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Current positions:

Reader, Department of Economic History, London School of Economics

Visiting Fellow, Department of Economic History, Lund University

Editor, Explorations in Economic History

External Examiner, Economics Department, Royal Holloway College, University of London

Academic Appointments:

2008- Reader, Department of Economic History, London School of Economics

1998- Lecturer, Department of Economic History, London School of Economics

1997-8 Lecturer, Department of Economics, Royal Holloway College, London University

1995-7 Research Fellow, Nuffield College, University of Oxford

1992-7 Taught economics for eight Oxford Colleges

Education:

1996 PhD Economics, University of Oxford

1994 MPhil in Economics, University of Oxford

1992 BA (Hons), 1st class, Modern History and Economics, University of Oxford

Professional Academic Honours:

2007 Awarded (US) Economic History Association's Arthur H. Cole Prize for the best article in the Journal of Economic History in the previous academic year

2006 Work judged "outstanding" in ESRC end of award report

2006 Awarded teaching prize, London School of Economics

2003 Awarded tenure, London School of Economics

2003 Awarded teaching prize, London School of Economics

1998 Awarded International Economic History Association prize for best doctoral dissertation on a 1700-1914 topic.

1997 Awarded (US) Economic History Association's Gerschenkron prize for best doctoral dissertation on a non-American topic

1994 Awarded University of Oxford's George Webb Medley Senior prize for best masters thesis in economics

1992 Awarded University of Oxford's George Webb Medley Junior prize for best final examination performance in economics

Grants:

- 2007 Anglo-Dutch conference on evaluating public policy, travel and accommodation
- 2006 British Academy Small Grant *The determinants of apprenticeship completion rates* with P.H. Wallis, £7,000
- 2006 ESRC grant under the Public Services Programme, principal investigator, *The effect of ownership of and regulation on British railway performance, 1850-2006* with N Crafts £79,000
- 2005 Japanese Government, *The effect of city size on nineteenth century heights*
- 2005 British Academy Small Grant *The price of electrical goods in the interwar period* with Professor N. F. R. Crafts, £7,000
- 2004 British Academy Small Grant *The effect of city size on nineteenth century heights* with Professor J. Humphries, £7,000
- 2001-2004 ESRC Grant *The effects of different generations of large-scale technological change*. with Professor N. F. R. Crafts, (ESRC reference R000239536, £175,000, judged by ESRC to be “outstanding”)
- 1998-2000 awarded small grants by the Royal Economic Society, Economic History Association and the Pasold Fund for Textile Research.

Academic Service:

- 2009- The Queen’s Anniversary Prizes for Higher and Further Education Reader Panel
- 2008- Editor, *Explorations in Economic History*
- 2008-10 Economics Network Representative, Social Science History Association
- 2007-10 External Examiner, Royal Holloway College, University of London Economics Department
- 2007-9 Academic lead, ESRC-funded Economic History Society PhD training conference
- 2007- Governor, Pasold Research Fund for Textile Research
- 2006 Founded “Baines Prize” for best exam performance in introductory economic history
Founded “Altorfer-Ong Prize” for best exam performance in undergraduate business history.
- 2005 Oration, Charles H Feinstein’s memorial event, “Charles Feinstein the teacher”
- 2002 Member of the Economic History Association Presidential Nominating Committee.
- 2001 with Joachim Voth, founded Feinstein Prize in Economic History at Oxford University, in honour of Charles H Feinstein, to be awarded for best Oxford Masters’ dissertation in economic and social history.
- 1997- Referee: *American Economic Review*, *Cambridge Journal of Economics*, *Economic History Review*, *Economic Journal*, *European Economic Review*, *European Review of Economic History*, *Explorations in Economic History*, *Journal of Economic History*, *Oxford Economic Papers* etc

School Service:

