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Education:

B.A. (summa cum laude), Claremont Men's College, June 1951
M.A. (economics), University of Chicago, June 1953
Ph.D. (economics), University of Chicago, June 1960

Fields of Specialization: Labor economics and economics education

Academic Positions:

Assistant Professor of Economics, Princeton University, September 1960 to June 1964; Research Associate, Industrial Relations Section, February 1962 to June 1964

Assistant Professor of Economics, Vanderbilt University, September 1964 to June 1965; Associate Professor, June 1965 to August 1970; Professor of Economics, September 1970 to June 2000; Professor of Economics, Emeritus, June 30, 2000 to date

Visiting Research Associate, Woodrow Wilson School, Princeton University, Spring Term 1966

Visiting Research Economist, Industrial Relations Section, Princeton University, February 1967 to January 1968

Visiting Senior Research Economist, Princeton University, Spring Term, 1971

Fellowships and Research Grants:

Harry A. Millis Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1951-52
University Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1952-53
Ford Foundation Fellowship, University of Chicago, 1958-59
U.S. Department of Labor Research Grant, Fall Term 1967
National Science Foundation Research Grant, February 1971 to August 1973
Co-recipient, National Institute of Mental Health Research Grant, July 1980 to July 1983

Principal investigator, U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services Research Grant, July 1984 through July 1986.

Co-recipient with John J. Siegfried, Wendy Stock, and W. Lee Hansen, Ford Foundation Grant to the A.E.A. for study of Ph.D. Education in Economics in the U.S., July 2002 to June 2005. Grant extended by Ford until December 31, 2007.

Co-recipient with John J. Siegfried and Wendy Stock, Spencer Foundation Grant to the A.E.A., The Ph.D. Production Process in Economics, July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2010.

Military Service:

Served on active duty in the Supply Corps of the U.S. Naval Reserve from June 1954 to June 1957

Awards and Honors:

Lawrence R. Klein Award for an article in the Monthly Labor Review, February 1972.

Ellen Gregg Ingalls Award for Excellence in Classroom Teaching (Vanderbilt University), 1975.

Listed in Who's Who in Economics, first three editions (name misspelled in 2nd edition)

Co-recipient with Richard V. Burkhauser of the Raymond Vernon Prize for the best article in the Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, 1989.

Elected alumni member, Phi Beta Kappa, Claremont McKenna College, May 1990.

The Chancellor's Cup (Vanderbilt University), 1996.

Administrative Service at Vanderbilt:

Member, Faculty Council, College of Arts and Science, September 1969 to May 1972;
Elected Member, 1982-83 and 1983-84 academic years.

Member, Committee on Student Participation in College Policy-Making, October-December 1969.

Chair, Student Publications Board, September 1968 to May 1972 (except Spring term, 1971); Member, January 1968 to May 1974.

Member, Curriculum Committee, College of Arts and Science, 1971-72 academic year.

Member, Vanderbilt-in-England Committee, September 1975 to May 1977.

Director of Graduate Studies, Department of Economics, August 1971 to August 1974;
June - December, 1977; January - July, 1980.

Chair, Study Committee on Ph.D. Requirements in Economics, 1971-72 academic year.

- Member, Officer Education Advisory Committee, September 1972 to June 1976.
- Chair, Department of Economics and Business Administration, December 1974 to August 1977.
- Member, Academic Standards Committee, September 1979 to June 1981.
Placement Officer, Graduate Program in Economics, June 1977 to December 1978, June - December 1979.
- Member, Ad Hoc Committee to Consider the Need for a College Grievance Procedure, Spring semester, 1980.
- Chair, Subcommittee on American Studies (Committee to Review the Distribution Program), Spring semester, 1980.
- Chair, Departmental Faculty Search Committee, 1980-81, 1981-82, 1982-83, and 1983-84 academic years.
- Member, Departmental Faculty Search Committee, 1984-85, 1986-87 and 1987-88 academic years.
- Member, College Admissions Committee, 1982-83 academic year.
- Chair, College Admissions Committee, 1983-84 academic year.
- Freshman Adviser, 1984-85 and 1985-86 academic years.
- Chair or co-chair, David Steine Memorial Lecture Committee, August 1985 to May 2000.
- Director of Undergraduate Studies in Economics and Business Administration and Chair, Committee on Undergraduate Studies, August 1987 to August 1996; Member, Committee on Undergraduate Studies, Fall 1997 to May 2000.
- Member, Board of Advisers to the Honor Council, April 1988 to May 1990.
- Pre-MBA Adviser (academic year), Fall 1992 to May 1996.
- Co-chair, Arts and Science Nominating Committee for the Andersen Consulting Scholarship (awarded annually), April 1988 to May 1996.
- Member, College Program Committee, 1981-82, 1987-88, 1989-90 academic years.
- Chair, College Program Committee, 1990-91, 1991-92, and 1992-93 academic years and Spring semester, 1994.
- Member, College Administrative Committee, Fall term, 1993; 1994-95 and 1995-96 academic years; Fall term 1997, and 1998-99 and 1999-2000 academic years.
- Member, Social Science Committee of the University Research Council, Spring term, 1994.

