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EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND

Ph.D. Economics Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada <i>Three Essays in Optimal Redistributive Policies</i>	1995 – 2000
M.A. Economics York University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada	1994 – 1995
B.A. (Honours) Economics Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada	1990 – 1994

CURRENT STATUS AT MCMASTER

Professor, Tenured, Department of Economics
Conferred July 2016

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

Affiliate Member, Behavioural Experiments in Health Network, April 2016 – present.

Network Member, [Oslo Fiscal Studies](#), University of Oslo, June 2014 – present.

Elected Member, Board of Management, [International Institute of Public Finance](#), August 2011 – August 2014 and re-elected August 2014 – August 2017.

Associate Member, [Centre Interuniversitaire sur le Risque, les Politiques Économiques et l'Emploi \(CIRPÉE\)](#), Montreal, Quebec, Canada, 2002 – 2010.

ACADEMIC EMPLOYMENT

Academic Visitor Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research University of Melbourne, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia	January – June 2017
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Academic Visitor Tax Administration Research Centre, University of Exeter Exeter, Devon, United Kingdom	September – December 2016
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April 2017

Katherine Cuff

Associate Professor
Department of Economics, McMaster University
(Maternity/Parental Leaves: January 2011 – November 2011 and April 2006 – March 2007)

July 2006 – June 2016

Visiting Scholar
Department of Economics, Vanderbilt University
Nashville, Tennessee, United States

August 2008 – June 2009

Assistant Professor
Department of Economics, McMaster University
(Maternity/Parental Leave: July 2003 – July 2004)

July 2000 – June 2006

Teaching Fellow
Department of Economics, Queen's University
Kingston, Ontario, Canada

September – December 1999

SCHOLARLY AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Editorial

Editorial Advisory Board, [International Tax and Public Finance](#), October 2016 – present.

Guest Co-Editor for the [International Institute of Public Finance](#) special issue of *International Tax and Public Finance*, August 2016 – August 2017.

Editor, [FinanzArchiv/Public Finance Analysis](#), January 2014 – present.

Associate Editor, [Canadian Public Policy](#), July 2011 – July 2015.

Editorial Advisory Board, [Canadian Journal of Economics](#), July 2006 – June 2009.

Grant and Personal Committees

Economics Peer-Review Panel Member, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Insight Grant October 2015 Competition.

Social Sciences Adjudication Panel Member, Ontario Ministry of Research and Innovation Early Researcher Awards Program, Round 11, 2015.

Economics Peer-Review Panel Member, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council, Insight Grant October 2014 Competition.

Executive Positions

President, [Canadian Women Economist Network/Réseau de Femmes Économistes](#), June 2010 – May 2011.

Executive Council Member, [Canadian Economics Association](#), June 2007 – May 2010.

Conference Organization

Co-Chair of the Scientific Committee, International Institute of Public Finance, [72nd Annual Congress](#) Lake Tahoe, Nevada, USA, August 2016.

Organizing Committee Member, [2nd Workshop on Behavioral and Experimental Health Economics](#), McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, February 2015.

Scientific Co-Organizer, Canadian Public Economics Group Sessions at the 48th Annual Canadian Economics Association Meetings, Simon Fraser University, British Columbia, June 2014.

Scientific Organizer, Canadian Public Economics Group Sessions at the 47th Canadian Economic Association Meetings, HEC Montreal, Quebec, June 2013.

Chair of the Programme Selection Committee, Canadian Public Economics Group, Queen's University, November 2010.

Conference Co-Organizer, International Seminar in Public Economics (ISPE) in Honour of Robin Boadway, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, May 2009.

Conference Organizer, Canadian Public Economics Group 10th Annual Meeting, McMaster University, Hamilton, Ontario, May 2005.

Programme Selection Committee, Canadian Public Economics Group, June 2016, May 2006, June 2002 and June 2001.

Journal Refereeing

American Economic Journal: Economic Policy, American Economic Journal: Microeconomics, American Economic Review, B.E. Journal of Economic Analysis & Policy, Contemporary Economic Policy, Canadian Public Policy, Canadian Journal of Economics, Econometrica, Economic Inquiry, Economic Journal, Economica, Économnie Internationale, Economics Letters, European Economic Review, FinanzArchiv, German Economic Review, International Economic Review, International Journal of Public Policy, International Tax and Public Finance, Journal of Applied Economics, Journal of Economics, Journal of Economics & Management, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of International Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of Public Economic Theory, Oxford Economic Papers, Public Finance Review, Regional Science and Urban Economics, Review of Economic Design, Scandinavian Journal of Economics, Southern Economic Journal, and University of Calgary School of Public Policy Urban Policy Series.

