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Lars Spencer Osberg Curriculum Vitae

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CITIZENSHIP Canadian

EDUCATION PhD, Yale University, 1975
M.Phil., Yale University, 1972
BA. (Hon.), Queen's University, 1968

DISSERTATION TITLE A Structural Approach to the Distributions of Earnings

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

Dalhousie University

- McCulloch Professor of Economics, July 1, 1995--
- Professor with Tenure, Department of Economics, 1985--
- University Research Professor – July 1, 2005 – June 30, 2010
- Associate Professor with Tenure, Department of Economics, 1981-1985
- Assistant Professor, Department of Economics, Dalhousie University, 1977-1980.

Visiting Scholar / Visiting Research Fellow

- Guest Researcher – GESIS, Leibnitz Institute for the Social Sciences, June 2024, Cologne, Germany
- Institute for New Economic Thinking, Oxford, U.K. February – May 2018
- Statistics Directorate, Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD), Paris, France, January-June 2014
- Economics Department, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia
-July 2012, February 2014, April 2015, January 2018, June 2019
- Indira Gandhi Institute for Development Research (IGIDR), Mumbai, India May –June 2010
- Research on Poverty Alleviation (REPOA), Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, August 2009 – April 2010.
- Institute for Social and Economic Research, University of Essex, Colchester, UK: 2001 - 2002
- Social Policy Research Centre, University of New South Wales, January to July, 1998
- Economics Department, University of Sydney, January to July, 1998;
- CV Starr Centre, New York University, New York, November 1990.
- Department of Applied Economics; Cambridge University, August 1983- July 1984
 - occasional tutor, Clare College, Cambridge University, 1983-1984
 - Member of High Table, King's College, Cambridge University, 1983-1984

Assistant Professor, Economics Department, University of Western Ontario, 1975-1977 (Lecturer, 1973-74);
Teaching Assistant, (International Economics), Yale University, 1972-1973
Research Assistant, Queen's University, 1968; Researcher, Department of Finance, Ottawa, summer 1973.
Economist, Tanzania Sisal Corporation, Tanga, Tanzania, 1968-1970.
Economist, National Insurance Corporation, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, 1968.

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Prizes and Awards

Galbraith Prize, Progressive Economics Forum, May 2014
 Mike McCracken Award for Economic Statistics,
 Canadian Economics Association, May 2015
 Doug Purvis Memorial Prize for contribution to Canadian Economic Policy
 Canadian Economics Association, June 2019
 (awarded for *The Age of Increasing Inequality: The Astonishing Rise of
 Canada's 1%*)
 Fellow, Canadian Economics Association – appointed June 2020
 Lifetime Member, Atlantic Canada Economics Association, October 2022
 Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee Medal, January 2023

Courses Taught

Canadian Economic Policy Debates
 Inequality and Poverty
 Graduate Labour Economics
 Globalization and Economic Development: Current Debates
 Principles of Economics
 Introductory Econometrics
 MA/MDE Research Methods Seminar
 Honours Seminar
 Economic Development
 Undergraduate Labour Economics
 Collective Bargaining and Labour Market Policy
 Intermediate Macroeconomics
 Intermediate Microeconomics
 Public Finance
 Urban Economics

Current Research

- Inequality of Opportunity and Economic Insecurity
 - Measurement and Determinants of Economic Well Being, Poverty and Inequality -
 - Political Economy and Instability Implications of Increasing Inequality and Insecurity

PUBLICATIONS

BOOKS

Not Fair: Inequality of Opportunity in Canada University of Toronto Press, 2025, 257 pages

The Scandalous Rise of Inequality in Canada James Lorimer Publishers, Toronto, 2024, 286 pages

The Age of Increasing Inequality: The Astonishing Rise of Canada's 1% James Lorimer Publishers,
 Toronto, 2018, 248 pages

Principles of Microeconomics: Fourth Edition – 2012 McGraw-Hill Ryerson, Toronto - joint with
 Frank/Bernanke/Cross/MacLean (also 3 previous editions)

Principles of Macroeconomics: Fourth Edition – 2012 McGraw-Hill Ryerson, Toronto - joint with
 Frank/Bernanke/Cross/MacLean (also 3 previous editions)

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The Economic Implications of Social Cohesion (edited) University of Toronto Press, Toronto, 2003, 249 pages

Hard Money, Hard Times (edited with P. Fortin) James Lorimer Publishers, Toronto, 1998, 202 pages.

The Unemployment Crisis: All for Naught (edited with B. MacLean) McGill/Queen's University Press (1996)
251 pages.

Unnecessary Debts, (edited with P. Fortin), (ed.), James Lorimer Publishers, Toronto, 1996, 200 pages.

Vanishing Jobs: Canada's Changing Workplaces (with F. Wien and J. Grude), James Lorimer Publishers, Toronto (1995) 215 pages.

A Social Charter for Canada (edited with S. Phipps) C.D. Howe Institute, Toronto, February (1992).

Economic Inequality and Poverty: International Perspectives (editor) M.E. Sharpe Ltd. Armonk, New York (1991),
257 pages.

The Information Economy: the Implications of Unbalanced Growth (with W. Baumol & E.N. Wolff) Institute for
Research on Public Policy (1989), 114 pages.

Economic Inequality in the United States, M.E. Sharpe Ltd., Armonk, New York (1984), 288 pages.
- reprinted 2015 – Routledge Revivals, Routledge, New York and Oxford, 2015

Economic Inequality in Canada, Butterworth Publishing Co., Toronto (1981), 236 pages.

