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Research Areas

Macroeconomics and business cycles; households and consumption; feminist and institutional economics; social stratification; care and sustainability; history of economic thought (T. Veblen).

Academic Appointments

- Professor of Economics, Wright State University (2017–present)
- Chair, Department of Economics, Wright State University (2017–2020)
- Associate Professor (2011–2017); Assistant Professor (2006–2010), Wright State University
- Visiting Scholar, Central European University, Budapest (2013–2014)
- Pre-doctoral Fellow, Fisher Center for the Study of Women and Men, Hobart and William Smith Colleges, Geneva, NY (2004-2005)

Education

- Ph.D. Economics, University of Missouri–Kansas City (2007); MA Economics (2001)
- B.S. Agribusiness Economics, Plovdiv University, Bulgaria, 1998

Awards

International Veblen Prize, AFEE/EAEPE (2007); Outstanding Dissertation Award, UMKC (2008)

Teaching

- Graduate and undergraduate courses in Macroeconomics, Institutional Economics, Development of Economic Thought, Political Economy of Women; and Economic, Social and Ecological Systems.
- Equity Champions Program, Wright State University (Spring 2025).
- Co-adviser and co-examiner of international doctoral students (Federal University of Espírito Santo, 2023; Universite Sorbonne, Paris Nord 2021).
- Graduate and Undergraduate Independent Studies and Projects in the areas of economic sustainability, economic thought, social stratification, and macroeconomics

Selected Peer-Reviewed Publications (full list and citing information available in longer version)

- “Processes, Social Provisioning, and Invidious Distinction: Central Concepts in Heterodox Economics” *Brazilian Keynesian Review* (in print, 2026)
- “A Job Guarantee: Student Ideas” (with 7 MS students) *International Journal of Pluralism and Economics Education* (2025)

- “Social Processes of Oppression in the Stratified Economy,” *Journal of Post Keynesian Economics* (2024)
- “Hazel Kyrk’s ‘A Theory of Consumption’, Veblen’s Business and Industrial Concerns, and W.C. Mitchell’s Essays on Spending and Money: Conceptual Links” *Research in History of Economic Thought and Methodology* (2024)
- “Remittances and Households in the Age of Neoliberal Uncertainty” (with K. Khanal), *Journal of Economic Issues* (2019)
- “Social Provisioning within a Culture-Nature Life-Process,” *Review of Political Economy* (2015)
- Co-editor (with Tae-Hee Jo), *Advancing Frontiers of Heterodox Economics* (Routledge, 2015)
- “Consumption as a Social Process,” *Journal of Economic Issues* (2014)
- “Connecting Social Provisioning and Functional Finance in a Post Keynesian – Institutional Analysis of the Public Sector” *European Journal of Economics and Economic Policies* (2013).
- “Conspicuous Consumption as Routine Expenditures,” *American Journal of Economics and Sociology* (2013)
- “Inequality-led Financial Instability” (with M. Fernandez & F. Kaboub), *International Journal of Political Economy* (2010)
- *Money and Households in a Capitalist Economy* (book, Edward Elgar, 2009)
- “Habits of Thought, Agency, and Transformation: An Institutional Approach to Ecological Economics,” *Feminist Economics* (2005).

Selected Editorial & Professional Leadership

- Editorial Advisory Board, *International Journal of Political Economy* (2022– present)
- Editorial Board, *Journal of Post Keynesian Economics* (2014–present)
- Trustee, Association for Social Economics (2017–2022)
- President, Association for Institutional Thought (2015–2016)
- Conference Program Organizer, Association for Institutional Thought (2015)
- Initiator: Gender, Race & Economy Graduate Certificate (2015, Wright State University).
- Seminar Organizer: Social Costs; Money; Neoliberalism (2012, 2013, Wright State University)

Selected Invited Keynote Lectures (full list available in longer version)

- AFEE South American Conference, Curitiba, Brazil (2024)
- Summer School, Poznan, Poland (2021, 2024)
- Free University, Berlin, Germany (2021)
- Université Sorbonne Paris Nord, France (2021)
- Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (2014, 2019, 2020)

Recent Media Interviews

- “Average Car Insurance Costs” *WalletHub* (2025)
- “Budget Categories” *WalletHub* (2025)
- “Current Inflation” *WalletHub* (2024)