External Reviews - Departmental

Graduate Programs, Department of Economics University of Western Ontario, 2015.

External Reviews - Tenure and/or Promotion

Department of Management and Economics, Royal Military College of Canada, 2017.
Department of Economics, University of Toronto, 2016.

Habilitation à Diriger des Recherches (HDR works), University of Cergy-Pontoise, France, 2014.
Johnson-Shoyama Graduate School of Public Policy, University of Saskatchewan, 2014.
Department of Economics, University of Victoria, 2013.
Department of Economics, University of Guelph, 2012.

External Reviews - Grants

French National Research Agency (ANR) Blanc SHS 1 Program, March 2012.
Franco-German Programme in the Humanities and Social Sciences, French National Research Agency (ANR), 2010.
Standard Research Grant, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 2005.
Federalism and Federations Program: Research Grant, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, 2002.

External Reviews - Textbook

University of Toronto Press, November 2010

AREAS OF INTEREST

Research: Optimal Redistributive Policies, Fiscal Competition, Experimental Economics

Teaching: Public Economics, Microeconomics

HONOURS

McMaster University, [University Scholar](#), 2015 – 2019.
[Canada Research Chair in Public Economic Theory](#), Tier II, 2009 – 2014, renewed 2014 – 2019.
[C.A. Curtis Prize for Best Doctoral Thesis in Economics](#), Queen's University, 2002.
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council Doctoral Fellowship, 1997 – 1999.
Pacific Institute for the Mathematical Sciences Graduate Travel Award, 1998.
International Institute of Public Finance Young Scholar's Award, 1998.
Ontario Graduate Scholarships, 1995 – 1997.
York University Scholarship, 1994.
Queen's University Dean's Special Award, 1993.

COURSES TAUGHT (since 2010 at McMaster University)

Undergraduate

Public Sector Economics: Taxation, Economics 3C03, Winter 2014.

Methods of Inquiry in Economics, Economics 3F03, Fall 2010 and Fall 2012.

Graduate

Workshop in Economics II, Economics 799, Winter 2015.

Workshop in Economics I, Economics 798, Fall 2014.

Public Finance, Economics 731, Fall 2010, Winter 2012, Winter 2013, Winter 2014, and Winter 2015.

SUPERVISORSHIPS

Undergraduate

Arts and Science Undergraduate Thesis, 2005 – 2006.

Master

M.A. in Economic Policy Project, 2007 – 2008.

Doctoral

Ph.D. Candidate, Committee Member, Supervisor Abigail Payne, completed 2016.

Ph.D. Candidate, Co- Supervisor with Abigail Payne, completed 2013.

Ph.D. Candidate, Committee Member, Supervisor Arthur Sweetman, in progress.

Ph.D. Candidate, Committee Member, Supervisor Byron Spencer, in progress.

External PhD Thesis Examiner

Department of Philosophy, McMaster University, 2012.

Department of Economics, University of Western Ontario, 2010.

RESEARCH FUNDING (Principal Applicant's Name is Underlined)

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Insight Grant, \$118,000, “Tax Competition with Heterogeneous Capital”, Katherine Cuff, Steeve Mongrain and Joanne Roberts, April 2014 – March 2018.

Canadian Foundation for Innovation, Leaders Opportunity Fund, \$100,000, “McMaster Decision Science Laboratory (McDSL)”, Neil Buckley, Katherine Cuff, and Jeremiah Hurley, April 2014.

Canadian Institute for Health Research, Operating Grant, \$138,087, “Judgments of Equity in Health Care Resource Allocation”, Neil Buckley, Katherine Cuff, Mita Giacomini, Jeremiah Hurley, and Stuart Mestelman, January 2012 – June 2013.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Research Grant, \$136,651, “Experiments on Majority–Rule Voting over the Public Provision of Private Goods”, Neil Buckley, Katherine Cuff, Jeremiah Hurley, and Stuart Mestelman, April 2011 – March 2014.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Research Grant, \$62,000, “Political Economy and Social Policy”, Katherine Cuff, Steeve Mongrain, and Joanne Roberts, April 2011 – March 2014.