Special Issue on Economic Insecurity (guest editor) Review of Income and Wealth May 2014

Refereed Journal Articles

1. “Intergenerational Income Mobility and the Feelings of White People” with Barry Watson and Stephen Law
Revise and Resubmit 2026 Social Forces
2. “A Few People Make all the Difference – an International Comparison of “Fair” Pay Differentials” (2023) with
Insa Bechert International Journal of Sociology <https://doi.org/10.1080/00207659.2023.2274713>)
3. “Are Populists Insecure About Themselves or About Their Country? Political Attitudes and Economic
Perceptions”, with Barry Watson and Stephen Law, Social Indicators Research **159**, 667–705 (2022).
<https://doi.org/10.1007/s11205-021-02767-8>
4. “Blown Off-Course? Weight Gain Among the Economically Insecure During the Great Recession” with Angela
Daley, Nick Rohde and Barry Watson Journal of Economic Psychology **Volume 80**, October 2020, 102289
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.joep.2020.102289>
5. “Welfare-Based Income Insecurity in the US and Germany: Evidence from Harmonized Panel Data” with
Nicholas Rohde, Kam Ki Tang, Conchita D’Ambrosio and Prasada Rao Journal of Economic Behavior and
Organization, **Volume 176**, August 2020, Pages 226-243
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0167268120301426?dgcid=coauthor>
6. “The Shattered “Iron Rice Bowl”: Intergenerational Effects of Chinese State-Owned Enterprise Reform” with
Nancy Kong and Weina Zhou Journal of Health Economics **Volume 67**, September 2019, 102220
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0167629618309664>
7. “Unequal Opportunities and Public Policy: The Impact of Parental Disability Benefits on Child Post-Secondary
Attendance” with Kelly Chen and Shelley Phipps, **Volume 52**, No. 4 November 2019, Pages 1-32 Canadian
Journal of Economics <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/epdf/10.1111/caje.12408>

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8. "Can positive income anticipations reverse the mental health impacts of negative income anxieties?" with Barry Watson (2019) Economics and Human Biology Volume 35, December 2019, Pages 107-122
<https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S1570677X19300188>
9. "Job Insecurity and Mental Health in Canada" with Barry Watson Applied Economics, 50:38, 4137-4152, DOI: [10.1080/00036846.2018.1441516](https://doi.org/10.1080/00036846.2018.1441516) s published online February 21, 2018
10. "On the limitations of some current usages of the Gini Index" Review of Income and Wealth, Series 63, No. 3, September 2017, Pages 574 to 584, (published online 28 September 2016 DOI: [10.1111/roiw.12256](https://doi.org/10.1111/roiw.12256))
11. "Healing and/or Breaking? The Mental Health Implications of Repeated Economic Insecurity" with Barry Watson Social Science and Medicine Volume 188, September 2017, Pages 119-127
12. "Is It Vulnerability or Economic Insecurity that matters for Health?" with Nick Rohde, Prasada Rao and K.K. Tang Journal of Economic Behavior & Organization 2017, 134: 307-319
13. "The Self-Reinforcing Dynamics of Economic Insecurity and Obesity" with Nick Rohde and K.K.Tang Applied Economics 49:17 1668-1678, November, 2016, online version: DOI: [10.1080/00036846.2016.1223826](https://doi.org/10.1080/00036846.2016.1223826)
14. "How Accurately does 70% Final Earnings Replacement Measure Retirement Income (In)Adequacy? Introducing the Living Standards Replacement Rate (LSRR)" with Bonnie-Jeanne MacDonald and Kevin Moore ASTIN Bulletin - The Journal of the International Actuarial Association 2016, vol. 46, issue 03, pages 627-676
15. "Economic Insecurity and the Weight Gain of Canadian Adults: A Natural Experiment Approach" with Barry Watson and Shelley Phipps, Canadian Public Policy June 2016 Pp.115-131
16. "The Effect of Economic Insecurity on Mental Health: Recent Evidence from Australian Panel Data" with Nick Rohde, Prasada Rao and K.K. Tang (2016) Social Science & Medicine Vol.151, February 2016, Pp. 250-258
17. "Inter-generational effects of disability benefits: evidence from Canadian social assistance programs" with Kelly Chen and Shelley Phipps, Journal of Population Economics Volume 28, Number 4, October 2015, Pp. 873-910
18. "The Hunger of Old Women in rural Tanzania: Can subjective data improve poverty measurement?" Review of Income and Wealth Series 61, No. 4, December 2015, 723-738
19. "Economic Insecurity in Australia: Who is Feeling the Pinch and How?" With N. Rohde, K.K. Tang and P. Rao Economic Record, Vol.91,No. 292, March 2015, 1–15
20. "Canadian Retirement Incomes: How Much Do Financial Market Returns Matter?" with Bonnie-Jeanne Macdonald, Canadian Public Policy December 2014 Volume 40; Issue: 4, Pages 315-335
21. "Is all bullying the same?" with Kelly Chen and Shelley Phipps Archives of Public Health 2014 72:19.
22. "Measuring Economic Insecurity in Rich and Poor Nations" (with Andrew Sharpe) Review of Income and Wealth Vol. 60, pp. S53-S76, May, 2014
23. "Instability Implications of Increasing Inequality: Evidence from North America" Economic Modelling Volume 35, September 2013, Pages 918–930
24. "Demand or Supply for Schooling in Rural India?" (with Sripad Motiram) International Journal of Time Use Research Volume 9 Number 1 November 2012
25. "Gender Inequalities in Tasks and Instruction Opportunities within Indian Families" with Sripad Motiram Feminist Economics – Vol. 16(3), July 2010, 141–167
26. "Social Capital and Basic Goods: The Cautionary Tale of Drinking Water in India" with Sripad Motiram –, Economic Development and Cultural Change October 2010, Vol. 59, No. 1: pp. 63-94"
27. "Keeping in Touch: A Benefit of Public Holidays" with Joachim Merz, International Journal of Time Use Research September 2009, vol. 6 no. 1, pp. 130-66.
28. "The Growth of Poor Children in China 1991-2000: Why Food Subsidies May Matter" with Jiaping Shao and Kuan Xu, Health Economics, April 2009; Vol. 18 Suppl 1:S89-108.
29. "How Should We Measure Poverty in a Changing World? Methodological Issues and Chinese Case Study" with Kuan Xu, Review of Development Economics, 12(2), 419–441, 2008
30. "The Double-Edged Sword of Trade" with Tess Cyrus and Lynn Lethbridge Eastern Economic Journal. Vol. 33 No. 2 Spring 2007 Pp. 277-293
31. "Fair" Inequality? Attitudes to Pay Differentials: The United States in Comparative Perspective" with Tim Smeeding, American Sociological Review, Vol. 71 (450–473) June 2006
32. "Pulling Apart – The Growing Gulfs in Canadian Society" Policy Options, April-May 2006.

