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Personal Details

CITIZENSHIP: Canadian.

LANGUAGES: English, French (mother tongue), Spanish (working knowledge).

Education

- 2007 – QUEEN’S UNIVERSITY
Ph.D. Candidate in Economics.
Thesis Title: “Constitutional, political and behavioral aspects of public finance”
Expected Completion: June 2012
Committee: Robin W. Boadway (main advisor), Sumon Majumdar and Marie-Louise Viero.
- 2006 UNIVERSITÉ DU QUÉBEC À MONTRÉAL
Master of Science in Economics, October 2006.
- 2005 UNIVERSITÉ DU QUÉBEC À MONTRÉAL
Bachelor of Science in Economics, June 2005.

Complementary Education

- 2009 UNIVERSITAT DE BARCELONA
Summer School in Political Economy, July 2009
Instructors: James Snyder (Harvard/MIT), Ben Lockwood (Warwick).

Fields of Specialization

Fiscal federalism, Law and Economics, Public finance and Behavioral economics.

Scholarships, Awards, and Honours

Major:

- 2011-12 Ontario Graduate Scholarship (\$ 15 000).
- 2010-11 Ontario Graduate Scholarship (\$ 15 000).
- 2007-10 Doctoral scholarship, Fonds Québécois de la Recherche sur la Société et la Culture (\$ 60 000).
- 2007-12 Various scholarships (declined) including Senator Franck Carrell fellowship awarded to the best entering student originating from the East of Ontario, Queen's Economics Department (approx. \$ 70 000).
- 2005-06 Graduate Scholarship in Economics, Finance and Fiscal Studies - Ministère des Finances du Québec (3 awarded in Quebec, \$ 15 000).
- 2003-05 Fairfax Financial Holdings Limited scholarship (1 nominate per university, 9 granted in Canada, 10 000 \$).

Minor:

- 2009 Student Conference Presentation Award, School of Graduate Studies and Research, Queen's University.
- 2009 Travel fellowship, Institut d'Economia de Barcelona (IEB), Universitat de Barcelona.
- 2008 Special Summer Assistantship, Economics Department, Queen's University.
- 2006 Research Fellowship, Centrale des Syndicats du Québec.
- 2005 Bourse d'Initiation à la Recherche Hydro-Québec/ESG-UQAM.

Academic works

Books:

Garon, J-D. and A. Therrien (2007). "Le Prédateur et l'Imposteur: La Politique Économique selon Jean Chrétien et Paul Martin," Michel Brûlé Éditeur, 264 p.

Garon, J-D. and N. Marceau. "Relations Financières Québec-Ottawa: État des Lieux et Perspectives," In Progress (manuscript available upon request).

Research articles in preparation:

2011. "Optimal Redistributive Pensions when Agents Learn Self-Control".

2010. "Can Centralization Stabilize Federations? A Dynamic Reassessment of the Fiscal Assignment Problem".

2010. "Temptation, Self-Control and the Redistributive Role of Public Pensions".

2009. "The Political Integration of Multi-Cultural Jurisdiction under Representative Democracy".

Policy papers:

Boadway, R.W. and J-D. Garon (2011). "The Design of Employment Insurance in a Federation," The Mowatt Centre for Policy Innovation, School of Public Policy and Governance, University of Toronto.

Garon, J-D. (2006). "Retrait des Subventions aux Écoles Primaires et Secondaires Privées: Évaluation de l'élasticité de la Demande," Discussion paper no. 57, Centrale des Syndicats du Québec.

Presentations in Conferences

Presenter:

2010 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Law and Economics Association, University of Toronto.

2010 Annual Meeting of the Canadian Public Economics Group (CPEG), Queen's University.

2009 IEB Summer School in Political Economy, Universitat de Barcelona (IEB).

Discussant:

2010 "Fuzzy Political Campaigns" by Arianna Degan (UQAM) and Ming Li (Concordia), Annual Meetings of the Canadian Public Economics Group, Laval University.

2010 "On the Selection of Property Crimes with Private Protection" by Steeve Mongrain (Simon Fraser) and Tanguy van Ypersele (GREQAM-Marseille), Annual Meetings of the Canadian Economics Association, Laval University.

2010 "Self-Containment: Achieving Peace in Anarchic Settings" by Petros Sekeris (Namur), Annual Defense and Security Workshop, Royal Military College of Canada, Kingston.