McMaster University Incentive Grant, \$5,000, “Top-up, Opt-out or Exit: Experiments on Public Support with Private Alternatives”, Katherine Cuff, July 2010 – June 2011.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Research Grant, \$43,162, “Public Expenditure Policy and Private Goods”, Katherine Cuff, April 2006 – March 2009.

New Emerging Teams (NET) Grant, Canadian Institute for Health Research, \$932,065, “Financing and Funding Health Care: Exploring Equity and Efficiency Using Experimental Economics Methods”, Katherine Cuff, Jeffrey Carr, Mita Giacomini, and Jeremiah Hurley, Stuart Mestelman, Andrew Muller, Mirna Rahal and Gavin Wardle, May 2005 – April 2010.

Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, Research Grant, \$48,358, “Redistributive Policy and the Labour Market”, Katherine Cuff, April 2001 – March 2006.

McMaster University Arts Research Board Research Grant, \$4,739, “Equalization and Decentralization”, Robin Boadway, Katherine Cuff, and Maurice Marchand, December 2000 – December 2001.

PUBLICATIONS

Book Chapters in Edited Volumes

Boadway, R. and K. Cuff, “The Recent Evolution of Redistribution in Canada,” in Keith Banting and John Myles, eds., *The Fading of Redistributive Politics: Inequality and the Politics of Social Policy* (UBC Press: Vancouver), 2013, 335–358.

Burbidge, J. and K. Cuff, “Mandatory Retirement and Incentives in University Defined Benefit Pension Plans,” in Michael G. Abbott, Charles M. Beach, Robin W. Boadway, and James G. MacKinnon (eds.) *Retirement Policy Issues in Canada* (McGill-Queen's University Press: Kingston) 2009, 353–374.

Boadway, R., K. Cuff, and N. Marceau, “Design of Assistance Programs to Address Real Income Volatility,” in Dean Jolliffe and James Ziliak (eds.) *Income Volatility and Food Assistance in the United States* (W.E. Upjohn Institute: Michigan) 2008, 217–258.

Journal Articles

Buckley, N. K. Cuff, J. Hurley, S. Mestelman, S. Thomas, and D. Cameron, “Should I Stay or Should I Go? Public Provision of a Private Good with an Exit Option,” *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization* 131B (November 2016), 62–77.

Boadway, R. and K. Cuff, “Tax Treatment of Bequests when Donor Benefits are Discounted,” *International Tax and Public Finance* 22 (August 2015), 604–634.

Buckley, N., K. Cuff, J. Hurley, S. Mestelman, S. Thomas, and D. Cameron, “Support for Public Provision of a Private Good with Top-Up and Opt-Out: A Controlled Laboratory Experiment,” *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization* 111 (March 2015), 177–196.

Boadway, R. and K. Cuff, “Monitoring and Optimal Income Taxation with Involuntary Unemployment,” *Annals of Economics and Statistics* 113/114 (June 2014) 121–157.

Buckley, N., K. Cuff, J. Hurley, L. McLeod, S. Mestelman, and D. Cameron, “An Experimental Investigation of the Demand for Private Insurance and of Health Systems Outcomes under a Mixed System of Public and Private Finance,” *Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization* 84 (December 2012), 713–729.

Cuff, K., J. Hurley, S. Mestelman, A. Muller, and R. Nuscheler, “Public and Private Health Care Financing with Alternate Public Rationing Rules,” *Health Economics* 21 (February 2012), 83–100.

Buckley, N., K. Cuff, J. Hurley, L. McLeod, R. Nuscheler, and D. Cameron, “Willingness-to-Pay for Parallel Private Health Insurance: Evidence from a Laboratory Experiment,” *Canadian Journal of Economics* 45 (February 2012), 137–166.

Cuff, K., S. Hong, J. Schwartz, Q. Wen, and J. Weymark, "Dominant Strategy Implementation with a Convex Product Space of Valuations," *Social Choice and Welfare* 39 (July 2012), 567–597.

Cuff, K., N. Marceau, S. Mongrain, and J. Roberts, "Optimal Policies and the Informal Sector," *Journal of Public Economics* 95 (December 2011), 1280–1291.

Hurley, J., N. Buckley, K. Cuff, M. Giacomini, and D. Cameron, "Judgments Regarding the Fair Division of Goods: The Impact of Verbal versus Quantitative Descriptions of Alternative Divisions," *Social Choice and Welfare* 39 (July 2011), 341–372.