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33. *"Poverty and the Extent of Child Obesity in Canada, Norway and the United States"* (with Shelley Phipps, Peter Burton and Lynn Lethbridge) Obesity Reviews January 2006, Vol. 7, Pp5-12
34. *"Work and Well-being in an Aging Society"* Canadian Public Policy 31(4), December 2005, pp. 413-420
35. "Sampling variability: some observations from a labour supply equation." With Daniel V. Gordon, and Shelley Phipps, Applied Economics, October 2005, Vol. 37 Issue 18, pp. 2167-2175
36. "How should we measure the 'Economic' Aspects of Well-Being?" (with Andrew Sharpe) The Review of Income and Wealth Series 51, Number 2, June 2005 Pp. 311-336
37. "Measuring Obesity in Young Children" (with Shelley Phipps, Peter Burton and Lynn Lethbridge), Canadian Public Policy Vol. XXX, No. 4, December 2004, Pp. 1-16
38. "Evaluer l'Indice du bien-etre economique dans les pays de l'OCDE" Travail et Emploi, Janvier 2003 No. 93 Pp. 73-94
39. "Understanding Growth and Inequality Trends: The Role of Labour Supply in the US and Germany" Canadian Public Policy Vol. XXIX, Supplement January 2003, Pp. S163-S184
40. "Long Run Trends in Income Inequality in the USA, UK, Sweden, Germany and Canada - A Birth Cohort View" Eastern Economic Journal Vol. 29, No. 1 Winter 2003, Pp.121-142
41. "An Index of Economic Well-being" (with Andrew Sharpe) Indicators: The Journal of Social Health. Spring 2002, Vol. 1 No. 2, Pp. 24-62
42. "International Comparisons of Trends in Economic Well-Being" (with Andrew Sharpe) Social Indicators Research Vol. 58, Nos 1-3, June 2002, Pp. 349-382
43. "An Index of Economic Well-Being for Selected OECD Countries" (with Andrew Sharpe) The Review of Income and Wealth, Series 48, Number 3, September 2002 Pp. 291-316
44. "The Social Welfare Implications, Decomposability and Geometry of the Sen Family of Poverty Indices" (with Kuan Xu) Canadian Journal of Economics Volume 35, Number 1 (February 2002) Pages 138-152
45. "How to decompose the Sen-Shorrocks-Thon poverty index? A practitioner's guide" (With Kuan Xu), Journal of Income Distribution, Vol. 10 (1), Spring/Summer 2001, pp 77-94.
46. "Needs and Wants: What is Social Progress and How Should it be Measured?" The Review of Economic Performance and Social Progress Institute for Research on Public Policy and the Centre for the Study of Living Standards, June 2001, Pages 23-42
47. "Trends in Economic Well-Being in Canada in the 1990s" (with Andrew Sharpe) The Review of Economic Performance and Social Progress Institute for Research on Public Policy and the Centre for the Study of Living Standards, June 2001, Pages 233-246
48. "On Sen's Approach to Poverty Measures and Recent Developments" (with Kuan Xu) China Economic Quarterly (published in Chinese) Vol. 1, No. 1, October 2001, pages 151-170.
49. "Time as a Source of Inequality Within Families: Are Husbands more Satisfied with Time for Themselves than Wives?" (with Shelley Phipps and Peter Burton) Feminist Economics Volume 7(2), 2001, Pages 1-21
50. "Poverty in Canada and the USA: Measurement, Trends and Implications" Canadian Journal of Economics Vol.33, No.4, November, 2000 pp. 847-877
51. "How Much of Canada's Unemployment is "Structural"?" (with Z. Lin) Canadian Public Policy Vol. XXV No. 1, July 2000, pp. S141- S158
52. "International Comparisons of Poverty Intensity: Index Decomposition and Bootstrap Inference," (with Kuan Xu), Journal of Human Resources. Volume 35, Number 1, Winter 2000, pp. 51-81; errata corrected Volume 35, Number 3, Summer 2000
53. "Poverty Intensity - How Well Do Canadian Provinces Compare?" (with Kuan Xu), Canadian Public Policy, Vol. XXV, No. 2, June 1999, pp. 179-198.
54. "A Distribution-Free Test for Deprivation Dominance"(with Kuan Xu) Econometric Reviews, Vol. 17, No. 4, 1998, pp. 415-431.
55. "A Note on the link between Inflation and Output Variability in Canada" (with T. Iscan) Journal of Money, Credit and Banking. Vol. 30, No. 2, May 1998, pp. 261-272.
56. "How to Value the Poorer Prospects of Youth in the early 1990s?" (with Sadettin Erksay and Shelley Phipps) Review of Income and Wealth. Series 44, No.1, March 1998, pp. 43-62
57. "Economic Growth, Income Distribution and Economic Welfare in Canada 1975-1994,"North American Journal of Economics and Finance. Vol. 8, No. 2, 1997, pp. 153-166.

