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Education

1999 Ph.D., Economics, University of California, Berkeley
Dissertation: The Changing Structure of U.S. Labor Markets; Advisor: George Akerlof
1991 A.B., Economics, *cum laude*, Princeton University
1987 Cours de Civilisation Française de la Sorbonne, Université de Paris, France.
1987 International Baccalaureate Diploma, Lincoln Park High School, Chicago, Illinois.

Fellowships and Honors

2013 Most Important Economic Developments of 2013 (*Bloomberg*)
2013 Wonky Award (*Washington Post*)
2013 2013 Albie for best global political economy writing (*Foreign Policy*)
2013 *Foreign Policy* 100 Leading Global Thinkers of 2013
2011 College Outstanding Teaching Award, College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
2003,8,9 Nominee, University of Massachusetts Distinguished Teaching Award
2007 Fulbright Fellow, Hungary
2002 Wayne F. Placek Award, American Psychological Foundation
1997 Lloyd Ulman Graduate Student Fellowship in Labor Economics
1992 Mellon Fellowship
1991 Princeton Project 55 Fellowship

Professional Experience

University of Massachusetts Amherst

2011– Professor of Economics and Public Policy
2005–11 Associate Professor of Economics and Public Policy
1999–2005 Assistant Professor of Economics and Public Policy
2012–13 Acting Director, Social Thought & Political Economy (STPEC)
2011– Chair, Department of Economics
1999– Joint Faculty, Center for Public Policy & Administration
1999– Research Fellow, Political Economy Research Institute
2000– Affiliated Faculty, Labor Relations and Research Center

Other Professional Experience

2007 Fulbright Fellow, Institute of Sociology and Social Policy, Corvinus University, Budapest, Hungary.
2007 Fulbright Fellow, Center for Environmental Policy and Law, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary.
1999–2009 Consultant, Center for California Health Workforce Studies, University of California, San Francisco
1998–99 Research Assistant, Center for California Health Workforce Studies, University of California, San Francisco
1993–99 Research Assistant, Department of Economics and Institute of Business and Economic Research, University of California, Berkeley
1995–96 Staff Labor Economist, Council of Economic Advisers/Executive Office of the President
1991–92 Research Fellow, Trenton Office of Policy Studies, Trenton, New Jersey

Teaching: Courses Taught

Capstone in Public Policy and Administration (M.P.P.A.)
Econometrics (undergraduate)
Economic Instruments for Greenhouse Gas Mitigation (graduate-level mini-course)
Economics of Health (undergraduate)
Economics of Health (M.P.P.A.)
Graduate Applied Econometrics (graduate)
Health and Environmental Inequality Module for Social Inequality and Social Justice
Introduction to Political Economy: Social Wealth (on-line undergraduate course)
Introduction to Political Economy: Social Wealth (undergraduate)
Labor in the American Economy (undergraduate)
Labor in the American Economy (M.P.P.A.)
Intermediate Macroeconomics (undergraduate)
Microeconomics for Public Policy (M.P.P.A.)
Policy Analysis (M.P.P.A.)
Political Economy of the Environment and Environmental Policy (graduate)
Political Economy of Public Policy (M.P.P.A.)
Statistics for Public Policy and Administration (M.P.P.A.)