Burbidge J., K. Cuff and J. Leach, "Tax Competition with Heterogeneous Firms," *Journal of Public Economics* 90 (February 2006), 533–549.

Burbidge, J. and K. Cuff, "Capital Tax Competition and Returns to Scale," *Regional Science and Urban Economics* 35 (July 2005), 353–373.

Boadway, R., K. Cuff, and N. Marceau, "Agglomeration Effects and the Competition for Firms," *International Tax and Public Finance* 11 (September 2004), 623–645.

Boadway, R., K. Cuff, and N. Marceau, "Redistribution and Employment Policies with Endogenous Unemployment," *Journal of Public Economics* 87 (October 2003), 2407–2430.

Boadway, R., K. Cuff, and M. Marchand, "Equalization and the Decentralization of Revenue-Raising in a Federation," *Journal of Public Economic Theory* 5 (April 2003), 201–228.

Boadway, R., K. Cuff, and N. Marceau, "Inter-Jurisdictional Competition for Firms," *Economic Review* 43 (August 2002), 761–782.

Boadway, R. and K. Cuff, "A Minimum Wage Can Be Welfare-Improving and Employment-Enhancing," *European Economic Review* 45 (March 2001), 553–576.

Boadway R., K. Cuff, and M. Marchand, "Optimal Income Taxation with Quasi-Linear Preferences Revisited," *Journal of Public Economic Theory* 2 (October 2000), 435–460.

Cuff, K., "Optimality of Workfare with Heterogeneous Preferences," *Canadian Journal of Economics* 33 (February 2000), 149–174.

Boadway, R. and K. Cuff, "Monitoring as an Instrument for Targeting Transfers," with Robin Boadway, *International Tax and Public Finance* 6 (August 1999), 317–337.

Submitted for Publication

"Optimal Unemployment Insurance and Redistribution," with Robin Boadway, 2016.

"Dual Tax Evasion," with Steeve Mongrain and Joanne Roberts, 2017.

Working Papers

"Public Economics: Fiscal Federalism," with Robin Boadway, 2017.

“Public Provision of a Private Good: What’s in a name?,” with Neil Buckley, David Cameron, Jeremiah Hurley and Stephanie Thomas, 2017.

“Designing a Basic Income Guarantee for Canada,” with Robin Boadway and Kourtney Koebel, 2016.

“Optimal Minimum Wage Policy and the Informal Sector,” with Steeve Mongrain and Joanne Roberts, 2010.

“Equilibrium Excess Demand in the Rental Housing Market for the Poor,” with Nicolas Marceau, 2009.

Policy Reports

Boadway, R., and K. Cuff, “Evaluating Public Pensions,” in Anwar Shah (ed.), *Equity in Public Spending*, Public Sector Governance and Accountability Series, The World Bank, 2005.

Boadway, R., K. Cuff, and F. Flatters, “Reforming Social Security in Thailand: Issues and Alternatives,” International and Development Studies Working Paper, John Deutsch Institute for the Study of Economic Policy, 1997.

Book Reviews

Cuff, K., “Review of ‘Tax Evasion and Firm Survival in Competitive Markets’ by Filip Palda,” *Canadian Public Policy* 29 (December 2003), 525-526.

PRESENTATIONS

Invited Presentations

“Optimal Unemployment Insurance and Redistribution,” Joint Japanese Public Economics and Tax Administration Research Centre Workshop, University of Exeter, United Kingdom, 2016.

“The Recent Evolution of Redistribution Policies in Canada,” Public Choice – The Trade-offs Between Education and Healthcare in Public Finance, University of Regina, Canada, 2013.

“Mandatory Retirement and Incentives in Private Pension Plans,” John Deutsch Institute Conference on Retirement Issues in Canada, Queen’s University, Canada, 2007.

“Agglomeration Effects and the Competition for Firms,” Canada-Japan Conference on Fiscal Federalism and Local Public Finance, Tokyo, Japan, 2001.

“Inter-Jurisdictional Competition for Firms,” Warwick/IFS/ESRC Public Economics Weekend Coventry, United Kingdom, 2001.

Invited University Seminar Presentations

“Optimal Unemployment Insurance and Redistribution,” Melbourne Institute (February 2017) and Curtin University (March 2017).

“Dual Tax Evasion,” New York State University at Buffalo (April 2016).