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58. "The Great Pyramids of Canada" *Scientific Correspondence*, Nature, p. 510, Vol. 384, Dec 12, 1996.
59. "The Equity/Efficiency Tradeoff in Retrospect" Canadian Business Economics, Vol. 3, No. 3, April-June Spring 1995, pp. 5-20.
60. "Concepts of Unemployment and the Structure of Employment" Economie Appliquée, Vol. XLVIII, No. 1, 1995, pp. 157-181.
61. "Predicting Probabilities: Inherent and Sampling Variability in the Estimation of Discrete-Choice Models" with D. Gordon, Z. Lin, and S. Phipps, Oxford Bulletin of Economics and Statistics, Vol. 56, No. 1, Feb. 1994, pp. 13-31.
62. "Inter-Regional Migration and Inter-Industry Labour Mobility in Canada: A Simultaneous Approach" (with D. Gordon and Z. Lin) Canadian Journal of Economics, Feb. 1994, Vol. XXVII, No. 1, pp. 58-80.
63. "Social Policy and Macro Policy in a Federal State," Canadian Business Economics Vol. 2, No. 1, Fall 1993, pp. 36-45.
64. "Labour Supply with Quantity Constraints: Results from a Large Sample of Canadian Workers" (with S. Phipps) Oxford Economic Papers, Volume 45, April, 1993, pp. 269-291.
65. "Fishing in Different Pools - Job Search Strategies and Job-Finding Success in Canada in the Early 1980's" Journal of Labour Economics, Volume 11, No. 2, April 1993, pp. 348-386.
66. "Is it Retirement or Unemployment? Induced retirement and constrained labour supply among older workers," Applied Economics (1993), Vol. 25, pp. 505-519.
67. "Searching for a Will O'the Wisp: an empirical study of the NAIRU in Canada," (with M. Setterfield and D. Gordon), European Economic Review, Vol. 36, January 1992, pp. 119-136.
68. "Unemployment and Inter-industry labour mobility in Canada in the 1980's," Applied Economics, Vol. 23, No. 11, November 1991, pp. 1707-1718.
69. "A Distinct Canada," Policy Options Politiques, Vol. 11, No. 4, May 1990.
70. "The 'Disappearance' of Involuntary Unemployment" Journal of Economic Issues, Sept. 1988. Vol. 22, No. 73, pp. 707-728.
71. "The Inequality of Wealth in Britain's North American Colonies: The Importance of the Relatively Poor" -- with F.K. Siddiq, Review of Income and Wealth, Series 34 No. 2, pp. 143-164, June 1988.
72. "Segmented Labour Markets and the Estimation of Wages Functions" Applied Economics, with R. Apostle & D. Clairmont, Vol. 19, No. 12, December 1987, pp. 1603-1624.
73. "The Impact of Hibernia," Newfoundland and Labrador Studies, Vol. 2, 2 (Fall 1986), pp. 241-53.
74. "Job Mobility, Wage Determination and Market Segmentation in the Presence of Sample Selectivity Bias," with L. Mazany, R. Apostle and D. Clairmont, Canadian Journal of Economics, May 1986, Vol. XIX, No. 2, pp. 319-346.
75. "The Incidence and Duration of Individual Unemployment: Supply-Side or Demand Side?" with R. Apostle and D. Clairmont, Cambridge Journal of Economics, March 1986, Vol. 10, No. 1, pp. 13-34.
76. "Economic Segmentation and Politics," R. Apostle, D. Clairmont & L. Osberg, American Journal of Sociology, Vol. 91, No. 4, January 1986, pp. 905-931.
77. "A Nation of Data Processors – Most Canadian Workers Produce Not Goods but Information," Perception, Vol. 14, No. 1, 1985, pp. 23-24.
78. "Segmentation and Labour Force Strategies," R. Apostle, D. Clairmont & L. Osberg, Canadian Journal of Sociology, Vol. 10, No. 3, 1985, pp. 253-275.
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80. "A Note on the Incomes of Lawyers," Relations Industrielles/Industrial Relations, Vol. 40, No. 4., 1985, pp. 865-879.
81. "Star Spangled Economics," Marxism Today, Vol. 28, No. 9, September 1984, pp.30-33.
82. "Unemployment Insurance: Insurance or Welfare: Reply," Canadian Public Policy Vol. V, No. 4, Fall 1979, pp. 559-560.
83. "Unemployment Insurance in Canada: A Review of the Recent Amendments," Canadian Public Policy, Vol. V, No. 2, Spring, 1979, pp. 223-235.
84. "Economic Determinants of Individual Charitable Donations in Canada" (with R.D. Hood and S.A. Martin) Canadian Journal of Economics, November 1977, pp. 653-699.

