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Ph.D. Economics
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Areas of Interest

Macroeconomics, Household Finance and Asset Pricing, Asymmetric Information and Dynamic Contracting

Previous Experience

2011-2012 Visiting Scholar, Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis
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2004-2006 Research Assistant, National Bureau of Economics Research
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Journal Publications

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