“Tax Treatment of Bequests when Donor Benefits are Discounted,” University of Oslo (June 2014) and University of Victoria (March 2014).

“Monitoring and Optimal Income Taxation with Involuntary Unemployment,” University of Regina (March 2013), Mount Allison University (February 2013), and University of Windsor (October 2012).

“Equilibrium Excess Demand in the Rental Housing Market for the Poor,” (revised version of earlier paper), University of Florida (February 2009), Vanderbilt University (September 2008), University of Guelph (April 2008) and University of Calgary (January 2008).

“Public and Private Health Care Financing with Alternate Public Rationing Rules,” University of Waterloo (September 2007).

“Tenancy Default, Excess Demand, and the Rental Market,” Brock University (February 2006).
 “Capital Tax Competition with Heterogeneous Firms and Agglomeration,” Wilfrid Laurier University (November 2004).

“Agglomeration Effects and the Competition for Firms,” York University (October 2002), State University of New York at Buffalo (November 2001), and Ryerson University (October 2001).

“Inter-Jurisdictional Competition for Firms,” Brock University (April 2001) and University of Guelph (November 2000).

“A Minimum Wage Can Be Welfare-Improving and Employment-Enhancing,” University of Calgary (January 2000), University of Alberta (January 2000), University of Western Ontario (January 2000), Dalhousie University (January 2000), McMaster University (January 2000), and Simon Fraser University (February 2000).

Peer-Reviewed Conference Presentations

2016 Conference of the Italian Public Economics Society (Lecce, Italy) “Optimal Unemployment Insurance and Redistribution.”

2016 72th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Lake Tahoe, Nevada, USA) “Optimal Unemployment Insurance and Redistribution.”

2016 50th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association (Ottawa, Canada)
 “Optimal Unemployment Insurance and Redistribution.”

2014 70th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Lugano, Switzerland)
 “Tax Treatment of Bequests when Donor Benefits are Discounted.”

2013 83rd Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association (Tampa, USA)
 “Dual Corporate Tax Evasion.”

2013 69th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Taormina/Sicily, Italy) “Monitoring and Optimal Income Taxation with Involuntary Unemployment.”

2013 9th World Congress on Health Economics (Sydney, Australia)

“An Experimental Investigation of the Political Economy of Mixed Systems of Finance.”

2013 47th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association (Montreal, Canada) “Dual Corporate Tax Evasion.”

2012 82nd Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association (New Orleans, USA)

“Monitoring and Optimal Income Taxation with Involuntary Unemployment.”

2012 68th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Dresden, Germany)

“An Experimental Investigation of Mixed Systems of Public and Private Finance.”

2012 46th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association (Calgary, Canada)

“An Experimental Investigation of the Political Economy of Mixed Systems of Finance.”

2011 8th World Congress on Health (Toronto, Canada)

“An Experimental Investigation of the Political Economy of Mixed Systems of Finance.”

2010 66th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Uppsala, Sweden)

“Optimal Minimum Wage Policy and the Informal Sector.”

2010 9th Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet Conference (Marseilles, France)

“Optimal Minimum Wage Policy and the Informal Sector.”

2010 Canadian Economic Association Meetings (Quebec City, Quebec)

“An Experimental Investigation of the Demand for Private Insurance and of Health Systems Outcomes under a Mixed System of Public and Private Finance.”

2008 Canadian Economic Association Meetings (Vancouver, British Columbia)

“Public and Private Health Care Financing with Alternate Public Rationing.”

2007 8th International Meeting of the Association for Public Economic Theory (Nashville, USA)

“Tenancy Default, Excess Demand and the Rental Market.”

2004 60th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Milan, Italy)

“Capital Tax Competition with Heterogeneous Firms and Agglomeration.”

2004 CES/NBER Trans-Atlantic Public Economics Seminar on Fiscal Federalism (Munich, Germany) “Capital Tax Competition with Heterogeneous Firms and Agglomeration.”

2002 3rd International Conference on Public Economic Theory (Paris, France)

“Tax Competition and Strategic Firms.”

2002 Canadian Public Economics Group 7th Annual Meeting (Calgary, Canada)

“Capital Tax Competition and Returns to Scale.”

2001 Canadian Economics Association Meetings (Montreal, Canada)

“Agglomeration Effects and the Competition for Firms.”

2000 56th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Sevilla, Spain)
 “Inter-Jurisdictional Competition for Firms.”