Research

Articles Published or Forthcoming in Peer-Reviewed Journals

- 2014 Herndon T, Ash M, Pollin R. “Does High Public Debt Consistently Stifle Economic Growth? A Critique of Reinhart and Rogoff.” *Cambridge Journal of Economics* 38 (2): 257-279. First published online December 24, 2013.
- 2013 Ash M, Boyce JK, Chang G, Scharber H. “Is Environmental Justice Good for White Folks?” *Social Science Quarterly* 94(3): 616–636. Early view published 22 June.
- 2011 Seago JA, Spetz J, Ash M, Herrera C, Keane D. “Hospital RN job satisfaction and nurse unions.” *Journal of Nursing Administration*, Mar 41(3):109-14.
- 2011 Spetz J, Ash M, Konstantinidis C, Herrera C. The effect of unions on the distribution of wages of hospital-employed registered nurses in the United States. *Journal of Clinical Nursing* Jan;20(1-2):60-7. doi: 10.1111/j.1365-2702.2010.03456.x.
- 2010 Ash M, Boyce J. “Measuring Corporate Environmental Justice Performance.” *Corporate Social Responsibility and Environmental Management* 238.
- 2009 Ash JM, Ash M, Ash P. “Constructing a quadrilateral inside another one.” *Mathematical Gazette*, 93: 52–62.
- 2009 Ash M, Robinson D. “Inequality, race, and mortality in U.S. cities: A political and econometric review of Deaton and Lubotsky” *Social Science and Medicine* 68(11): 1909–1913.
- 2009 Ash M, Arons S. “Economic Parameters of End-of-Life Care: Some policy implications in an era of health care reform” *Western New England Law Review* 31(2):305–332.
- 2008 Ferjentsik V, Ash M. “An EU sky trust: Can a lower-income country afford climate policy?” *Environmental Liability* 16(5): 183–187.
- 2008 Gupta S, Ash M. “Whose Money, Whose Time? A Nonparametric Approach to Modeling Time Spent on Housework in the United States.” *Feminist Economics* 14(1).
- 2006 Ash M, Badgett MVL. “Separate and Unequal: The Effect of Unequal Access to Employment-Based Health Insurance on Same-Sex and Different-Sex Couples.” *Contemporary Economic Policy* 24(4).
- 2006 Ash M, Brandt S. “Disparities in Asthma Hospitalization in Massachusetts,” *American Journal of Public Health* 96(2).
- 2005 Albelda R, Ash M, Badgett MVL. “Now That We Do: Same-sex couples and Marriage in Massachusetts: A demographic and economic perspective,” *Massachusetts Benchmarks* 7(2).

- 2005 “Disciplinary Unemployment as a Public Good, or the Importance of the Committee to Manage the Common Affairs of the Whole Bourgeoisie,” *Review of Radical Political Economics* 37(4): 471-475.
- 2004 Ash M, Seago JA, “The Effect of Registered Nurses’ Unions on Heart Attack Mortality,” *Industrial and Labor Relations Review* 57(3): 422–442.
- 2004 Ash M, Fetter TR. “Who Lives on the Wrong Side of the Environmental Tracks? Evidence from the EPA’s Risk Screening Environmental Indicators Model,” *Social Science Quarterly* 85(2): 441-462.
- 2004 Zhu A, Ash M, Pollin R. “Stock Market Liquidity and Economic Growth: A Critical Appraisal of the Levine/Zervos Model,” *International Review of Applied Economics* 18(1): 1–8.
- 2002 Seago JA, Ash M, “Registered Nurse Unions and Patient Outcomes,” *Journal of Nursing Administration* 32(3): 143–151.
- 2001 Grumbach K, Ash M, Seago JA, Spetz J, Coffman J. “Measuring Shortages of Hospital Nurses: How Do You Know a Hospital with a Nursing Shortage When You See One?” *Medical Care Research and Review* 58(4): 387–403.
- 2001 Seago JA, Ash M, Grumbach K, Spetz J, Coffman J. “Hospital registered nurse shortage: Environmental, patient and institutional predictors.” *Health Services Research* 36(5): 831–852.

Other Publications

- 2014 Ash M, Seago JA, Spetz J. “What do Health Care Unions do?: A Response to Manthous.” *Medical Care* 2014 Mar 15. [Epub ahead of print].
- 2013 Contributor, “The crazy costs of textbooks: Are there less expensive alternatives for your students?” *NEA Higher Education Advocate*.
- 2013 Pollin R., Ash M. “Debt and Growth: A Response to Reinhart and Rogoff.” *The New York Times*. 29 April.
- 2013 Ash M, Pollin R. “Supplemental Technical Critique of Reinhart and Rogoff, ‘Growth in a Time of Debt.’” *Political Economy Research Institute*. April.
- 2013 Pollin R., Ash M. “Austerity after Reinhart and Rogoff.” *The Financial Times*. 17 April.
- 2013 “What can we learn about class struggle from an empirical regularity? Okun’s Law over the business cycle across regimes” Comment on *The Rising Strength of Management, High Unemployment and Slow Growth: Revisiting Okun’s Law (Michael Reich)* in *Capitalism on Trial: Explorations in the Tradition of Thomas Weisskopf*, Jeannette Wicks-Lim and Robert Pollin, editors.
- 2013 Comment on “Reducing growth to achieve environmental sustainability: the role of work hours” (Knight, Kyle, Eugene A. Rosa, Juliet B. Schor) in *Capitalism on Trial: Explorations in the Tradition of Thomas Weisskopf*, Jeannette Wicks-Lim and Robert Pollin, editors.
- 2013 Ash M, Boyce JK. *The Toxic 100 Air Polluters*. Fifth Edition. <http://www.peri.umass.edu/ctip>. August.
- 2013 Ash M, Boyce JK. *The Toxic 100 Water Polluters*. <http://www.peri.umass.edu/ctip>. May.
- 2013 Lead researcher and contributing author. *A Toxic Flood: Why we need stronger regulations to protect public health from industrial water pollution*. Political Economy Research Institute and Food & Water Watch. <http://www.peri.umass.edu/ctip>. May.
- 2012 Stephen Arons, Ash M, Spetz J. Economic and Legal Issues in End-of-Life Care: An Interview with Ash M and Stephen Arons. *Nursing Economics* 30(3) May–June.
- 2012 Ash M, Boyce JK. *The Toxic 100 Air Polluters*. Fourth edition. <http://www.peri.umass.edu/ctip>.
- 2012 Ash M, Palacio S. “Economic Impact of Investment in Public Higher Education in Massachusetts: Short-Run Employment Stimulus, Long-Run Public Returns.” Report to the Massachusetts Society of Professors, April.

