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Google Scholar page: http://scholar.google.com.au/citations?user=3JA_rHAI_AAAAJ&hl=en

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Personal

Date of Birth: 2 December, 1974
Place: Sydney, Australia
Citizenship: Australian, United States Permanent Resident
Marital Status: Married to Rosalind Dixon 12/19/05, 2 children

Positions Held

- Professor of Economics, University of New South Wales, Australian School of Business 2011-
- Director, Herbert Smith Freehills Law and Economics Initiative 2012-
- Visiting Scholar, University of Chicago Booth School of Business, Initiative on Global Markets 2013
- Visiting Professor of Law, University of Chicago Law School 2012
- Editor, Journal of Law and Economics 2011-
- Visiting Professor of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Economics 2011
- Assistant Professor of Economics and Neubauer Family Faculty Fellow, University of Chicago, Booth School of Business 2009-2011
- Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research 2007-
- Assistant Professor of Economics, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Sloan School of Management 2006-2009
- Analyst then Vice President, Pacific Equity Partners 1998-2001
- Associate Consultant then Senior Associate Consultant, Bain & Company 1997-1998

Education

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| Ph.D | Harvard University | 2006 |
| A.M . | Harvard University | 2004 |
| M.Phil. | University of Sydney | 2000 |
| B.Ec. (Hons) | University of Sydney (Class I and University Medal) | 1997 |
| | Sydney Church of England Grammar School (SHORE) | 1984-1992 |
| | Sydney Grammar Preparatory School, St. Ives | 1980-1983 |



Publications

1. “The Original Management Incentive Schemes”, *Journal of Economic Perspectives* 19(4), Fall 2005, 135-144.
2. “Optimal Gerrymandering: Sometimes Pack But Never Crack” (with John Friedman), *American Economic Review* 98(1), March 2008, 113-144.
3. “The Rising Incumbent Advantage: What’s Gerrymandering Got to Do With It?” (with John Friedman), *Journal of Politics* 71(2), April 2009, 593-611.
4. “Incomplete Contracts and the Theory of the Firm: What Have We Learned over the Past 25 Years?” (with Philippe Aghion), *Journal of Economic Perspectives* 25(2), Spring 2011, 181-197.
5. “Rethinking Partisan and Racial Gerrymandering” (with Adam Cox), *78 University of Chicago Law Review* 211 (2011).
6. “Measuring the Compactness of Political Districting Plans” (with Roland Fryer), *Journal of Law and Economics*, August 2011, 493-535.
7. “The Nature of Tournaments” (with Robert Akerlof), *Economic Theory*, 51(2), 2012, 489-313..
8. “Constitutional Amendment Rules: The Denominator Problem” (with Rosalind Dixon), in *Comparative Constitutional Design* (Tom Ginsburg ed.). New York: Cambridge University Press (2012), 195-218.
9. “Organization and Information: Firms’ Governance Choices in Rational-Expectations Equilibrium” (with Robert Gibbons and Michael Powell), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 127(4), 2012, 1813-1841.
10. “Subgame Perfect Implementation under Information Perturbations” (with Philippe Aghion, Drew Fudenberg, Takashi Kunimoto and Olivier Tercieux), *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 127(4), 2012, 1843-1881.
11. “Optimal Primaries” (with Patrick Hummel), *Journal of Public Economics*, 109, 2014, 64-75
12. “Simple Mechanisms and Preferences for Honesty” (with Navin Kartik and Olivier Tercieux), *Games and Economic Behavior*, 83, 2014, 284-290.
13. “A Theory of Rule Development” (with Glenn Ellison), *Journal of Law, Economics and Organization*, forthcoming 2014.
14. “Renegotiation Design Through Contract” (with Anup Malani), *University of Chicago Law Review*, 81(1), 2014, 151-178.
15. “Subgame Perfect Implementation and Foundations of Incomplete Contracts” in P. Aghion, M. Dewatripont, P. Legros and L. Zingales (eds.), *Essays in Honor of Oliver Hart*, Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2014.
16. “Incomplete Contracts” (with Anup Malani) in F. Parisi (ed.) *Oxford Handbook of Law and Economics*, Oxford University Press, forthcoming 2014.
17. “Gerrymandering,” in *Encyclopedia of Race, Ethnicity and Nationalism*, Wiley-Blackwell, 2014.