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Book Chapters

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2. "*Canada's Middle Class – Forever Further Behind?*" Pp. 98-128 in Inequality and Inclusive Growth in Rich Countries: Shared Challenges and Contrasting Fortunes Brian Nolan (editor) Oxford University Press, Oxford 2018
3. *Measuring Inequality* (with Nick Rohde) Pp. 42-55 in *How Unequal? Insights on Inequality* Committee for the Economic Development of Australia, Melbourne, 2018
4. "*How Much Can Income Tax on the Top 1 Percent Be Raised?*" Pp. 28-47 in *Inequality And The Future of Canadian Society Revised Proceedings of The First SD Clark Symposium On The Future Of Canadian Society*, © Robert Brym, editor, Rock's Mills Press, Oakville ON (2016)
5. "*What's So Bad about Increasing Inequality in Canada*" Pages 299-346 in *Income Inequality: The Canadian Story*, edited by David A. Green, W. Craig Riddell and France St-Hilaire. The Institute for Research on Public Policy, Montreal, 2016
6. "*Economic Insecurity: Empirical Findings*" Pp. 316-338 in *Handbook of Research on Economic and Social Well-Being*, edited by Conchita D'Ambrosio Edward Elgar, Cheltenham and Northampton, 2018
7. *Increasing Inequality* Pp. 67-78 in Unions Matter: Labour Rights and their Impact on Democracy, Economic Equality and Social Justice edited by Matthew Barends, Between the Lines Press, Toronto 2014
8. *The Impact of the Great Recession on Economic Well-being: How Different are OECD Nations and Why?* Pp.83-109 in David McDaid and Cary Cooper (ed) The Economics of Wellbeing: Wellbeing - a Complete Reference Guide Volume V Wiley-Blackwell, Oxford & New York 2014
9. *The Index of Economic Well-Being* , pp 3161-3163 in Michalos A.C. (Ed.). *Encyclopedia of Quality of Life and Well-Being Research*. Springer, Dordrecht, Netherlands: 2014; updated 2020
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12. "*Canada's declining social safety net: EI reform and the 2009 Budget*" (2010) Pages 249 – 272 in Charles Beach, Bev Dahlby and Paul Hobson (Editors) The 2009 Federal Budget, John Deutsch Institute for the Study of Economic Policy, Queen's University, Kingston, 2010

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16. “*Income Distribution and Social Expenditures*” (with Jonathan Schwabish and Timothy Smeeding) Pages 247-288 in Dmitri B. Papadimitriou (ed.) The Distributional Effects of Government Spending and Taxation, Palgrave MacMillan, New York, 2006.
17. “*How Much does Employment Matter for Inequality in Canada and Elsewhere?*” Pages 155 to 188 in D. Green and J. Kesselman (ed) Dimensions of Inequality in Canada, UBC Press, Vancouver 2006
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24. “*Income Distribution and Public Social Expenditure: Theories, Effects and Evidence*” (with Tim Smeeding and Jon Schwabisch), Pages 823 - 862 in Social Inequality, Kathryn Neckerman (Editor) Russell Sage Foundation, New York, 2004
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26. “*Economic and Social Aspects of Productivity: Linkages and Policy Implications*” Pp 761-787, Productivity Issues in Canada, Someshwar Rao & Andrew Sharpe (ed) University of Calgary Press 2002
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16. *Addressing Nova Scotia’s Fiscal Challenge A report prepared by the Nova Scotia Economic Advisory Panel For Premier Darrell Dexter* (with Elizabeth Beale, Tom O’Neil and Donald J. Savoie) Province of Nova Scotia November 2009
17. “Canada’s Declining Social Safety Net - The Case for EI Reform” Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives, Ottawa June 2009

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 - a. 38th IARIW General Conference 2024 Session 2C-2, August 27, 2024. London
 - b. Presented by Watson at 2024 conferences of Western Economics Association, Canadian Economics Association and Atlantic Canada Economics Association
2. “Inheritance Taxation in Canada” Canadian Economics Association, Toronto Metropolitan University, June 1, 2024
3. “Necessary but Not Sufficient: Full Employment & the macro context for less Inequality” Group of 78 Annual Policy Conference, University of Ottawa, Ottawa, September 27-28, 2019
4. “Trends in Economic Well-Being in Canada 1981 – 2017” Alexandria Stephens, Andrew Sharpe & Lars Osberg Centre for the Study of Living Standards, Rideau Club, Ottawa, September 12th, 2019
5. “The Measurement of Inequality” Keynote Address to 2019 Queensland Economics Winter School, Economic Society of Australia (Qld), O’Reilly’s Rainforest Retreat, Lamington National Park, July 1-3, 2019