- 2011 Ash M, Boyce JK. “Justice environnementale et performance des entreprises: nouvelles perspectives et nouveaux outils.” (Environmental Justice and Corporate Environmental Performance: New Perspectives and New Tools”) Revue de l’OFCE / Débats et politiques No. 120.
- 2010 Ash M, Boyce JK. *The Toxic 100* Third edition. <http://www.peri.umass.edu/ctip>
- 2010 Garner R, Ash M. “Contemplating the Unusual and Unpredictable.” Review of Nassim Nicholas Taleb, *The Black Swan: The Impact of the Highly Improbable*. (New York: Random House, 2007). *Science and Society*, 74(2): 248–258.
- 2009 Ash M, Boyce JK, Chang G, Pastor M, Scoggins J, Tran J. *Justice in the Air: Tracking Toxic Pollution from America’s Industries and Companies to Our States, Cities, and Neighborhoods*. Political Economy Research Institute (University of Massachusetts Amherst) and Program for Environmental and Regional Equity (University of Southern California).
- 2008 Ash M, Boyce JK. *The Toxic 100* Second edition. <http://www.peri.umass.edu/ctip>
- 2006 “Comment on ‘Some Primitive Robust Tests of Some Primitive Generalizations’” *Post-Autistic Economics Review*, issue no. 36, 24 February 2006, pp. 36–38, <http://www.paecon.net/PAERreview/issue36/Ash36.htm>
- 2004 Ash M, Boyce JK. *The Toxic 100* First edition. <http://www.peri.umass.edu/ctip>
- 2004 Ash M, Badgett MVL, Folbre N, Saunders L, Albelda R. “Same-Sex Couples and Their Children in Massachusetts: A View from Census 2000.” The Institute for Gay and Lesbian Strategic Studies, February.
- 2002 Seago JA, Ash M. Response to Letter to the Editor. *Journal of Nursing Administration*, 32(9): 439.
- 2001 “The Tisza Chemical Spill of January 2000.” chapter in *History in Dispute, Volume 7: Global Water Issues*, Char Miller, Mark Cioc, and Kate Showers, editors (Columbia, SC: Brucoli Clark Layman), pp. 252–255.
- 2000 Pollin R, Brenner M, Ash M, Braunstein E, Epstein G, Heintz J, Ickowitz A, Lim J, Luce S, Peters J. “Economic Analysis of Santa Monica Living Wage Proposal,” Political Economy Research Institute <http://pen1.santa-monica.org/cityclerk/council/pollin.pdf>: 370 pages.
- 1997 Ash M, Sklaroff S. “American Pie Charts.” *Civilization* 4(2): 84–85.
- Working Papers and Articles in Preparation**
- Herndon T, Ash M, Pollin R. “Does High Public Debt Consistently Stifle Economic Growth? A Critique of Reinhart and Rogoff.” PERI Working Paper 322. April 2013.
- “Dimensional Analysis in Economics with Applications in Micro, Macro and ’metrics.” February 2013.
- Ash M, Spetz J, “The Effect of Unions on the Wages of Hospital-Employed RNs from 1983 to 2006,” In preparation for submission to *Industrial and Labor Relations Review*.
- Ash M, Spetz J, Jean Ann Seago, Carolina Herrera, Dennis Keane, Alyssa Schneebaum, “The Effect of Unions on wages, hours, and work intensity: static and dynamic evidence from California, 1996–2007.” In preparation for submission to *Industrial Relations*.
- Spetz J, Ash M, Carolina Herrera, “Do hospital unions improve the quality of care?” In preparation for submission.
- Spetz J, Ash M, Carolina Herrera, “Is nurse union expansion strategic or tactical?” In preparation for submission.
- Invited Presentations, Conferences, Workshops, and Media**
- 2014 Critical Replication for Learning and Research, Quantitative Methods Core Methods Seminar, University of Massachusetts Medical School Department of Quantitative Health Sciences, Worcester, MA. 1 April.