- 2008-9 Member, LSE Teaching and Learning Innovation Sub-Committee
- 2006-7 Chair, Learning Spaces Advisory Group
- 2005-6 Chair, Business Support and Services User Group
- 2005-6 Member, Library and Information Services Committee
- 2004-6 Member, Data Advisory Group
- 2003-6 Member, Library User Committee

Departmental Service:

- 2009-10 Epstein memorial lecture selection committee convenor
- 2008-9 MSc Admissions Officer
- 2007-8 Departmental Tutor
- 2004-6 Undergraduate Examinations Officer
- 2003-6 Undergraduate Admissions Officer
- 2002-6 Departmental mentor to occasional teachers

Public policy service

- 2008- Member, GLA Economics Research Advisory Board
- 2008- Member, Advisory Board, Policy Exchange
- 2008- Member, Advisory Board, Centre Forum
- 2006-7 Member of the Academic Advisory Panel for the Barker Review of Land Use Planning, 2006-7
- 2005 Written & oral evidence to the House of Commons Select Committee *The Future of Railways* Seventh Report of Session 2003-4, Volume II, HC 145-II 2005, Ev.40 & Ev 238

PhD students**Completed:**

- 2006 Ayowa Afrifa-Taylor *An Economic History of the Ashanti Goldfields Corporation, 1895-2004: Land, Labour, Capital and Enterprise* (with Gareth Austin)
- 2009 Carlos Santiago-Caballero *The path to survival: the response to the production crisis of the late 18th century in the Spanish region of Guadalajara* (with Janet Hunter and S.R. Epstein)

In progress:

- Xavier Duran (Nineteenth Century US Railroads) with Henry Overman
- Tatiana Gonzalez (Latin American utilities) with Colin Lewis
- Matthew Partridge (German and Japanese post-war economic liberalisation) with Janet Hunter
- Kevin Tennent (Scottish free-standing companies) with Terry Gourvish

Current research areas:

1. Agglomeration economies from better transport: nineteenth century England and Wales (with N.F.R. Crafts). Paper available from the authors
2. How fluid was the pre-industrial British economy? New evidence from apprenticeship records (with C Minns and P Wallis). Paper available from the authors
3. Electric goods' prices. Data collected, analysis underway
4. Twentieth Century Railway performance. Grant awarded, analysis underway
5. Why did apprentices quit? Data collected, analysis underway

Academic Publications:

1. 'The Glamour of Speed: an analysis of postwar investment in Britain's railways' in C. Hood and H. Margetts, ed *Paradoxes of Modernization: Unintended Consequences of Public Policy Reform* Oxford University Press forthcoming 2009
2. 'Cities, market integration and going to sea: stunting and the standard of living in early nineteenth century England and Wales' (with J Humphries) *Economic History Review*, forthcoming 2009. Available from http://ideas.repec.org/p/nuf/esohwp/_066.html
3. 'Was Dick Whittington taller than those he left behind? Anthropometric measures, migration and the quality of life in early nineteenth century London.' (with J Humphries) *Explorations in Economic History*, Available online at <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.eeh.2007.08.001>, print edition forthcoming 2009)
4. 'Were British Railway Companies Well-Managed In The Early Twentieth Century?' (with N.F.R. Crafts and A. Mulatu), *Economic History Review*, November 2008, pp. 842-66.
5. 'Selling English cotton into the world market: implications for the rationalisation debate 1900-1939' (with A Marrison and S. Broadberry), in *Essays in Lancashire & Textiles History: A Tribute to Douglas A. Farnie Wilson*, J.F. (ed) Carnegie Books, 2008
6. 'Spatial Patterns of Development and the British Housing Market' (with H.G. Overman) *Oxford Review of Economic Policy* Spring 2008
7. 'Time is money: a re-assessment of the passenger social savings from Victorian British railways', *Journal of Economic History*, September 2006, pp. 635-673. Awarded the Arthur H. Cole prize for best *Journal of Economic History* article in academic year 2006/7.
8. 'Comment on "Seat of Death and Terror"' (with H-J Voth), *Economic History Review*, 59, 3, August 2006, pp. 607-616.
9. 'Height and the High Life – What Future for a Tall Story?' (with H-J Voth), in *Economic Challenges of the 21st Century in Historical Perspective* David, P. A., and Thomas, M. (eds) Routledge, 2004. pp. 419-438
10. 'Cotton Industry: Technological Change' in *The Oxford Encyclopedia of Economic History* Mokyr, J., 2003, pp. 24-29.
11. 'A British Industrial Success: Productivity in the Lancashire and New England Cotton Spinning Industries a Century Ago.' *Economic History Review*, February 2003, pp. 90-117.
12. 'New Answers To Old Questions: Explaining the Slow Adoption of Ring Spinning in Lancashire, 1880-1913' *Journal of Economic History*, 61, 2, June 2001, pp. 439-466.
13. 'Smallpox really did reduce height: a reply to Razzell' (with H-J Voth) *Economic History Review*, 54, 1, February 2001, pp. 110-114.
14. 'The railway mania and the internet boom' (with D Baines and N Crafts), *Fathom.com*, February 2001 (Available at http://www.fathom.com/story/story.jhtml?story_id=122057)
15. 'The Myth of the Corporate Economy: factor costs, industrial structure and technological choice in the Lancashire and New England cotton textile industries, 1900-1913' Dissertation Summary *Journal of Economic History*, 58, 2, June 1998, pp. 528-531.
16. 'Smallpox did reduce height: a reply to our critics' (with H-J Voth) *Economic History Review*, 51, 2, May 1998, pp. 372-381.
17. 'The Myth of the Corporate Economy: Great Britain's Cotton Textile Industry, 1900-13' *Business and Economic History*, 25, 2, Winter 1996, pp. 53-67.

