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### **Education**

University of Essex, PhD in Economics, April 2001

University of Alberta, MA in Economics, August 1997

Queen's University (Canada) BA (Honours) in Economics, May 1996

### **Academic Positions**

Associate Professor, Department of Economic History, London School of Economics and Political Science, August 2013-present.

John Weatherall Distinguished Fellow and Visiting Associate Professor, Department of Economics, Queen's University, September 2012 – December 2012

Senior Lecturer, Department of Economic History, London School of Economics and Political Science, August 2012-July 2013.

Lecturer, Department of Economic History, London School of Economics and Political Science, August 2006-July 2012.

Research Associate, Institute for International Integration Studies (IIIS), May 2003-present.

Lecturer, Department of Economics, Trinity College Dublin, Sept. 2002-July 2006

Post-Doctoral Fellow, Department of Economics, McGill University, Sept. 2000-May 2002

### **Awards**

LSE Education Award, Summer 2016

Nominated for LSE Student Union Teaching Award, 2015

Explorations Prize for best article published in *Explorations in Economic History* in the previous academic year, September 2008.

Best paper by a new researcher, Economic History Society conference, April 1999.

Academic All-Canadian, cross-country (athletics), 1996.

## **Research Awards**

Economic History Society Conference Award, £2000, June 2016

Royal Economic Society Conference Award, £3000, March 2016

“Rights Reserved? Constraints and Contradictions of European Citizenship.” European Commission FP7 integrated project. 5.5 – 6.5 million Euro across 25 partner institutions, from May 2013.

“Economic growth and economic performance over the long run: frontier research in economic and social history.” ESRC Seminar Research Grant (with Rowena Gray and Alex Klein). April 2012, £17631.

“Training and economic mobility in early modern England.” STICERD/LSE Annual Fund, April 2009 £20,000

Erasmus Mundus Fellowship to visit the International Development Studies Department at Dalhousie University, August 2008.

“The development of the Canadian labour market, 1870-1920.” British Academy Small Grant, July 2007. £6225

TCD representative and Steering Committee member on GlobalEuroNet European Science Foundation (ESF) Research Programme, April 2006 – August 2006. ~€150,000 across partner institutions.

“The emergence of national markets in Canada, 1870-1940,” overseas research collaborator with Mary MacKinnon and Dhanoos Sutthiphisal (McGill), Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC), April 2006. ~C\$90,000

Research Capacity Building Scheme, Trinity College Dublin, August 2005. (With Ken Benoit) ~€26,000

Team member in IIS funded projects, “Historical antecedents of globalization,” and “Evaluating globalization using microdata,” March 2004.

“Schooling and school finance in Canada, 1871-1971,” as overseas research collaborator with Mary MacKinnon (McGill) and Alan Green (Queen’s), SSHRC, April 2003. ~C\$ 80,000

Start-up Grant, Trinity College Dublin, March 2003. ~€7,000

## Writings

### Journal Articles, Book Chapters:

“Reverse Assimilation? Immigrants in the Canadian Labour Market During the Great Depression.” (With Kris Inwood and Fraser Summerfield) *European Review of Economic History*, **20**, (2016), 299-321.

“Institutions, history, and wage bargaining outcomes: international evidence from the Post-World War Two era.” (With Marian Rizov) *Business History*, **57** (2015), 358-375.

“Labour market dynamics in Canada, 1891-1911: a first look from new census samples.” (with Kris Inwood and Mary Mackinnon), in *The dawn of Canada’s Century: Hidden Histories*, ed, Gordon Darroch, McGill-Queen’s Press, (2014), 361-393.

“The price of human capital in a pre-industrial economy: premiums and apprenticeship contracts in 18<sup>th</sup> century England.” (with Patrick Wallis). *Explorations in Economic History*, **50** (2013), 335-350.

“Picking Winners? The effect of birth order and migration on parental human capital investments in pre-modern England” (with Marc Klemp, Patrick Wallis, and Jacob Weisdorf). *European Review of Economic History*, **17** (2013), 210-232.