- 2014 Transformational Voices: An Afternoon with Leading Global Thinkers, Josef Korbel School of International Studies, University of Denver, Denver, CO. 6 March.
- 2013 Discussant for “Revisiting Okun’s Law” (Michael Reich). Labor & Employment Relations Association, Allied Social Sciences Association, San Diego, CA. 5 January.
- 2012 Center for Research on Families, Celebrating Ten Years of Family Research, Introduction of Student Family Research Presentation. 29 November.
- 2012 Building Just and Sustainable Communities, a Symposium in Honor of Rep. John W. Olver. Moderator of Panel Session 3: Energy from Renewable Sources. 19 November.
- 2012 Environmental Justice Conference: Honoring SNRE’s Bunyan Bryant. Ann Arbor, Michigan. 4–6 October.
- 2012 WNH Radio Interview on Political Chowder with host Arnie Arneson. 27 September.
- 2012 “Right-to-Know, Imperative to Act.” New Student Orientation, University of Massachusetts Amherst, 31 August.
- 2012 “Economic Impact of Investment in Public Higher Education in Massachusetts: Short-Run Employment Stimulus, Long-Run Public Returns.” Presentation to Joint Committee on Higher Education. Boston, 10 May.
- 2012 “Toward Climate Justice: A Panel on Human Rights, Race and the Environment.” CPPA, the Population and Development Program at Hampshire College, and the Five College Public Policy Initiative, with support from Five Colleges, Inc., and the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation. Political Economy Research Institute, Amherst, 13 March.
- 2012 “Strategy or Tactics? Factors Associated with the Growth of RN Unions.” (with Spetz J, Jean Ann Seago, Carolina Herrera, and Dennis Keane). Labor and Employment Relations Association, Allied Social Sciences Association (ASSA), Chicago, 7 January.
- 2011 “The Practice of Engaged Scholarship.” Invited speaker, sponsored forum of the UMass Faculty Senate Outreach Council. Wednesday 3 November.
- 2011 “The effect of hospital unions on nurse staffing and patient outcomes in California.” iHEA Congress, Toronto, Canada.
- 2010 “Using RSEI to Support Environmental Justice.” U.S. EPA and Environmental Council of the States, Webinar: Using TRI to Support Environmental Justice.
- 2010 21st Century Environmental Information Initiative, OMBWatch, Pocantico, NY, 14–15 January.
- 2009 Statement before the Governor’s Community Forum on Choices and Priorities, Amherst, Massachusetts, May 19.
- 2009 WNUR radio interview on “Justice in the Air” (Ash et al.) with Chuck Mertz, *This is Hell*, 9 May 2009.
- 2009 “Measuring Corporate Environmental Justice Performance,” Environmental Council of the States, Bethesda, MD, March 31.
- 2008 “Measuring Corporate Environmental Justice Performance,” University of Southern California, Los Angeles, August 22.
- 2008 Ash M and Spetz J, “The Effect of Unions on the Wages of Hospital-Employed RNs from 1983 to 2006,” American Society of Health Economists, Durham, NC, June 22.
- 2008 Ash M and Spetz J, “What is the Union Wage Premium for RNs?” AcademyHealth, Washington, DC, June 6.
- 2007 “Reflections on My Fulbright Experience,” University of Debrecen, Hungary, April 20.
- 2007 “Quantitative Studies of Environmental Injustice in the United States,” Mini-Conference on Environmental Justice, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary, March 28.
- 2006 “The Health Care Un-System And the Single-Payer Alternative,” Western Massachusetts Health Care Public Hearing on H.R. 676 *The U.S. National Health Insurance Act (“Expanded and Improved Medicare for All*, Holyoke, MA, October 21.
- 2006 “Political Economy of U.S. Health Care With a Focus on Nursing.” MNA Region 1 Legislative Breakfast, Holyoke, Massachusetts, 22 April.