18. 'Did smallpox reduce height? Stature and the standard of living in London, 1770-1873' (with H-J Voth) *Economic History Review*, 49, 3, August 1996, pp. 541-560.

Working papers:

1. 'Piece rates and learning: understanding work and production in the New England textile industry a century ago.' 2003 (Available from <http://www.lse.ac.uk/collections/economicHistory/pdf/wp7203.pdf>)
2. 'Can profitable arbitrage explain the persistence of mule spinning?' 2002 (Available from <http://www.lse.ac.uk/collections/economicHistory/pdf/wp6902.pdf>)

Publications for Government

1. "The historical significance of transport for economic growth and productivity" (with N.F.R. Crafts) for the H.M. Treasury & Department for Transport Eddington Report on transport and the economy, 2006.
<http://www.dft.gov.uk/about/strategy/eddingtongstudy/researchannexes/researchannexesvolume1/historicalsingificance>

Other public policy publications

1. *The right to move: a new agenda for social housing tenants* Policy Exchange, 2009
2. *Cities unlimited* Policy Exchange, 2008
<http://www.policyexchange.org.uk/images/libimages/418.PDF>
3. *Success in the City: Learning from international urban policies* Policy Exchange, 2008
<http://www.policyexchange.org.uk/images/libimages/356.pdf>
4. *Cities Limited: An appraisal of British urban policy* Policy Exchange, 2007
<http://www.policyexchange.org.uk/images/libimages/310.pdf>
5. *In my back yard: unlocking the planning system* Centre Forum, 2007
<http://www.centreforum.org/assets/pubs/in-my-back-yard.pdf>

Articles in newspapers and magazines

1. "Build on the green belt" *Inside Housing*, 30 January 2009
2. "Expanding choice based letting" *Inside Housing*, 28 November 2008
3. "Paying for Social Housing" *Inside Housing*, 3 October 2008
4. "Problems with Road Pricing" *Challenge magazine* August 2008
5. "Cost analysis" *Inside Housing*, 8 August 2008,
6. "An equal footing" *Inside Housing*, 13 June 2008
7. "Safe as houses" *Prospect* May 2008
8. "A fall in property prices that kick away the ladder" *Financial Times* op-ed column, 9 April 2008, featured on front page of the FT and FT.com
9. "The need for more north-south migration" *Financial Times* op-ed column, 1 October 2007
10. "If we want housing to be more affordable we must release more land for housing. Period." *Roof*, September 2007
11. "£87,500: That is what an average house should cost", *Parliamentary Brief*, August 2007, Volume 11 No 6
12. "Auction land to ease the housing crisis", (with Edward Davey) *Financial Times* op-ed column, 24 July 2007