Member, Community Affairs Board, 1997-98 academic year

Member, Dean's Advisory Committee, 1998-99 Distinguished Chair for German Studies,
Fall term 1997.

Book and Monographs

With William G. Bowen, The Economics of Labor Force Participation (Princeton University Press, 1969, pp. xxvi + 897).

The Measurement, Behavior, and Classification of Discouraged Workers, Background Paper No. 12 for the National Commission for Employment and Unemployment Statistics, June 1978, pp. vii + 78. Reprinted in same commission's Concepts and Data Needs, 1979, pp. 194-235.

With Frank A. Sloan, Moving Up and Down the Wage Ladder, HHS/ASPE Research Grant 84ASPE116A, "Trends in Low-Wage Labor Markets," July 1986, pp. ii + 114.

Articles and Comments

"The Backward-Sloping Supply Curve," Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Vol. 15 (January 1962), pp. 230-234.

"Hours of Work in the United States: A Cross-Sectional Analysis," Journal of Political Economy, Vol. 70 (October 1962), pp. 452-470.

"The Work Experience of Men in the Labor Force: An Occupational Study," Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Vol. 17, No. 2 (January 1964), pp. 238-256.

"Can a Case be Made for Discouraging Overtime?" Challenge, April 1964, pp. 7-10. Reprinted in William G. Bowen (editor), Labor and the National Economy, pp. 170-177.

With William G. Bowen, "Educational Attainment and Labor Force Participation," American Economic Review, Vol. 56, No. 2 (May 1966), pp. 567-582.

"Measures of Manpower: Discussion" in Proceedings of the Social Statistics Section of the American Statistical Association, 1967 (March 1968), pp. 132-133. (This discussion also appeared in the Industrial Relations Research Association, Proceedings of the Twentieth Annual Meeting (December 1967), pp. 292-295.)

"Labor Force Growth and the Return to Full Employment," Monthly Labor Review, Vol. 95, February 1972, pp. 29-39.

"Improving Our Information on Discouraged Workers," Monthly Labor Review, Vol. 101, September 1978, pp. 15-25. (Reprinted in Richard L. Rowan, editor, Readings in Labor Economics and Labor Relations, 4th edition, 1980, pp. 29-39.)

- "Should Discouraged Workers Be Counted as Unemployed?" Challenge, November/December 1978, pp. 20-25.
- "Discouraged Workers and Economic Fluctuations," Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Vol. 35 (October 1981), pp. 88-102.
- With Richard V. Burkhauser, "The Minimum Wage and the Poor: The End of a Relationship," Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Vol. 8 (Winter 1989), pp. 53-71. Summary of findings in "The Minimal Case for the Minimum Wage," Regulation (1987, Nos. 3/4), pp. 6-8.
- With Richard V. Burkhauser, "The Minimum Wage: A Broken Connection," Across the Board, September 1988, pp. 53-55.
- With Robert A. Margo, "The Decline in Black Teenage Labor Force Participation in the South, 1900-1970: The Role of Schooling," American Economic Review, Vol. 83 (March 1993), pp. 234-247.
- With Richard V. Burkhauser, "The Economics of Minimum Wage Legislation Revisited," The Cato Journal, Vol. 13 (Spring/Summer 1993), pp. 123-129.
- With Robert A. Margo, "Work Relief and the Labor Force Participation of Married Women in 1940," Journal of Economic History, Vol. 54 (March 1994), pp. 64-84.
- With J. S. Butler and John J. Siegfried, "Does More Calculus Improve Student Learning in Intermediate Micro and Macro Economic Theory?" American Economic Review, Vol. 84, No. 2 (May 1994), pp. 206-210. A longer version of the same paper appears in the Journal of Applied Econometrics, Vol. 13, No. 2 (March-April 1998), pp. 187-202.
- With Robert A. Margo, "Compulsory Schooling Legislation and School Attendance in Turn-of-the-Century America: A 'Natural Experiment' Approach," Economic Letters, No. 53 (1996), pp. 103-110.
- With John J. Siegfried, "Do Introductory Economics Students Learn More If Their Instructor has a Ph.D.?" The American Economist, Vol. 42, No. 2 (Fall 1998), pp. 34-46.
- With John J. Siegfried, "Are Student Ratings of Teaching Effectiveness Influenced by Instructors' English Language Proficiency?" The American Economist, Vol. 44, No.2 (Fall 2000), pp. 17-29.
- With Robert A. Margo, "The Great Compression of the 1940s: The Public versus the Private Sector," Explorations in Economic History, Vol. 39, No. 2 (April 2002), pp. 183-203.
- With John J. Siegfried and Wendy A. Stock, "Matriculation in U.S. Economics Ph.D. Programs: How Many Accepted Americans Do Not Enroll?" American Economic Review, Vol. 96, No. 2 (May 2006), pp. 453-457.
- With John J. Siegfried and Wendy A. Stock, "Attrition in Economics Ph.D. Programs," American Economic Review, Vol. 96, No. 2 (May 2006), pp. 458-466.