- 2006 “Inequality, Race, and Mortality in the United States: Geographic and Political Perspectives.” With Dean Robinson. Allied Social Sciences Association, Boston, MA, January
- 2005 “Quantitative Research on Environmental Justice in Central Europe: Prospects and Challenges.” Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management, Washington, DC, November
- 2004 “Environmental Sustainability and Development,” Discussant for three papers. “Egalitarian Development in the Era of Globalization: A Conference in Honor of Professor Keith Griffin.” Political Economy Research Institute, University of Massachusetts Amherst, 23 April.
- 2004 “Environmental Justice: Causes, Consequences, Controversies, and Confidence,” Symposium: *Environmental Justice: Is It Working?*, Albany Law School, Albany, New York, 25 February.
- 2004 WHMP radio interview by Dennis Lee and Chris Collins on “Same-Sex Couples and Their Children in Massachusetts: A View from Census 2000” (Ash, M. V. Lee Badgett, Nancy Folbre, Lisa Saunders, and Randy Albelda). 11 February 2004.
- 2004 WFCR radio interview by Frannie Carr on “Same-Sex Couples and Their Children in Massachusetts: A View from Census 2000” (Ash, M. V. Lee Badgett, Nancy Folbre, Lisa Saunders, and Randy Albelda). 10 February.
- 2004 “Stock Market Liquidity and Economic Growth: A Critical Appraisal of the Levine/Zervos Model,” co-authored with Andong Zhu and Robert Pollin. Presented at the Allied Social Sciences Association annual meeting, San Diego, January.
- 2003 “Separate and Unequal: The Effect of Unequal Access to Employment-Based Health Insurance on Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual People in Couples,” co-authored with M.V. Lee Badgett. Presented at the Association for Public Policy Analysis and Management annual meeting, Washington, D.C., November.
- 2003 “Do Unionized R.N.’s Reduce AMI Mortality?” co-authored with Jean Ann Seago. Presented at Forum on Nursing, Quality of Care and Employment Practices, Public Policy Ph.D. Program and College of Nursing, University of Massachusetts, Boston, October.
- 2003 “Unions, Wages, and Workplace Conditions: New Evidence from the Hospital Industry” co-authored with Jean Ann Seago and Joanne Spetz. Presented at the American Public Health Association annual meeting, San Francisco, November.
- 2003 “Is Your Backyard a Toxic Dump?” Presented at the 2003 Summer Institute, Center for Popular Economics, Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, August.
- 2003 “Who Lives on the Wrong Side of the Environmental Tracks?” co-authored with T. Robert Fetter. Presented at the U.S. Society for Ecological Economics biennial meeting, Albany, May.
- 2002 “Environmental Justice and Food Systems,” Presented at the 2002 Summer Institute, Center for Popular Economics, Smith College, Northampton, Massachusetts, July.
- 2002 “Do Unionized R.N.’s Reduce AMI Mortality?” co-authored with Jean Ann Seago. Presented at the International Association for Feminist Economics, Los Angeles, July.
- 2002 “Who lives on the wrong side of the environmental tracks?” co-authored with T. Robert Fetter. Presented at the Association of Environmental and Resource Economists quadrennial meeting, Monterey, California, June.
- 2002 Discussant, “Pollution Abatement Investment When Firms Lobby Against Environmental Regulation,” H. Farzin and J. Zhao, Association of Environmental and Resource Economists quadrennial meeting, Monterey, California, June.
- 2002 R.N. Unions and Patient Outcomes, co-authored with Jean Ann Seago. Poster session at American Nurses Association annual convention, Philadelphia, June.
- 1999 Invited participant, Conference on Health and Economic Development, Fogarty International Center, National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland, November.
- 1999 “Program Evaluation Methods.” Presented in Sociology 691: Policy Methods, University of Massachusetts Amherst, October.

- 1999 “The Effect of HMO’s on the Earnings and Employment of Nurses.” Presented at the Western Economic Association annual meeting, San Diego, July.
- 1999 “Do HMO’s Use Nurses Differently, or Just Less? Evidence from Workers and Hospitals.” Presented in seminars at University of California at Irvine, Case Western Reserve University, and University of Massachusetts Amherst.

