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EDUCATION:

Ph.D., Economics. University of Illinois at Chicago, 2006.
M.A., Economics. University of Illinois at Chicago, 1996.
B.A., Economics. Miami University, 1992.

CURRENT APPOINTMENT:

Associate Professor, Dept. of Economics, Northeastern Illinois University, 2014-Present
Chair, Department of Economics, Geography and Environmental Studies, 2017-Present

PREVIOUS ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:

Visiting Scholar, Warsaw School of Economics, 2016
Visiting Lecturer, Czestochowa University of Technology, 2016
Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, Northeastern Illinois University, 2009-2014
Acting Chair, Dept. of Economics, Geography and Environmental Studies, 2012-2013
Assistant Professor, Dept. of Economics, Winona State University, 2006-2009
Visiting Lecturer/Instructor, Northeastern Illinois University, 2002-2006
Visiting Lecturer, University of Illinois at Chicago, 2001-2004

RESEARCH FIELDS:

Urban and Regional Economics, Labor Economics, Real Estate, Education Finance, Economics of Gambling.

DISSERTATION: "Casino Gambling and Economic Development"

2006 UIC Outstanding Dissertation Award in Social Sciences
Advisor: Daniel McMillen

GRANT AWARDS:

2016 Traveling Scholar Research Grant (with Warsaw School of Economics), Kosciuszko Foundation

2015-16 Committee on Organized Research Grant, NEIU

2013-14 Committee on Organized Research Grant, NEIU

2013-14 NEIU Innovation Grant

2012 CAS Student/Faculty Summer Research Award, NEIU

2011-12 Research Communities Grant, NEIU

["The Spatial Evolution of Casino Gambling,"](#) *Cityscape: A Journal of Policy Development and Research*. 2008, 10(3):203-228.

["Matching Estimation, Casino Gambling, and the Quality of Life,"](#) *Annals of Regional Science*, 2008, 42(1):235-249.

["The Impact of Casino Gambling on Housing Markets,"](#) *Journal of Gambling Business and Economics*, 2007, 1(2):101-120.

["The Linguistic and Economic Adjustment of Soviet Jewish Immigrants in the United States, 2000."](#) With Barry Chiswick. *Research in Labor Economics*, 2006, 24:179-216.

OTHER PUBLICATIONS:

"Market Fundamentals and Long Run Housing Price Trends: Evidence from the U.S., 1995-2012." With Wei-Choun Yu. Proceedings of the 6th International Conference on Management, Mendel University: Brno, Czech Republic 2016, pp. 69-74.

Caught Looking. Baseball Prospectus. http://www.baseballprospectus.com/column/caught_looking/ Various columns.

"Managing Innovation in Higher Education: A Practitioner's Guide," in New Trends in Management in the 21st Century: A Cross-Atlantic Perspective. Czestochowa University of Technology: Czestochowa, Poland 2014, pp. 42-51.

"Betting Against the House," *Illinois Real Estate Journal*, 2011 (August): 15.

Book Review: Goldstein, Robin, and Alexis Herschkowitsch. The Wine Trials 2010. New York: Fearless Critic Media, 2009. *Journal of Wine Research*, 2011 (November): 265-267.

"The Linguistic and Economic Adjustment of Soviet Jewish Immigrants in the United States, 1980- 2000." With Barry Chiswick. In The Economics of Language, Barry R. Chiswick and Paul W. Miller. New York: Routledge Press, 2007. Note: This is a slightly different version than the Chiswick & Wenz 2006 paper listed above.

OTHER WORK EXPERIENCE:

2001-2004 Research Assistant to Professor Barry Chiswick, University of Illinois at Chicago
2003 Research Assistant, Institute on Race Relations and Public Policy, University of Illinois at Chicago
1999-2000

Illinois Economic Association, October 2016

Warsaw School of Economics, June 2016

Krakow University of Economics, May 2016

Market Fundamentals and Long Run House Price Trends: Evidence from the US 1995-2012, with Wei-Choun Yu
International Conference on Management, Mendel University, Czech Republic, June 2016

Managing Innovation in Higher Education: A Practitioner's Guide

Learn and Lead Symposium, NEIU, February 2015

Czestochowa University of Technology, Poland, June 2014

Casinos as Tools for Economic Development, with Ryan Gallagher.

University of Illinois-Chicago Great Cities Institute, February 2014

Chicago Southland Chamber of Commerce, February 2014

Lansing Chamber of Commerce, July 2014

Addicts or Opportunists? A Study of Casino-Related Crime in Elgin, Illinois.

Illinois Economic Association, October 2013

Business Cycles and EU Integration for the Balkan Region, with Joven Ebio, Scott Hegerty, Steven Kania, Raidas Korsakas, Nicholas Malone and Batkhuu Narankhuu.

World Business Institute Toronto Conference, June 2013

Life Insurance: Whole Life vs. Term Life, Which is Right for Me? with Christian Shelton and Jose DeLaRosa

Money Smart Week, NEIU, April 2013

Gambling

Illinois New Legislators Conference, Springfield, IL November 2012

What should we ask next about casino gambling and economic development?

Western Regional Science Association, February 2012

The Implicit Price of Casino Gambling.

University of Alberta Department of Economics, October 2012

Southern Regional Science Association, March 2012

NEIU Research Symposium, November 2011

Western Regional Science Association, February 2009

ODE Economics and Business Forum

Northeastern Illinois University, November 2011

The

Illinois Economics Association, October 2008

Neighborhood Spillovers: The Market for Parking at Chicago Cubs Games.

Midwest Business Administration Assn., Academy of Finance, March 2009