Other Publications

1. “Allan Barton 1933-2012: a tribute,” (with Geoffrey Harcourt and Selwyn Cornish) *Economic Record* 89, 2013, 283-285.

Working Papers and Papers Under Review

1. “Multitasking, Learning, and Incentives: A Cautionary Tale” (with Roland Fryer)
2. “Power or Anarchy” (with John Ferejohn and Tom Ginsburg).
3. “Information Grenades” (with Anton Kolotilin and Gabriele Gratton)
4. “Subgame Perfect Implementation: Evidence from a Laboratory Experiment” (with Philippe Aghion, Ernst Fehr and Tom Wilkening).
5. “Gaming, Randomness, and Balanced Effort in Incentive Provision” (with Florian Ederer and Margaret Meyer).
6. “Optimal Gerrymandering in a Competitive Environment” (with John Friedman).
7. “Supermajority Voting Rules”.



8. “Strategic Ambiguity, Campaign Contributions and Candidate Location” (with Alberto Alesina).
9. “Comparative Statics in Principal-Agent Problems”
10. “Managerial Contracts at Regulated Firms” (with Christine Jolls).
11. “Does Competition Make Firms More Efficient?”

Honors and Awards

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| Oliver E. Williamson Prize, runner-up | 2014 |
| Australian Research Council Future Fellowship | 2013-2017 |
| Paul Bourke Early Career panel award, Australian Academy of Social Sciences | 2013 |
| American Economic Review excellence in refereeing | 2008 |
| Weatherhead Center Project on Justice, Welfare and Economics Research Grant | 2006 |
| Weatherhead Center Project on Justice, Welfare and Economics Dissertation Fellowship | 2005-2006 |
| Frank Knox Memorial Fellowship, Harvard University | 2002-2005 |
| Harvard GSAS Summer Research Grant | 2002-2003 |
| Harvard Economics of National Security Research Grant | 2004-2005 |
| Life Member New South Wales Debating Union | 1998 |
| University of Sydney Medal | 1997 |
| Business Review Weekly (“BRW”) Australian Business Student of the Year | 1996 |
| BRW Australian Finance Student of the Year | 1996 |

Invited Lectures

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| • Australasian Organizational Economics conference, Sydney | 2010, 2012 |
| • Grossman-Hart at 25 conference, Brussels | 2011 |
| • Calvó-Armengol Prize conference, Barcelona | 2012 |
| • Goethe Universität Organizational Economics conference, Frankfurt | 2012 |
| • Goethe Universität Organizational Economics conference, Frankfurt | 2013 |
| • University of Chicago Law School: “Revelation Mechanisms and the Law” conference | 2013 |
| • Special workshop on Contract Theory: 26th Australasian Finance and Banking Conference | 2013 |

External Research Grants

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| • Australian Research Council Future Fellowship (\$910,034) | 2013-2017 |
| • Centre for International Financial Regulation (chief investigator), \$60,000 | 2013-2014 |
| • Group of 8 Australia-Germany (chief investigator), \$40,000 | 2012-2014 |

Professional Service

Editorial

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| • Editor, Journal of Law and Economics | 2011- |
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Refereeing

American Economic Review, American Economic Journal (Microeconomics), American Journal of Political Science, American Political Science Review, Economic Record, Econometrica, Economic Theory, Games, Games and Economic Behavior, International Review of Law and Economics, Israeli Science Foundation, Journal of Economics and Management Strategy, Journal of Economic Theory, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Financial Economics, Journal of Law and Economics, Journal of Law Economics and Organization, Journal of Political Economy, Journal of Public Economics, National Science Foundation, Oxford University Press, Princeton University Press, Public Choice, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Quarterly Journal of Political Science, RAND Journal of Economics, Review of Economic Design, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Studies, Theoretical Economics, University of New South Wales Law Journal.

Conference Organization

- Co-organizer, Political Economy in the Chicago Area conference 2010
- Co-organizer, Australasian Organizational Economics conference 2011-2014
- Program Committee member and session organizer, 12th Annual meeting of the Society for the Advancement of Economic Theory 2012
- Program Committee member and session organizer, Econometric Society Australasian Meetings 2013

Research Students

Ph.D

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| Michael Gofman | Chicago Booth (2011) | Committee: Diamond (chair), Holden, Myerson, Rajan, Zingales |
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Senior Thesis/Honors

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| Carlos Cacho | UNSW (2012) | Honors Class I |
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| Matthew Martineer | UNSW (2013) | Honors Class I |
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