With Roberto V. Penaloza and Mototsugu Shintani, “Reassessing Cyclical Changes in Workers’ Labor Market Status: Gross Flows and the Types of Workers Who Determine Them,” Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Vol. 61, No. 2 (January 2008), pp. 244-257.

With Wendy Stock and John J. Siegfried, “Completing an Economics Ph.D. in Five Years,” American Economic Review, May 2009, forthcoming.

With Wendy Stock and John J. Siegfried, “Can You Earn a Ph.D. in Economics in Five Years?” Economics Education Review, forthcoming

Chapters in Edited Volumes

With William G. Bowen, “Labor Force Participation and Unemployment,” in Arthur M. Ross (editor), Employment Policy and the Labor Market (Berkeley: University of California Press, 1965), pp. 115-161. (Concluding section reprinted in Ray Marshall and Richard Perlman, eds., An Anthology of Labor Economics [New York: John Wiley & Sons, 1972], pp. 257-263.)

With William G. Bowen, “Labor Force Participation and Unemployment: Discussion,” in R. A. and M. S. Gordon (editors), Prosperity and Unemployment (New York: John Wiley, 1966), pp. 113-121.

Articles on “Labor Force” and “Labor Force Participation” in Economics 73/74 Encyclopedia (Dushkin Pub. Group, 1973), pp. 129-130.

“Participation of Married Women in the Labor Force” in Cynthia B. Lloyd (editor), Sex, Discrimination, and the Division of Labor (Columbia University Press, 1975), pp. 27-60.

Discussion of “Evaluating the Macroeconomic Effects of Public Employment Programs” by George E. Johnson, in Orley Ashenfelter (editor), Evaluating the Labor Market Effects of Social Programs, (Industrial Relations Section, Princeton University, 1976), pp. 124-132.

Discussion of “Hours of Work in the Long Run: Trends, Explanations, Scenarios, and Implications” by John D. Owen in National Commission for Manpower Policy, Work Time and Employment (Special Report No. 28, October 1978), pp. 65-71.

Discussion of “The Economic Determinants of Geographic and Individual Variation in the Labor Market Position of Young Persons” by Richard Freeman, in Richard Freeman and David Wise (editors), The Youth Employment Problem: Its Nature, Causes, and Consequences (National Bureau of Economic Research, 1982), pp. 148-154.

Book Reviews

Robert L. Bunting, Employer Concentration in Local Labor Markets, in Industrial and Labor Relations Review, Vol. 16 (July 1963), pp. 619-621.

Dale L. Hiestand, Economic Growth and Employment Opportunities for Minorities, in The Southern Economic Journal, Vol. 32 (October 1965), pp. 233-235.

Glen G. Cain, Married Women in the Labor Force, in The American Economic Review, Vol. 57 (September 1967), pp. 977-979.

Walter Franke and Irvin Sobel, The Shortage of Skilled and Technical Workers in The Journal of Economic Literature, Vol. 10 (March 1972), pp. 107-108.

James A. Sweet, Women in the Labor Force, in The Journal of Human Resources, Vol. 9 (Summer 1974), pp. 425-428.

Current Research:

Attrition and completion rates in U.S. doctoral programs in economics (with John J. Siegfried and Wendy Stock).