“Rules and reality: quantifying the practice of apprenticeship in premodern England.” (with Patrick Wallis). *Economic History Review*, **65** (2012), 556-579.

“Networks in the premodern economy: the market for London apprenticeships, 1600-1749.” (with Tim Leunig and Patrick Wallis). *Journal of Economic History*, **71** (2011), 413-443.

“Leaving home and entering service: the age of apprenticeship in early modern London.” (with Patrick Wallis and Cliff Webb). *Continuity and Change* **25** (2010), 377-404.

“The times they are not changin’: days and hours of work in Old and New Worlds, 1870-2000.” (with Michael Huberman). *Explorations in economic history* **44** (2007), 538-567.

“The costs of doing hard time: a penitentiary based regional price index for Canada, 1883-1923,” (with Mary MacKinnon). *Canadian journal of economics* **40** (2007), 528-560.

“Immigration policy and the skills of Irish immigrants: evidence and implications.” *Journal of the statistical and social inquiry society of Ireland* **34** (158<sup>th</sup> session) (2005), 82-114.

“Conspicuous by their absence: French Canadians and the settlement of the Canadian West,” (with Alan Green and Mary MacKinnon). *Journal of economic history* **65** (2005), 822-849.

“The spirit of capitalism? Ethnicity, religion, and self-employment in early 20<sup>th</sup> century Canada,” (with Marian Rizov). *Explorations in economic history* **42** (2005), 259-281.

“Dominion or Republic? British immigrants to North America, 1870-1910,” (with Alan Green and Mary MacKinnon). *Economic history review* **55** (2002), 666-696.

“Income, cohort effects, and occupational mobility: a new look at immigration to the United States at the turn of the twentieth century.” *Explorations in economic history* **37** (2000), 326-350.

Unpublished papers:

“The scale and scope of citizenship in Early Modern Europe: preliminary estimates.” Lead author. (With Clare Crowston, Raoul De Kerf, Bert De Munck, Marcel Hoogenboom, Christopher Kissane, Maarten Prak, and Patrick Wallis). bEUCitizen Working Paper 3.1, revise and resubmit, *Economic History Review*, June 2016

“Access to the trade: Citizens, craft guilds and social and geographical mobility in early modern Europe – a survey of the literature, with additional new data.” (With Maarten Prak (lead author), Clare Crowston, Christopher Kissane, and Patrick Wallis). Final draft of bEUCitizen Working Paper 3.3, April 2014, revise and resubmit, *Economic History Review*, October 2016.

“Resource Booms Versus Structural Change: Explaining Regional Convergence and Divergence in Canada, 1890-2006.” (With Joan Rosés). May 2016.

“How much do occupational indices miss the mark? Evidence from estimates of early 20<sup>th</sup> century immigrant labour market assimilation. (With Kris Inwood and Fraser Summerfield, August 2016.

“Barriers to Citizenship and Trades in Early Modern Europe.” (With Patrick Wallis, Bert De Munck (lead authors), Clare Crowston, Raoul De Kerf, Marcel Hoogenboom, Christopher Kissane, and Maarten Prak). Final draft of bEUCitizen Working Paper 3.3, July 2015.

“Education on the Frontier: Primary School Provision and Pupil Attendance in Early 20<sup>th</sup> Century British Columbia.” (With Mary MacKinnon) May 2013.

“When did school teaching become a career? Evidence from British Columbia, 1901-1941.” (with Mary MacKinnon) May 2011

“Social mobility in early modern England: evidence from apprenticeship records.” (with Patrick Wallis) March 2011.

“Canadian school attendance in 1901: laws, costs, and family characteristics,” (with Mary MacKinnon) May 2006.

“The First World War and the emergence of national markets in Canada,” (with Mary MacKinnon) September 2005.

“The economic progress of French Canadians, 1900-1970,” May 2003.

“The earnings gap between rural and urban Canada in 1901” (with Alan Green and Mary

MacKinnon), December 2002.