External Grants Awarded

- 2011 “Collaborative Research on the Correlates and Consequences of Risks from Airborne Toxics: Dynamic Spatial Analysis.” National Science Foundation (Two-year project, total budget \$338,548; UMass budget \$90,370). Principal Investigator Paul Mohai, University of Michigan; Ash is a Co-PI.
- 2010 “Economic Impact of Spending on Public Higher Education in Massachusetts.” Ash was Principal Investigator on research grant from the Massachusetts Society of Professors. \$15,000.
- 2010 “An assessment methodology for differential impact on environmental justice populations of releases of industrial toxics to water in Massachusetts.” Ash was Principal Investigator on U.S. Geological Survey’s Water Resources Annual Institute Program for Fiscal Year 2010. \$5,000.
- 2010 “Toxic Air Pollution, Infant Health, and Disparities by Race and Class” Ash was Principal Investigator on a TeraGrid Allocation.
- 2007 “Hospital Unions, Staffing, Wages, and Patient Safety,” Principal Investigator Spetz J, UCSF, National Institutes of Health (NIH) R01. Ash was a sub-contractor with a three-year budget of \$144,256.
- 2002 “Health Insurance Inequality for Gay, Lesbian, and Bisexual People.” (with M.V. Lee Badgett) Ash M was Principal Investigator for the Wayne F. Placek Award, American Psychological Foundation, \$35,700.

Service

Referee or Reviewer

American Economic Review

Feminist Economics

Social Science and Medicine

The Gerontologist

Economics and Human Biology

Ecological Economics

Health Affairs

Industrial Relations

Population and Environment

Journal of Health Organization and Management

Journal of Policy Analysis and Management

Social Forces

Social Problems

Social Science Quarterly

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, ad hoc reviewer

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, INQRI reviewer, 2008,09,11,12

National Institutes of Health, ad hoc reviewer, 2009

United States Department of Agriculture

Blackwell Publishing

University of Massachusetts Press

Rowman & Littlefield

Thomson Learning

University Service

- 2012–13 Member, Review Committee for Dean, School of Public Health and Health Sciences

2007–10 Member, Budget Subcommittee of Faculty Senate Council on Program and Budget
2004–06 Chair, Budget Subcommittee of Faculty Senate Council on Program and Budget
2003–08 Member, University of Massachusetts Nanotechnology Task Force
2003– Member, University of Massachusetts IT Minor Advisory Board

College Service

2012–13 Acting Director, Social Thought and Political Economy
2010 Member, CSBS Program Innovation Council
2009,10,12 Bluestein Scholarship Committee
2009–10 Member, Search Committee, Department of Anthropology/Center for Heritage & Society
2009–10 Member, Steering Committee, Center for Heritage & Society
2009–10 Member, CSBS Instructional Quality Council
2007–09 Member, CSBS Research Committee
2003–11 Co-director, CSBS Open-Source Lab

Center for Public Policy & Administration Service

2012–13 Member, Online Programs Committee
2009–10 Member, Curriculum Committee
2007–08 Member, Ad hoc committee on capacity
2007–09 Member, Ad hoc committee on inequality and social inclusion
2006 Member, Personnel Committee
2004–05 Chair, Curriculum and Student Affairs Committee
2003–04 Chair, Colloquium Series
2002–03 Chair, Curriculum and Student Affairs Committee
2001–02 Chair, Committee for Speakers' Series on Inequality
2000– Member, Faculty Meeting (formerly Executive Committee)
2000–02 Member, Committee for Speakers' Series on Inequality
2000–01 Member, Planning Committee for "Policy Partnerships: Opportunities and Dilemmas for Cities and Universities"
2000–01 Member, Tenure Subcommittee of the Executive Committee
1999–00 Member, Curriculum Committee

Departmental Service

2011– Chair
2009–11 Associate Chair
2009–10 Member, Executive Committee
2009–11 Director of online education
2008–09 Member, Search Committee; and 2003–2004.
2007–08 Member, Executive Committee
2006 Member, Merit Committee 2004–2005 and 2005–2006
2006– Co-Director, Corporate Toxics Information Project
2000– Co-Sponsor, Environmental Working Group
2001–03 Member, Undergraduate Committee
1999–06 Chair, Computer Committee

Professional Service and Affiliations

2005–09 Board member, Center for Environmental Policy and Law, Central European University, Budapest, Hungary
Staff Economist, Center for Popular Economics
American Economic Association
Union for Radical Political Economics
Association of Environmental and Resource Economists
International Association for Feminist Economics

Other Service

2008–2011 Member, Town of Amherst Representative Town Meeting
2007–2011 Executive Board, MTA/MSP (faculty union)
2005–2007 Officer, MTA/MSP