Professional Activities:

Member, American Economic Association, 1960 to date.

Member, Board of Editors, Southern Economic Journal, September 1968 to December 1970.

Organized session on "Discrimination in the Labor Market" for 1971 Meeting of the Southern Economic Association.

Served as discussant at the Annual Meetings of the Southern Economic Association in 1966, 1969, 1973, 1976, 1978.

Organized and chaired session on "Studies in Human Capital" at the 1973 Meeting of the Southern Economic Association.

Elected Member of the Executive Board, Southern Economic Association, November 1972 to November 1974.

Discussant, Princeton University Conference on "The Labor-Market Effects of Social Programs" held on May 2-3, 1974.

Manuscript referee for the Journal of Human Resources, the Industrial and Labor Relations Review, the Southern Economic Journal, and the Journal of Economic Education.

Vice President, Southern Economic Association, 1978.

Consultant, National Commission on Employment and Unemployment Statistics, October 1977 to June 1978.

Discussant, Conference on “Work Time and Employment” sponsored by the National Commission for Manpower Policy, held on October 6-7, 1978.

Discussant, Conference on “The Youth Employment Problem” sponsored by the National Bureau of Economic Research and held at Arlie House, Virginia, May 17-18, 1979.

Chaired session on “Studies of the Economics Profession: Co-Authorship of Articles, Obsolescence of Knowledge, and Investment in Graduate Education” at the 1982 meeting of the American Economic Association.

Member, AEA Nominating Committee for 1983.

Invited Participant, NBER Conference on “The Economics of Trade Unions,” Cambridge, Mass., May 6 and 7, 1983.

Co-author with Richard V. Burkhauser of paper on “Changes in the Well-Being of Minimum Wage Workers: A 50-Year Retrospective,” presented by Richard V. Burkhauser at the Tenth Annual Research Conference of the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Seattle, Wash., October 29, 1988.

Presented seminar on “The Target Efficiency of the Minimum Wage” at the U.S. Air Force Academy, Colorado Springs, Colorado, April 19, 1991.

Co-author with Robert A. Margo of “The Decline in Black Teenage Labor Force Participation in the South, 1900-1970: The Role of Schooling,” a paper presented at the meeting of the Cliometric Society of the Allied Social Science Association, New Orleans, LA, January 5, 1992.

Co-author with J. S. Butler and John J. Siegfried of “Does More Calculus Improve Student Learning in Intermediate Micro and Macro Economic Theory?” a paper presented at the annual meetings of the American Economic Association, Boston, MA, January 3, 1994.

Chaired panel discussion on “Player-Management Relations in Professional Team Sports” and selected participants for a panel discussion on “Economic Effects of a Higher Minimum Wage” at the annual meeting of the Southern Economic Association, November 18-20, 1995.

Discussant, “Research on Student Performance in Economics Courses,” sponsored by the National Council on Economic Education and the National Association of

Economic Educators and presented at the January 2000 meetings of the Allied Social Science Association in Boston, MA.

Invited Participant, Research Projects Conference, AEA Committee on Economic Education, May 19-21, 2000 in San Antonio, TX.

Chair, session on “Labor Relations” at a Conference on Baseball Economics at Vanderbilt University, February 21, 2003.

Chair, session on “The Labor Market for New Ph.D. Economists” at the annual meeting of the American Economic Association, January 2004.

Co-author with John Siegfried and Wendy Stock of “Attrition in Economics Ph. D. Programs,” presented by John Siegfried and Wendy Stock at NBER Conference on Higher Education, Cambridge, MA, November 17, 2005. Same paper was presented by Wendy Stock at the annual meeting of the American Economic Association in a session on “Research on Ph. D. Programs in Economics,” Boston, MA, January 6, 2006.

Co-author with John Siegfried and Wendy Stock of “Matriculation in U.S. Economics Ph. D. Programs: How Many Accepted Americans Do Not Enroll?” presented by me at the annual meeting of the American Economic Association in a session on “Research on Ph. D. Programs in Economics,” Boston, MA, January 6, 2006.

Co-author with John J. Siegfried and Wendy Stock of “Completing an Economics Ph.D. in Five Years,” presented by Wendy Stock at the annual meeting of the American Economic Association, San Francisco, CA, January 3, 2009.

Gift to Vanderbilt

Established in 2006 the T. Aldrich Finegan Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Research, to be awarded to a graduating senior in the economics honors program.

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