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6. “Could “Equality of Opportunity” among Commoners Suffice?”
 - Keynote address to Inequality of Opportunity Conference, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia, June 26-27, 2019
 - Center for Wealth and Inequality (CWI) Seminar Series, Columbia University, November 14, 2019
7. “Financialization and Inequality” “10 Years After the Crisis - modelling meets policy making” Workshop organized by Fields Institute and New Approaches to Economic Challenges (NAEC) of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD Fields Institute, Toronto, January 15/16, 2019
8. “Full Employment in Canada in the early 21st Century” Policy Research Workshop, Canadian Labour Congress, Ottawa, April 8/9, 2019, Ottawa
9. [“Gender Bias Within Chinese Families—Who Eats First in Tough Times?”](#) with Nancy Kong – Poster session August 22 presented by Kong [IARIW 35th General Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, August 20-25, 2018](#)
10. [“Blown Off-Course? Unhealthy Vices of the Economically Insecure During the Great Recession”](#) with Barry Watson, Angela Daley and Nicholas Rodhe – presented by Watson and Rohde Session 6E August 23 [IARIW 35th General Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, August 20-25, 2018](#)
11. “Economic Insecurity: Health implications”
 - Department of Economics, Queensland University of Technology, Brisbane, June 24, 2019
 - Department of Economics, Dalhousie University, Halifax, January 11, 2019
 - Department of Economics, Acadia University, Wolfville, October 25, 2018.
 - Departament d’Economica Aplicada, Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona, Barcelona, June 6, 2018
 - Department of Social Policy, London School of Economics and Political Science, London, May 16, 2018
 - Institute for New Economic Thinking, University of Oxford, May 3, 2018
12. “Social values for equality and preferences for state intervention: Is the USA “Exceptional?”” with Insa Bechert ECINEQ 2017 – New York, July 17, 2017
13. “Industrialization Led Growth in Tanzania: Running with Two Legs in the 21st Century?”
 - “Why Institutions Matter for Industrialization-Led Development”, 22nd Annual Research Workshop, Research on Poverty Alleviation (REPOA), March 27-28, 2017, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania.
 - Canadian Economics Association, Antigonish, June 3, 2017
14. “Canada’s Middle Class – Forever Further Behind?”
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15. Panel on Indigenous Issues: Truth (Data) and Reconciliation (Policy) Atlantic Canada Economics Association, Sackville, October 22, 2016
16. *How Much does Commodity Price Volatility matter for Economic Well-Being in Rich Countries?* with Andrew Sharpe, Jasmin Thomas and Alex Murray, Paper presented at IARIW 34th General Conference, Dresden, Germany, August 23, 2016
17. *How Much do Changing Terms of Trade matter for Economic Well-Being in Canada?* with Andrew Sharpe & Jasmin Thomas, Canadian Economics Association, Ottawa, June 3, 2016
18. *Economic Insecurity and the Weight Gain of Canadian Adults: A Natural Experiment Approach:* Barry Watson Lars Osberg & Shelley Phipps (presented by Watson), Canadian Economics Association, Ottawa, June 2, 2016
19. *Unequal Opportunities and Public Policy: The Impact of Parental Disability Benefits on Child Post-Secondary Attendance,* Kelly Chen, Lars Osberg and Shelley Phipps (presented by Chen), Canadian Economics Association, Ottawa, June 2, 2016
20. *Poverty in Nova Scotia: Money does Matter*
 - United Way Halifax Poverty Summit Halifax, May 31, 2016
 - Canadian Mental Health Association Annual Meeting June 22, 2016
21. *Economic Insecurity and the Optimal Aggregation of Information: Composite Indices vs. Integrated Measures* High-Level Conference on Economic Insecurity, OECD/Ford Foundation New York , March 4, 2016
22. *How Much Income Tax could Canada’s Top 1% pay?*
 - Canadian Economics Association, Toronto May 29th 2015
 - Atlantic Canada Economics Association, Wolfville, Nova Scotia, October 23, 2015
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23. *Poverty & inequality: The link is \$\$\$\$\$* Canadian Economics Association, Toronto, May 30, 2015
24. *"The Commodity Boom and its Impact on Atlantic Canada"*?????? Plenary session, Atlantic Canada Economics Association, Truro, October 17, 2014
25. *Is it Vulnerability or Economic Insecurity that Matters for Health?* With Nicholas Rohde, Kam Ki Tang and Prasada Rao IARIW 33rd General Conference Rotterdam, August 28, 2015
26. *LOOKING FORWARD: SOCIAL SECURITY IN AN ERA OF AGEING, INEQUALITY and INSTABILITY* 21ST INTERNATIONAL RESEARCH SEMINAR ON ISSUES IN SOCIAL SECURITY JUNE 3, 2014; FISS – Foundation for International Studies on Social Security, SIGTUNA, SWEDEN. TCO (The Swedish Confederation for Professional Employees) Stockholm, June 4, 2014
27. *Canadian Inequality, Then and Now: Can Increasing Inequality be a Steady State?*
 - Galbraith Lecture, Progressive Economics Forum, Canadian Economics Association, Vancouver, May 31, 2014
 - Centre for the Study of Living Standards, Seminar Series on Living Standards – Ottawa, 15/9/2014
28. *Can Increasing Inequality be a Steady State?*
 - New Approaches to Economic Challenges (NAEC) Seminar OECD, Paris, April 3, 2014
 - Trade Union Advisory Council (TUAC) Plenary Seminar OECD, Paris May 5, 2014
 - Economics Department, University of Lueneberg, June 10, 2014
 - Economics Department, Memorial University of Newfoundland, St. John's, November 14, 2014
29. *What's so bad about more inequality?*
 - Center for Wealth and Inequality Workshop, Columbia University, New York, October 3, 2013
 - Social Policy Research Centre, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia November 11, 2013
 - Keynote Address to ACADEMY OF THE SOCIAL SCIENCES IN AUSTRALIA – 2013 ANNUAL SYMPOSIUM *Levelling the Spirit: Addressing the Social Impacts of Economic Inequality*, Canberra, Australia November 12, 2013.
 - Economics Department, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia, February 21, 2014
 - Economics Department, Griffith University, Gold Coast, Australia, February 28, 2014
 - Economics Department, National University of Ireland, Galway, Ireland, March 14, 2014
30. *Unionization & Inequality: Trends in Canada* Labour Rights and their Impact on Democracy, Economic Equality and Social Justice, International Conference, Toronto, March 26-28, 2013
31. *The Impact of the Great Recession on Economic Well-being: How Different are OECD Nations and Why?* With Andrew Sharpe 32nd IARIW General Conference, Boston, USA, August 7, 2012
32. *"Beyond GDP: Measuring Economic Well-being in Canada and the Provinces, 1981-2010"* With Andrew Sharpe
33. A CELEBRATION OF STATISTICS CANADA AND BETTER DECISION MAKING THROUGH DATA March 30-31, 2012, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada
34. *Measuring Economic Insecurity in Rich and Poor Nations*
 - OECD/IARIW CONFERENCE ON ECONOMIC SECURITY November 22-23, 2011, Paris, France.
 - Canadian Economics Association, Calgary, Alberta June 9, 2012
 - EPAP workshop on Poverty, Inequality and Economic Development, Griffith University, Brisbane Australia, 12th July 2012
 - Economics Department, University of Regina, April 11, 2013
35. *Instability Implications of Increasing Inequality: What can be learned from North America?*
 - Conference On Economic And Social Inequalities: Causes, Implications And Remedies, Centro Congressi Cariplo, Milan, Italy, October 27-28, 2011.
 - Conference on Policy Choices: Austerity, Inequality, Or Full Employment? March 23-24, 2012 Laurentian University, Sudbury Ontario
 - Economics Department, University of Queensland, Brisbane Australia, 13th July 2012
 - Public Lecture: Johnson-Shoyama School of Public Policy, University of Regina, April 10, 2013
36. *The Hunger of Old Women: How sensitive are poverty measures?* With Thadeus Mboghoina - Canadian Economics Association, Ottawa, Canada June 4, 2011.