1999 Canadian Public Economics Study Group 5th Annual Meeting (Toronto, Canada)
 “A Minimum Wage Can Be Welfare-Improving and Employment-Enhancing.”

1998 54th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance (Cordoba, Argentina)
 “Monitoring as an Instrument for Targeting Transfers.”

1998 Canadian Public Economics Study Group 4th Annual Meeting (Ottawa, Canada)
 “Optimality of Workfare with Heterogeneous Preferences.”

Contributed: Conference Discussant Presentations

- 72nd Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Lake Tahoe, Nevada, USA, August 2016.
- 50th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, June 2016.
- 49th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, Ryerson University, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, May 2015.
- Canadian Public Economics Group, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada, November 2013.
- 83rd Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association, Tampa, Florida, USA, November 2013 (two papers).
- 69th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Taormina, Sicily, Italy, August 2013.
- 82nd Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA, November 2012.
- Canadian Public Economics Group, Concordia University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada, November 2012
- 68th Annual Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Dresden, Germany, August 2012.
- 46th Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association (CEA), University of Calgary, Canada, June 2012.
- Taxation Theory Conference, Vanderbilt University, Nashville, USA, May 2012
- Canadian Public Economics Group, Wilfrid Laurier University, Waterloo, Ontario, Canada, November 2011.
- 66th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Uppsala, Sweden, August 2010.
- 9th Journées Louis-André Gérard-Varet Conference, Marseilles, France, June 2010.
- Canadian Economics Association, Laval University, Quebec City, Canada, May 2010
- Canadian Public Economics Group, Laval University, Quebec City, Canada, May 2010.
- International Society for Public Economics Conference in Honour of Robin Boadway, Queen's University, Kingston, Ontario, Canada, May 2009.
- Canadian Public Economics Group, Simon Fraser/UBC, Vancouver, Canada, June 2008.
- Canadian Public Economics Group, Dalhousie University, Halifax, Canada, June 2007.
- 60th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Milan, Italy, August 2004
- Canada-Japan Conference on Fiscal Federalism and Local Public Finance, Meiji Gakuin University, Tokyo, Japan, June 2001.

- International Society for Public Economics Conference in Honour of Maurice Marchand, CORE, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, June 2000.
- Canadian Public Economics Study Group 6th Annual Meetings, Simon Fraser University, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, May 2000.
- 54th Congress of the International Institute of Public Finance, Cordoba, Argentina, August 1998.
- Canadian Economics Association Meetings, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, Ontario, May 1998.

ADMINISTRATIVE RESPONSIBILITIES (at McMaster University)

Department of Economics Service

Chair of the Graduate Studies Committee, July 2014 – June 2016.

Peer Teaching Assessor, 2014 and 2016.

Tenure and Promotion Committee, Member, 2007 – 2008 and 2012 – 2013.

Graduate Admissions Committee (MA/PhD), Member, 2007 – 2008 and 2012 – 2014.

Chair of the Research Committee, 2009 – 2011.

Web-Site Coordinator, 2005 – 2006.

Committee on Recruitment, Member, 2002 – 2003 and 2004 – 2005.

Public Finance Comprehensive Examination Committee, 2002 - 2014.

Microeconomics Comprehensive Examination Committee, 2001 – 2003.

Faculty of Social Sciences Service

Faculty of Social Sciences Graduate Curriculum and Policy Committee, Department of Economics Representative, July 2014 – June 2016.

Adjudication Committee for the Faculty of Social Science Collaborative Research Initiatives, Member, 2013.

Selection Committee for the Associate Dean, Graduate Studies & Research, Member, Faculty of Social Sciences, 2012.

Scrutineer, Faculty Elections to Senate, April 2010 and April 2008.

Social Sciences Faculty Council, Department of Economics Representative, 2002 – 2003.

University Service

University Officer, McMaster University's Research Misconduct Investigation Panel, Faculty of Social Sciences Representative, 2014.

Agreed to serve on McMaster University Tenure and Promotion Tribunal Appeals, 2012 – 2013 and 2013 – 2014.

Joint Drafting Committee to Review the Tenure and Promotion Policy Supplementary Policy Statements, McMaster University Faculty Association Representative, 2010 – 2012.

Senate Committee on Academic Integrity, Member, 2009 – 2010.

Senate Committee on Appointments, Member, 2007 – 2008.

University Senate, Faculty of Social Sciences Elected Representative, 2007 – 2008 and 2009 – 2010.