### Book Reviews:

Review of *The Son Also Rises: Surnames and the History of Social Mobility*, by G. Clark with N. Cummins, Y. Hao, and D. D. Vidal (Princeton, 2014), *Investigaciones de Historia Económica*, forthcoming.

Review of *Oxford City Apprentices, 1513-1602*, by A. Crossley (ed.), (Oxford Historical Society, 2012), *Renaissance Quarterly*, **67**, 1014-1016.

Review of *Empire and Globalisation: Networks of People, Goods, and Capital in the British World, c. 1850-1914*, by G. B. Magee and A. S. Thompson (Cambridge, 2010), *Victorian Studies*, **55** (2013), 360-361.

Review of *Exceptional People: How Migration Shaped Our World and Will Define Our Future*, by I. Goldin, G. Cameron, and M. Balarahan, (Princeton 2011), *EH.Net*, 2011.

Review of *Regulating Flexibility*, by M.P. Thomas, (McGill-Queen's 2009), *Canadian Public Policy* 27 (2010), **36**, 131-133.

Review of *Mass Migration Under Sail*, by R. L. Cohn, (Cambridge 2008), *Economic History Review*, 63 (2010), 270-271.

Review of *Immigration and American Unionism*, by V. Briggs Jr., (Cornell/ILRR 2001), *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*. 57 (2003) 148-150.

Review of *Issues in the Economics of Immigration*, ed. G. Borjas (NBER 2001), *Industrial and Labor Relations Review* **55** (2001), 172-173.

### **Professional Activities**

#### External Academic Service

Selection Panel, Economic History Society/Institute for Historical Research Post-Doctoral Fellowships, June 2016.

Editor, SSRN-Economic History abstracting journal, September 2006-present.

Convenor, Economic History Society residential training course, December 2010 & 2011.

Invited Participant, Economic History Society residential training course, December 2008 & 2009.

Program Committee (chair), Canadian Network for Economic History Meetings, Peterborough, October 2014.

Program Committee, Canadian Network for Economic History Meetings, Banff, October 2012.

Program Committee, Canadian Network for Economic History Meetings, Montreal, April 2008.

Examiner for University of London External Degree, June 2010 & 2011.

#### Invited Lectures

“Apprenticeship in early modern London.” Delivered to London Branch of Birmingham and Midland Society for Genealogy and Heraldry, January 2016.

“Apprenticeship in early modern London.” Delivered to Guildhall Library, November 2014.

“Apprenticeships in early modern London: The economic origins and destinations of City apprentices in the 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> centuries.” Delivered to Gresham College, London, January 2012.

“Migration and economic growth, 1870-1910,” delivered to the European Summer School in Economic History, Tartu, Estonia, August 2007.

“Immigration policy and the skills of Irish immigrants: evidence and implications,” delivered to the Social and Statistical Society of Ireland, ESRI (Dublin), February 2005.

#### Seminar Presentations (last 5 years):

2016: University of Barcelona

2014: COMPAS (Oxford), University of York (UK).

2013: University of East Anglia.

2012: University of Guelph, Queen’s University (Canada).

#### Conference Presentations (last 5 years):

2016: Social Science History Association (Chicago)

2015: “Cities and Citizens” (Durham), World Economic History Congress (Kyoto), European Historical Economics Society (Pisa), Canadian Network for Economic History (Kingston).

2013: “Histoire et quantification de l’Education et de la Formation” (EHESS Paris), Canadian Economics Association (Montreal), European Historical Economic Society (London), “Global Inequality and Poverty (Brighton), FRESH (Essex).

2011: Economic History Society (Cambridge), Canadian Network for Economic History/Canadian Economics Association (Ottawa), “History and Development: Sustainable Development Indicators (Edinburgh), “Household Decision Making in History.” (Oxford).

Other Conference Participation (last 5 years):

Discussant, Canadian Economics Association (Montreal) June 2013.

Discussant, Economic History Association (Boston) September 2011.

Discussant, Canadian Economics Association (Ottawa) June 2011.

