.B. Earhart Fellowship, 1989

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PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS:

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CONFERENCE AND SEMINAR PARTICIPATION:

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Discussant, Western Economics Association International, San Diego, CA, June 2017.

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Presentation, Department of Economics and Finance, Southern Utah University, October 2015.

Presentation, Department of Economics and Finance, Southern Utah University, October 2014.

Discussant, American Education Finance Association, San Antonio, TX, March 2014.

Presentation, Western Economics Association International, Seattle, WA, June 2013.

Presentation, Southern Economic Association, New Orleans, LA, November 2012.

Presentation, American Society of Health Economics, Ithaca, NY, June 2010.

Presentation, American Society of Health Economics, Durham, NC, June 2008.

Discussant, American Society of Health Economics, Durham, NC, June 2008.

Discussant, American Education Research Association, New York, NY, March 2008.

Presentation, International Health Economics Association World Congress, Copenhagen, Denmark, July 2007.

Presentation, Supreme Education Council of Qatar, Doha, Qatar, June 2006.

Presentation, American Education Finance Association, Denver, CO, March 2006.

Discussant, Allied Social Science Association, Boston, MA, January 2006.

Presentation, Utah Dean's Education Colloquium, Thanksgiving Point, UT, December 2005.

Presentation, International Health Economics Association World Congress, Barcelona, Spain, July 2005.

Discussant, Western Economic Association, Vancouver, BC, July 2004.

Discussant, Western Economic Association, Seattle, WA, July 2002.

Presentation, American Educational Research Association, New Orleans, LA, April 2002.

Session Chair, American Educational Research Association, New Orleans, LA, April 2002.

Presentation, Western Economic Association, San Francisco, CA, July 2001.

Presentation, RAND Corp., Pittsburgh, PA, March 2001.

Presentation, RAND Corp., Santa Monica, CA, February 2001.

Presentation, Department of Economics, Brigham Young University, Provo, UT, January 2001.

Presentation, National Invitational Conference on Improving Educational Productivity: Lessons from Economics, sponsored by The Laboratory for Student Success at Temple University Center for Research in Human Development and Education, November 2000.

Presentation and Session Chair, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Seattle, WA, November 2000.

Presentation and Session Chair, Western Economic Association Conference, Vancouver, BC, June 2000.

Presentation, Allied Social Science Association Winter Meetings, Boston, MA, January 2000.

Presentation, American Educational Finance Association Annual Meetings, Austin, TX, March 2000.

Presentation, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Washington, DC, November, 1999.

Presentation, National Bureau of Economic Research, Higher Education Conference, Boston, MA, October 1999 (with Dan D. Goldhaber).

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Session Chair, Western Economic Association Conference, San Diego, CA, July 1999.

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Presentation, Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Pittsburgh, PA, November 1996.
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Presentation to Department of Economics, Brigham Young University, February 1993.
Presentation to UCSB Labor Economics Seminar, Santa Barbara, CA, September 1992.
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