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37. *Why has Unemployment Disappeared from Official Macro-Economic Policy Discourse in Canada?* Workshop for Festschrift in Honour of Ian Stewart, Centre for the Study of Living Standards, April 20-21, 2011, Ottawa
38. *Measuring Economic Insecurity and Vulnerability as part of Economic Well-being: Concepts and Context* 31st General Conference of IARIW August 27, 2010 St-Gallen, Switzerland
39. *Measuring Poverty and Vulnerability: A Survey* – two lectures at Indira Ghandi Institute for Development Research, Mumbai, India June 22 & 23, 2010
40. *Social Protection of the Elderly in Tanzania: Current Realities and Future Implications*, presented at REPOA 15th Annual Research Workshop, Dar es Salaam, March 18-19, 2010
41. *Poverty and Recessions: Canada's Vulnerable in Tough Times* - Council of the Federation Symposium on Labour Force Participation, St. John's, Newfoundland, June 23, 2009
42. *"Economic Insecurity in the IEWB"* – Centre for the Study of Living Standards, Rideau Club, Ottawa, June 16, 2009
43. *"Canada's declining social safety net: EI reform and the 2009 Budget"* Conference: The 2009 Federal Budget: Challenge, Response and Retrospect John Deutsch Institute May 7-8, 2009 - Queen's University
44. *"New Perspectives on the Economic Security Component of the Index of Economic Well-Being"* Canadian Economics Association 43rd Annual Conference – Toronto May 31, 2009
45. *"Current Macro-Economic Conditions"* -Symposium on *"The Path to Economic Recovery?"* Atlantic Provinces Economic Council Halifax, February 3, 2009
Canadian Union of Public Employees – Regional Representatives Meeting, Dartmouth February 17, 2009

Discussant and other Participation (since 2009)

1. Discussant of "The Robots are Coming for Our Jobs: Technological Anxiety, Economic Insecurity, and Political Preferences in Latin America" Joaquin Prieto and Noam Titelman 38th IARIW General Conference August 27, 2024
2. Discussant of "Has the recent surge in immigration in Canada affected productivity?" Dr Tim Sargent Canadian Economics Association, Toronto, June 1, 2024
3. Chair, Program Committee, Atlantic Canada Economics Association, 48th Annual Conference October 14-16, 2022
4. Chair, Program Committee, IARIW [Tanzania National Bureau of Statistics \(TNBS\)](#), "Measuring Income, Wealth and Well-being in Africa" in Arusha, Tanzania **November 11-13, 2022**
- Discussant, Session Chair and Wrap-Up Panel
5. Panel Discussion: Canada Post Pandemic and Implications of COVID-19 Atlantic Canada Economics Association's Virtual Mini-Conference, October 15, 2021
6. Discussant: "The Decline of African-American and Hispanic Wealth since the Great Recession" by Edward N. Wolff, 35th IARIW General Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, August 24, 2018
7. Discussant: "Another Look at whether the Rich Save More: Evidence from a Survey Experiment" by Mike Brewer, John Burton, Thomas Crossley, Paul Fisher, Annette Jaeckle, Alessandra Gaia and Joachim Winter 35th IARIW General Conference, Copenhagen, Denmark, August 24, 2018
8. Discussant: Sessions 2B and 5A and Wrap-up Panel *IARIW-Bank of Korea Conference "Beyond GDP: Past Experiences and Future Challenges in the Measurement of Economic Well-being," Seoul, Korea, April 26-28, 2017*
9. Discussant: "World Development Report 2017" and Wrap-up Panel "Why Institutions Matter for Industrialization-Led Development", 22nd Annual Research Workshop, Research on Poverty Alleviation (REPOA), March 27-28, 2017, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=coyZm_DaUyM
10. Discussant, Labour Market Insecurity in Canada: a look at provincial level trends; Iglia Ivanova and Kaylie Tiessen, Canadian Economics Association, Ottawa June 2016
11. Discussant, European Commission /OECD seminar on Job Quality, Labour Market Performance and Well-being, Brussels, November 27-28, 2014\