13. "Local bids for housing land can boost supply", *Planning in London* 62, July 2007
14. Turning NIMBYs into IMBYs' *Town and Country Planning* volume 73, issue 12, December 2004
15. "Turning NIMBYs into IMBYs", *Guardian Online*
www.guardian.co.uk/uk_news/story/0,3604,1295085,00.html, 2004.
16. "Kick your door open", (University admissions), *Times Higher Educational Supplement*, June 22, 2001

Press coverage

Television

Live or pre-recorded pieces for Newsnight, ITN News, Channel 4 News, Sky News, GMTV, PBS America, etc

Radio

Extensive experience on national, local and overseas radio.

Newspapers

My research has been covered in all UK national papers, as well as in many major and minor provincial and local newspapers, and many foreign publications.

Recent and forthcoming seminar and conference presentations:

- 2009 Royal Aeronautical Society Debate on the Future of Heathrow
Business History Unit, LSE
Said Business School, Oxford
Economic History Workshop, European University Institute
Transport Economics Group Conference, London
Regeneration Seminar, Sheffield and Sheffield Hallam joint seminar
- 2008 London, Civils Transport Conference
Porto, OECD regeneration pre-ministerial meeting
National Railway Museum, York
Northwestern University Economic History Workshop
Liverpool Anglican Cathedral, The future of Liverpool,
Cambridge University, Modern Economic History Seminar,
Lund University, Economic History Seminar
Queen's University, Belfast, Economics Workshop
World Cliometrics Society conference
BERR conference on the future of the North
Oxford University, Economic History Seminar
Northumbria University Business School workshop on urban regeneration.
Centre For Market And Public Organisation Conference on Public Services
- 2007 Social Science History Association Meetings, Chicago
Royal Aeronautical Society Conference on multi-modal transport
Economic History Association Meetings, Austin
Anglo-Dutch conference on assessing public service quality evaluation, Rotterdam
Ohio State University Economics Workshop

- Business History Conference, Cleveland
- Wharton School, University of Pennsylvania, Economic History Seminar
- Public Services Programme Workshop, York
- Carlos III Madrid, History Department
- LSE Economics Department, International Economics Seminar
- BERR lunchtime economics seminar series
- 2006 Keio Anthropometrics Workshop, Tokyo
- Economic History Society Conference, Reading
- International Economic History Association Conference, Helsinki
- Association of Business History Conference, London
- Oxford University Economic History Seminar
- UC Davis Economics Department
- Stanford University Economics Department
- Caltech Humanities and Social Science Department
- UC Irvine Economics Department
- UCLA Economics Department
- Cambridge University Group for Population Studies
- LSE Geography Department
- Royal Holloway College Economics Department
- 2005 Oxford University Economic History Seminar
- Linköping University School of Management, Sweden (invited lecture)
- National Railway Museum, York
- Business History Unit, LSE
- Berlin Colloquium in quantitative economic history
- 2004 Economic History Society Conference, Egham
- Nuffield College Symposium, Oxford
- 2003 Business History Conference, Lowell
- 2002 Royal Holloway College Economics Seminar
- Women and Work Culture Conference, Leeds
- International Economic History Association, Buenos Aires
- 2001 Economic History Association, Philadelphia
- Business History Unit, LSE
- 2000 Business History Conference, Stanford University;
- Cambridge Quantitative Economic History Workshop University
- Portsmouth University Economics Seminar
- 1999 European Historical Economics Society Conference, Lisbon
- Economic History Society Conference, Oxford