Professional Membership: Canadian Economics Association, Canadian Network for Economic History, Cliometric Society, Economic History Association, Economic History Society.

Journal Referee: *Australian Economic History Review*, *Canadian Journal of Economics*, *Cliometrica*, *Economic and Social Review*, *Economic History Review*, *European Review of Economic History*, *Explorations in Economic History*, *Historical Methods*, *International Migration Journal*, *International Migration Review*, *Journal of Economic History*, *Journal of Macroeconomics*, *Journal of Population Economics*, *Labor History*, *Review of Economics and Statistics*, *Review of International Economics and Business*, *Scandinavian Journal of Economics*, *Social Science History*, *Southern Economic Journal*, *World Development*.

Book Referee: Routledge, Wiley & Sons.

Project Referee: Arts and Humanities Research Council (UK), Economic and Social Research Council (UK), European Science Foundation, Canada Foundation for Innovation, Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada.

**Teaching Experience**

Issues in Economic History (undergraduate), Queen's, 2012.

From Slavery to Asylum: International Migration (graduate), 1500-2000. LSE, 2007-  
Quantitative Topics in Economic History (graduate), LSE, 2006-2012  
Theories and Methods in Economic History (undergraduate). LSE, 2009-  
The Internationalisation of Economic Growth (undergraduate), LSE, 2006-  
Foundations of the Industrial Economy (undergraduate), LSE, 2007-2008  
The Economic History of North America (undergraduate), LSE 2007-

Microeconomics (graduate), Trinity College, 2004-2005  
Research Methods (graduate), Trinity College, 2003  
World Economic History (undergraduate), Trinity College, 2003-2005  
Labour Economics (undergraduate), McGill University, 2001-2002, Trinity College, 2002-2006  
Macroeconomics (undergraduate), Trinity College, 2003-2004  
Current Economic Problems (undergraduate), McGill University, 2001-2002  
Topics in Economic Policy (undergraduate), McGill University, 2001  
Urban Economics (undergraduate), Trinity College, 2006.

**PhD Student Supervision**

Peter Cirenza (Melting pot of salad bowl? Assessing Irish immigrant assimilation in late nineteenth century America). Viva passed May 2011. Currently Course Tutor, LSE Economic History Department

Steven Ivings (Colonial Settlement and Migratory Labour in Karafuto 1905-1941), Viva passed November 2014. Currently Assistant Professor in Cultural Economic History, Heidelberg University.

Pei Gao (The rise of modern education in China through the early 20<sup>th</sup> century), Viva passed June 2015. Currently Postdoctoral Research Fellow, LSE Economic History Department. Assistant Professor, NYU-Shanghai from August 2016

Vincent Geloso (Living standards and economic development in colonial New France), Viva passed June 2016. Post-Doctoral Fellow, Texas Tech University, from August 2016.

Brian Varian (US Tariffs and British economic development), ongoing.

Young-Ook Jang (Migration and Ethnicity in the USSR and post-Soviet space), ongoing.

## **Internal Academic Service**

### LSE

Deputy Head of Department (Teaching), 2013-2016

MSc Tutor, 2013-2014

Department Research Committee, organizing 2013 REF submission.

Coordinator, External Seminar series, 2011-2012, 2013-2014

Coordinator, PhD Workshop in economic history, 2008-2009

LSE course coordinator, LSE-Sciences Po Double Degree in Development Economics and Economic History, 2007-2010

### TCD

Graduate Studies Committee, Department of Economics, Trinity College, 2003-2006

Convenor, Dublin Economics Workshop, Trinity College, 2003-2006.

## **Media Appearances**

Radio: BBC World Service, CBC Radio (National Network), France 24.



Television: BBC

**Consulting Activity**

Background Paper on International Migration for report on Policy Coherence for Development, Advisory Board for Irish Aid, 2009.

“Express logistics, globalization, and prosperity: experience and prospects.” Report prepared for DHL, 2009. (With Tim Leunig and Diana Weinhold)

Advisor to the Futures Company in preparation of “Three hundred years of risk: past, future, and present,” 2010.