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12. Member, Research Advisory Committee, Poverty Action Research Project, Assembly of First Nations/ SSHRC, Montreal, June 11-13, 2013
13. Member, Nova Scotia Economic Forecast Challenge and Review, Department of Finance, Nova Scotia, February 14, 2013
14. Member, Economic Advisory Group Nova Scotia Commission on Building our New Economy, February 7, March 20, 2013
15. Discussant – papers by Pestel and Nandi/Platt, Session 6C “Gender and Well-Being I”, 32nd General Conference of IARIW August 9th, 2012 Boston, Mass.
16. Chair – session on development economics Canadian Economics Association, Calgary, June , 2012
17. Standing Committee on Human Resources, Skills and Social Development and the Status of Persons with Disabilities (HUMA) “Fixing the Skills Gap: Addressing Existing Labour Shortages in High Demand Occupations” and “Understanding Labour Shortages: Addressing Barriers to Filling Low-Skilled Jobs” May 1, 2012, Halifax,
18. Minister’s Conference on Fiscal and Economic Policy, Department of Finance, Nova Scotia, Waegwoltic Club, Halifax, Dec. 8, 2011
19. Economic Forum on the cost benefits of public funding for early childhood programs. June 22, 2011, OISE, Toronto.
20. Chair – sessions on poverty measurement and development economics Annual Conference of the Canadian Economics Association, Ottawa, June 3 and 4, 2011.
21. Human Capital Future Trend Scanning External Panel; Policy and Delivery Division of the Ontario Cabinet Office, Monday, September 27, 2010
22. Discussant – papers by Berenger and Bresson and by Ceriani and Gigliarano, Session 6D “Poverty and Deprivation” , 31st General Conference of IARIW August 27, 2010 St-Gallen, Switzerland
23. Minister of Finance’s Fourth Annual Summer Policy Retreat, August 10-11, 2010 Wakefield, Quebec
24. OECD Experts Meeting “Latin American Economic Outlook 2011 - Middle Class and Development in Latin America” , OECD Paris, 26th and 27th April 2010.
25. Member, Nova Scotia Economic Advisory Panel for Premier Darrell Dexter, Province of Nova Scotia, August to November 2009
26. Oxford Poverty & Human Development Initiative “Workshop on Robustness Methods for Multidimensional Welfare Analysis”, 5-6 May 2009
27. “Make Poverty History” Advisory Committee, Assembly of First Nations, Calgary, July 19-20, 2009

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PhD. Chul Kyoo (Joseph) Jung “Three Essays on Industrial Policy, Income Distribution Dynamics, and Economic Development – A Case Study of South Korea” 2023

PhD. Paola Benaras “Women and Children First: Intimate Partner Violence, Children's Well-being & Child Labour in Ecuador” 2021

PhD. Nancy Kong “Three Essays on Economic Insecurity and Child Development” 2017

PhD: Barry Watson , “Exploring the relationship between economic insecurity and health outcomes” 2015

PhD Kelly Chen “Three Essays on Parental Health and Children’s Outcomes” 2012

Ph.D. Lihui Zhang “Three Essays on Crime among Children and Youth” 2009

Ph.D. Nina Ahmed, “Two Essays on the Well-Being of Children” 2002

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- Ph.D. Vera Brusentsev, "A Comparison of the Labour Force Participation of Married Women in Three Countries: Australia, Canada and the United States of America," 1999.
- Ph.D. Mary Kilfoil, "Two Essays Examining the Impact on Married Couples Earnings Distributions of Standardizing for Differences in Hours Worked," 1998.
- Ph.D. Fiona McPhail, "Three Essays on Trends in Poverty and Inequality in Canada," 1996.
- Ph.D. Kwabia Boateng, "A Comparative Analysis of Labour Supply Behaviour Among the Immigrant and Canadian-born Population in the Light of the Immigrant Selectivity Hypothesis," 1993.
- Ph.D., Zhengxi Lin, "Three Essays on Inter-temporal Labour Supply," 1992.
- Ph.D., Sadettin Erksyoy, "The Distributional Effects of Disinflation and Unemployment in Canada, 1981-1987," 1992.
- Ph.D., Victor Ketso, "Work and the Welfare Costs of Unemployment," 1988.
- Ph.D., Fazley K. Siddiq, "The Distribution of Personal Wealth in Nova Scotia, 1871 and 1899," 1986.
- Ph.D., John Baffoe-Bonnie, "Family Labour Supply in a Life-Cycle Setting and Labour Market Segmentation," 1985.
- Ph.D., Jose W. Rossi, "Two Essays on Income Distribution in Brazil," 1979.
- M.D.E. Reshma Joseph "Gender Gap And Intergenerational Differences In Leisure Time In South India: Evidence From Indian Time Use Survey 2019" 2026
- M.A. Ambrose Ogwang "The immediate effect of the Corona Virus pandemic on wellbeing in Uganda" 2024
- M.A. Nyasha Patience Mandeya "Analyzing the impact of Income Inequality on Mortality Inequality" 2020
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