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## Personal Details

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CITIZENSHIP: Canadian.

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

## Education

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CURRENT 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*

## Fields of Specialization

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

## Scholarships, Awards, and Honours

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*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 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**

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#### *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".

#### *Peer-reviewed 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.

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

## Presentations in Conferences

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### *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:*

- 2010 "On the Nexus of Politics and Economics," Honors Commerce Speech, Marianopolis College, Westmount QC.

## Relevant Employment

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- 2008-09 OFFICE OF THE OFFICIAL OPPOSITION CRITIC FOR LABOUR, NATIONAL ASSEMBLY OF QUEBEC  
*Economic Advisor to the Critic of the Official Opposition Critic for Labour, December 2008 to May 2009.*
- 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*
- 2007 MINISTÈRE DES FINANCES DU QUÉBEC  
*Intern, 'Direction de la Politique Budgétaire', Summer 2007*
- 2006 TEACHING ASSISTANT, UNIVERSITÉ DU QUÉBEC À MONTRÉAL  
*Mathematical Economics I, Winter 2006*
- 2004-06 RESEARCH ASSISTANT, UNIVERSITÉ DU QUÉBEC À MONTRÉAL  
*Professor Alain Guay, Summer 2006*  
*Professor Nicolas Marceau, May 2004 to April 2005*
- 2003-04 LA CROIX GRISE INC., MONTREAL  
*Coordinator for Web Statistics*

### Service

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- 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.

### Professional Affiliation

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- Current American Economic Association (since 2004).
- Current Canadian Economic Association (since 2004).
- 2004 Economic History Society.

## References

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