Others:

2007 "On the Nexus of Politics and Economics," Honors Commerce Speech, Marianopolis College, Westmount QC.

Relevant Employment

2007-10 TEACHING FELLOW, QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY
Instructor for Econ 111s (Introductory Microeconomics) for the semesters of Summer 2009, Winter 2010, Summer 2010, Winter 2011, Summer 2011
Instructor for Econ 112s (Introductory Macroeconomics) for the semester of Fall 2009.

2009-11 TEACHING ASSISTANT, QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY
Microeconomic Theory (M.A.), Fall 2010
Advanced Microeconomic Theory II (Ph.D), Winter 2009
Advanced Microeconomic Theory I (Ph.D), Fall 2008
Public Finance Theory (B.A. Hons), Winter 2008
Law and Economics (B.A. Hons), Fall 2007.

- 2009-12 RESEARCH ASSISTANT, QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY
Professor Sumon Majumdar, Winter 2012 (contract granted)
Professor Robin W. Boadway, Fall 2011
Professor Robin W. Boadway, Summer 2010
Professor Robin W. Boadway, Summer 2009.
- 2008-09 OFFICE OF THE OFF. OPPOSITION CRITIC FOR LABOUR, NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUEBEC
Economic Advisor to M. Francois Rebello, Critic of the Official Opposition for the Minister of Labour, December 2008 to May 2009.
- 2007 MINISTÈRE DES FINANCES DU QUÉBEC
Intern, 'Direction de la Politiques Budgétaire', Summer 2007
Conducted the preparatory work for the "Groupe de Travail sur la Tarification des Services Publics" (Montmarquette committee), Summer 2007.
- 2007 CÉGEP ANDRÉ-LAURENDEAU, MONTREAL QC
Full time teacher in Economics, Département des Sciences Humaines, Winter 2007
Courses taught: Actualité économique internationale (2 groups), Agents microéconomiques (1 group).
- 2006 TEACHING ASSISTANT, UNIVERSITÉ DU QUÉBEC À MONTRÉAL
Mathematical Economics I, Winter 2006.
- 2004-06 RESEARCH ASSISTANT, UNIVERSITÉ DU QUÉBEC À MONTRÉAL
Professor Nicolas Marceau, Fall 2006
Professor Alain Guay, Summer 2006
Professor Nicolas Marceau, May 2004 to April 2005.

Service

- 2011-12 Co-organizer, Queen's Economics Intramural Ice Hockey Team.
- 2011 Referee for the Canadian Journal of Economics.
- 2010-11 Co-organizer, Queen's Economics Intramural Ice Hockey Team.
- 2010-11 Organizer, Public Economics Reading Group, Queen's Economics Department.
- 2009-10 Co-organizer, Public Economics Reading Group, Queen's Economics Department.
- 2007-10 Tutor for Undergraduate Students, Queen's Economics Department.
- 2003-04 Secretary-Treasurer, Association des Étudiants en Sciences Économiques, UQAM.
- 2000-01 Successively Vice-president (elected), President (interim) and President (elected), Association Générale des Étudiants du Campus Notre-Dame-de-Foy, St-Augustin-de-Desmaures QC.
- 2000 Founder and member, Project JEM-Afrique (humanitarian work in Toma, Burkina-Faso), June 2000.

Addendum: non-academic employment

- 2008 ALMA FRUITS DISTRIBUTION INC.
Broker, Wild Blueberries from Lac-st-Jean (QC)
Markets: Montréal Marché Central and Ontario Food Terminal (Toronto)
Summer 2008, 60 hours per week.
- 2003-04 LIBRAIRIE SONS ET LETTRES, VERDUN QC
Bookstore clerk, 13 hours per week, February 2003 to May 2004
17 hours per week, September 1st 2003 to April 2004.
- 2003-04 LA CROIX GRISE INC., MONTREAL QC
Coordinator for Web Statistics in a Web Marketing firm
14 hours per week, September 1st 2003 to April 2004.
- 2003 VERGER DU FLÂNEUR, ROUGEMONT QC
Farm work (family farm), 2 days per week, August-November 2003.
- 2001-03 OLD RIVER, MONTREAL QC
Stocks manager at Eaton Centre, Peel outlets and Warehouse (Summer 2002)
15 hours per week, May 2001 to February 2003.