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Curriculum Vitae

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Citizenship: USA

EDUCATION

PhD, Economics, Binghamton University (expected June 2009)

MA, Economics, Binghamton University, Fall 2006

BA, Economics, *magna cum laude*, Adelphi University Honors College, Spring 2003

AREAS OF CONCENTRATION

Primary field: Financial Economics

Secondary field: Macroeconomics

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Media and Financial Markets

Behavioral Finance

Macroeconomics

Institutional Investors

RESEARCH PAPERS

1. "The Effect of Macroeconomic News on Stock Returns: New Evidence from Newspaper Coverage," with John R. Lott, Jr. (Job Market Paper)
2. "The Role of Media in Asset Markets" (Work in Progress)
3. "Mutual Funds, Self-Fulfilling Prophecy, and Managerial Skill" (Work in Progress)

TEACHING AND RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Instructor: Economics of Developing Countries (Spring 2007, Fall 2007, Spring 2008)
Macroeconomic Theory (Summer 2008, Fall 2008)

Teaching Assistant: Principles of Microeconomics (Fall 2004)
Macroeconomic Theory (Spring 2005, Fall 2005, Spring 2006)

CONFERENCE PARTICIPATION

Canadian Economics Association Annual Meetings, Vancouver, June 2008 (Presenter)
Financial Management Association Annual Meetings, Dallas, October 2008 (Discussant)

HONORS AND AWARDS

Graduate Student Award for Excellence in Teaching (Binghamton University), 2008
Binghamton Foundation Travel Grant (Binghamton University), 2008
Presidential Scholarship Award (Adelphi University), 2000 – 2003
National Honor Society in Business Administration *Delta Mu Delta*, 2001

NONACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Intern: Merrill Lynch & Co., New York, NY
Private Client Group (December 2002 – June 2003)

SKILLS

Computer: SAS, STATA and MATLAB
Languages: Russian (fluent)

REFERENCES

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